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| **Minutes**  **The University of Toledo**  **88th Meeting of the Board of Trustees** Monday, February 15, 2016 **Driscoll Alumni Center, Schmakel Room**  **1:00 p.m.** | | |
| The eighty-eighth meeting of The University of Toledo Board of Trustees was held on Monday, February 15, 2016, at the Driscoll Alumni Center in the Schmakel conference room. Chair Sharon Speyer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Ms. Joan Stasa recorded the minutes. | **CALL TO ORDER** | |
| The following Board of Trustees members were in attendance:  Daniel D. Arendt, Student Trustee  Steven M. Cavanaugh  Jeffrey C. Cole  Anna L. Crisp, Student Trustee  S. Amjad Hussain  Mary Ellen Pisanelli  Sharon Speyer  Gary P. Thieman  Joseph H. Zerbey, IV  A quorum of the Board was constituted.  The following individuals were also in attendance:  John Barrett, Interim Provost/Executive VP Academic Affairs  Frank Calzonetti, VP Government Relations  Christopher Cooper, Sr. VP Clinical Affairs/Dean College of Medicine and Life  Sciences  Meghan Cunningham, Media Relations Assistant Director  David Cutri, Director Internal Audit/Chief Compliance Officer  Bryan Dadey, Associate VP Finance  Sharon Gaber, UT President  Christopher Ingersoll, Professor/Dean College of Health Sciences  Virginia Keil, Interim Dean Judith Herb College of Education  Kristen Keith, Associate Professor Economics/Faculty Senate President  Lawrence Kelley, Interim Sr. VP Finance and Administration  Patricia Komuniecki, Dean College of Graduate Studies  Brenda Lee, UT Foundation President  Chuck Lehnert, VP Corporate Relations  Vanessa McCray, Reporter for *The Blade*  Samuel McCrimmon, VP Advancement  Willie Mckether, Associate Professor/Associate Dean College of Language,  Literature and Social Sciences/Special Assistant to the President for Diversity  William Messer, Jr., VP Research  David Morlock, CEO UTMC  Pete Papadimos, VP/General Counsel  Kaye Patten, Sr. VP for Student Affairs  Matthew Schroeder, Chief of Staff President’s Office  Joan Stasa, Secretary Board of Trustees  Jovita Thomas-Williams, VP Human Resources and Talent Development/Chief  HR Officer  Christopher Thompson, UT Treasurer | **ATTENDANCE** |
| Chair Speyer requested a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the November 16, 2015 and December 19, 2015 Board meeting and approve them as written. A motion was received from Trustee Pisanelli and seconded by Trustee Thieman. The meeting minutes were approved by the full Board. | **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES** | |
| Chair Speyer requested a motion for approval of the Consent Agenda items, which was received by Trustee Hussain, seconded by Trustee Zerbey, and approved by the Board. | **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA** | |
| Dr. Gaber shared her Dashboard Report for this meeting with the Trustees (Attachment 1).  On February 6, UT hosted the third annual Scholarship Day. This event is designed to bring high ability, direct from high school students to campus, to not only compete for scholarships, but to interact with the faculty, staff, and students in their admitted college along with opportunities to see academic facilities up close. During the first year of the program, UT attracted 659 DHS students of which 76% enrolled at UT for fall 2014.  Last year, UT attracted 860 DHS students of which 72% enrolled fall of 2015.  This year, we attracted 876 DHS students. Minimum criteria for admitted DHS students to attend Scholarship Day was a 3.3 high school GPA and a 23 ACT score. The College of Engineering also conducted their second Scholarship Day on February 13 with an estimated 270 students in attendance.  The Higher Learning Commission site team will be on campus April 10–13.  In advance of their visit the Board will be provided the assurance argument along with evidence files.  HLC reviewers will meet with members of the Board during the site visit.  Dr. Gaber reported that eight focus group sessions have been held for conversations about diversity with over 300 participants in attendance. Input from these sessions will assist with development of a strategic Diversity Plan for UT. A campus-wide survey is also being developed for those not able to attend the focus group sessions to gather more feedback and information. This survey will be sent out later this month.  The Provost’s Office and Faculty Senate are working in collaboration on a curriculum review by college of all courses both undergraduate and graduate.  Faculty are being asked to review courses for appropriate co- and pre- requisites, expand course descriptions to better inform our students of course content and review the last time the course was offered.  All modifications are being routed through normal curricular channels.  UT is partnering with the State of Ohio on an affordability and efficiency initiative which examines opportunities to continue to provide our students with a high-quality education at a cost that doesn’t drive them into crippling debt.  Title IX compliance efforts will be moving to the Internal Audit and Compliance Department area effective March 1, which was previously under the Human Resources and Talent Development area.  The University of Toledo was awarded a $214,000 grant from the Ohio Attorney General’s Office to help victims of sexual violence on campus.  The University will use these monies to create the Center for Student Advocacy and Wellness.  UT student athletes averaged a combined grade point average of 3.216 for the fall semester, the highest ever for this period of time and the third best overall.  This is the 14th consecutive semester in which UT’s student athletes have earned a combined GPA of 3.1 or higher. | **PRESIDENT’S REPORT** | |
| Board of Trustees Chair Speyer stated that it is very clear that a lot is going on. She thanked Dr. Gaber for her report. Ms. Speyer encouraged the Trustees, after they have had time to review the Dashboard Report, to let her know if they would like any other information included.  Chair Speyer reported that it is incumbent upon the Board to submit the Affordability and Efficiency Report by August 1. She thanked those involved with preparing the report which the Board will review in the near future.  Dr. Gaber previously reported that she appointed Dr. Willie Mckether as Special Assistant to the President with a primary focus on developing a diversity plan. Ms. Speyer introduced Dr. Mckether to the Trustees at the meeting and mentioned that he will be making a presentation at the next Trusteeship and Governance Committee meeting with respect to this endeavor.  Chair Speyer announced that she appointed Trustee Gary Thieman to the Ad Hoc Diversity Plan Advisory Committee. She thanked Dr. Mckether and Mr. Thieman, as well as the members of the Ad Hoc Committee, for making this very important commitment. | **CHAIR’S REPORT** | |
| Mr. John Barrett was invited to present information about the honorary degree nomination for Dr. Rush Holt. Mr. Barrett reported that the Academic Honors Committee has approved the nomination of Dr. Holt for an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree, *honoris causa.* This degree will be awarded at the morning Commencement ceremony on May 7, where Dr. Holt has been invited by Dr. Gaber to be the speaker. Over Dr. Holt’s long career, he has held positons as a teacher, scientist, administrator, and policymaker. Much information was provided to the Trustees about Dr. Holt’s distinguished career over the past 40 years, his education and accomplishments. After Mr. Barrett’s presentation, Chair Speyer requested a motion for approval of Dr. Holt’s honorary degree. A motion was received by Trustee Zerbey, seconded by Trustee Thieman and approved by the Board. | **ACADEMIC**  **AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** | |
| Clinical Affairs Committee Chair Trustee Thieman presented the meeting minutes for the November 2015, December 2015, and January 2016 meetings. Trustee Speyer requested a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented. A motion was received from Trustee Hussain, seconded by Trustee Cole, and approved by all Trustees attending the meeting. | **CLINICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** | |
| Committee Chair Zerbey invited Mr. Bryan Dadey to present information to the Board about proposed housing rates for FY17. Mr. Dadey stated that, typically, housing rates go before the Board for approval as part of the budget process at the June Board meeting. He then presented the following goals that were established when determining room rates for FY17.  Establish housing rates earlier to communicate to prospective students (cost of attendance) and current residents (renewals).  Keep housing prices competitive and affordable, but also cover increases in operating expenses. UT housing prices are above the mean (Ohio peers), but UT has lower tuition and meal plans.  Consistent pricing with Honors Academic Village (a 2% rate increase was approved by the Board in December for the HAV).  After a brief discussion, Chair Speyer requested a motion to approve the 2% housing rate increase, which was received by Trustee Pisanelli, seconded by Trustee Pisanelli and approved by the Board. | **FINANCE**  **AND AUDIT**  **COMMITTEE** | |
| Ms. Jovita Thomas-Williams provided the Trustees with a summary of the Personnel Action Report for today’s meeting and requested the Board’s approval. Chair Speyer requested a motion for approval of the report, which was received by Trustee Thieman, seconded by Trustee Cavanaugh, and approved by the Board. | **TRUSTEESHIP AND GOVERNANCE**  **COMMITTEE** | |
| With no further business before the Board, Trustee Speyer adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m. | **ADJOURNMENT** | |