



February 1, 2019

Members of the Board Academic Matters Committee

Shirley Portwood, Chair
Tom Britton
J. Phil Gilbert
Brione Lockett
Joel Sambursky

Dear Committee Members:

The Academic Matters Committee will meet on Thursday, February 14, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. in the Meridian Ballroom located on the first floor of Morris University Center at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. The agenda; minutes from the December 13, 2018, meeting; and electronic copies of the Athletic Reports can be viewed through the Board's portal system.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Brad Colwell
Vice President for Student and Academic Affairs

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Attachment

c: Marsha Ryan
Amy Sholar
Molly Smith
Randal Thomas
J. Kevin Dorsey

John M. Dunn
Randall G. Pembroke
Jerry Kruse
Other Interested Parties

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AGENDA

MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACADEMIC MATTERS COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 14, 2019
9:00 a.m.

Meridian Ballroom
Delyte W. Morris University Center
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

1. Announcements
2. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting December 13, 2018
3. Informational Report: *Student-Athlete Report: 2017-2018*

Presenters: Brad Hewitt, Director of Athletics, SIUE

Jerry Kill, Acting Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, SIUC
4. Update on Reorganization of Academic Units, SIUC
5. Approval of the Reorganization of Reporting Lines for the SIU School of Medicine and the SIU School of Law, (Board Agenda Item M) (This item to be discussed jointly with the Finance Committee and Architecture and Design Committee)
6. Presentation: *From Neurons to Brain and Behavior*

Presenters: Faith Liebl, Associate Professor, Biological Sciences

Ken Witt, Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences

Ben Harsin, Biological Science, Senior

Austin House, School of Pharmacy, Master's Student

Chris Reeb, School of Pharmacy, Master's Student
7. Other Business
8. Adjournment

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Minutes of the Academic Matters Committee Meeting

December 13, 2018

The Academic Matters Committee met at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, December 13, 2018, in Ballroom B of the Student Center at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Present were: Tom Britton (Chair Pro Tem), J. Phil Gilbert, Brione Lockett, and Joel Sambursky. Chair Shirley Portwood was absent. Other Board members present were: Marsha Ryan, Amy Sholar, and Randal Thomas. Molly Smith was absent. Executive Officers present were: Interim President J. Kevin Dorsey; Senior Vice President Duane Stucky; Vice President Brad Colwell; Chancellor Randall Pembroke, SIUE; and Dean and Provost Jerry Kruse, SIU School of Medicine.

Announcements

Dr. Colwell did not have any announcements:

Approval of the Minutes of the September 13, 2018, Meeting

Motion was made by Trustee Gilbert to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2018, meeting. The motion was duly seconded by Student Trustee Lockett and passed by the Committee.

Informational Report: *Performance Report*

Dr. Colwell provided a brief overview of the FY18 Performance Report highlighting enrollment, affordability, delivery format of academic programs, and graduation rates for the SIU system.

Trustee Britton asked if there was a decline in enrollment at both SIUC and SIUE. Dr. Colwell answered that he was reporting on combined system numbers, and there could have been a differentiation on campus. An increase on one campus could be offset by a decrease or vice versa, but as a system the overall headcount decreased. The percentages may have increased but that was because of an overall decline in enrollment.

Approval of Administrative Reorganization of Academic Units and the Use of the Reasonable and Moderate Extension Process of the Illinois Board of Higher Education, SIUC (Board Item L)

Dr. Colwell provided a brief overview of Board Item L.

Dr. Dorsey commented that the resolution, as it reads, delegates him with the power to make decisions on the RMEs, and the decisions should be made under the following guided principles: (1) To what extent do RME's benefit students and provide opportunities they would not otherwise have? (2) Do they make the best use of resources? (3) Do the RME's create opportunities for faculty that did not exist previously? (4) Do the RME's foster and enhance SIU Carbondale as a research institution? (5) Do the RME's help to spotlight the academic programs in support of ongoing recruitment efforts?

Trustee Britton said he would like to add Dr. Dorsey's comments as an amendment to the Board item. Trustee Gilbert was in agreement to adding.

Student Trustee Lockett asked, "What happens to the departments that are not in support of the reorganization?" Dr. Komarraju responded it is a work in progress and they continue to engage the departments into conversation and collaboration to address concerns and try to resolve any issues so there can be movement forward.

Trustees Joel Sambursky made a motion to move Item L forward. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee Gilbert. Board Item L was passed by the Committee as amended by Dr. Dorsey's recommendations.

Recommendation for Honorary Degree, SIUE, [Dr. Earl Lazzerson] (Board Agenda Item EE)

Dr. Randy Pembroke provided a brief overview of the Honorary Degree recommendation with an amendment that the degree not be awarded until May 2019.

Recommendation for Honorary Degree, SIUC, [Dr. Thanu Kulachol] (Board Agenda Item Z)

Recommendation for Honorary Degree, SIUC, [Ms. Melissa McCarthy] (Board Agenda Item AA)

Recommendation for Honorary Degree, SIUC, [Mr. Charles Neblett] (Board Agenda Item BB)

Recommendation for Distinguished Service Award, SIUC, [Mr. Jim Blair and Mrs. Vicki Blair] (Board Agenda Item CC)

Recommendation for Distinguished Service Award, SIUC, [Mr. Richard Blaudow] (Board Agenda Item DD)

Dr. Dorsey gave a brief overview of the Honorary Degree and Distinguished Service Award recommendations. Joel Sambursky made a motion to approve. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee Gilbert and approved by the Committee.

Presentation: SIU ROBOTICS TEAM

Dr. Colwell introduced Dr. Bruce DeRuntz and turned the floor over to him for the presentation overview.

Dr. DeRuntz thanked the Board for the opportunity to present and had the students introduce themselves. The students then provided information about the Robotics Team, which currently consists of 40 members who are from various campus-wide majors. They said that before building a robot they must build a team. Functioning as a team they focus on education, technical skills and leadership skills to win competitions. They have consistently finished first or second at the ATMAE National Robotics and the Midwestern Robotics Design Competitions. They demonstrated some of their winning robot designs and took questions from the Board.

Dr. Britton recognized that the program is student motivated and operated for learning opportunities. It has faculty sponsorship and involvement for leadership. Lastly, it has industry partnerships that help fund the projects--a perfect model.

Dr. DeRuntz added a final note, that universities such as Purdue and Iowa State may have 30-50 students, but one robot. SIUC's team is sponsoring seven to eight robots so five to six students are in charge of building a robot. The program is expanding to ensure every student has a valuable part and stays engaged.

Other Business

Having no further business before it, the Academic Matters Committee adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

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