

**DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**

Minutes

Meeting date: June 3, 2024

Members in attendance: Dr. Dan Ennis, Dr. Vicki Bingham, Dr. Edwin Craft, Ms. Lisa Giger, Dr. Ellen Green, Dr. Leslie Griffin, Ms. Amber Hays, Dr. Tomeka Harbin, Mr. Mike Kinnison, Dr. Eddie Lovin, Dr. Christy Riddle, Ms. Fawn Ussery, Ms. Ashley Tanksley, Mr. Shaun Kelly, Dr. Merideth Van Namen, and Mr. Larry Wakefield (recorder – Ms. Claire Cole)

Members not in attendance: Mr. David Gladden and Ms. Hayden Kirkhart

Guests: None

Call to Order: A regular meeting of the University Leadership Council was held in Room 302A in the H. L. Nowell Union on June 3, 2024. The meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. with Dr. Lovin presiding.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On motion by Ms. Giger and seconded by Ms. Hays, all University Leadership Council Members present and participating voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the University Leadership Council Meeting, as amended, held on April 22, 2024.

BUSINESS

Action

Proposed Mission Statement and Corresponding Goals..... Dr. Van Namen

On behalf of the Strategic Planning Committee, Dr. Van Namen brought the goals created by the Committee corresponding to the proposed mission statement for approval. Members suggested removing “and fostering dynamic” from the third goal.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Van Namen to approve the corresponding goals as amended in the proposed mission statement and seconded by Mr. Kelly. The motion was approved.

Americans with Disabilities policy (revised – first reading) Dr. Lovin

Dr. Lovin brought the revised Americans with Disabilities policy to the University Leadership Council for a first reading.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Lovin to approve the revised Americans with Disabilities policy for a first reading and seconded by Dr. Bingham. The motion was approved.

Vapor and Tobacco Use on Campus policy (revised – first reading) Dr. Lovin

Dr. Lovin brought the revised Vapor and Tobacco Use on Campus policy to the University Leadership Council for a first reading. Members discussed issues with enforcement on campus, and the policy was

pulled for further discussion and edits.

Usage of Hill Apartments policy (deletion – first reading) Dr. Lovin

Dr. Lovin brought the Usage of Hill Apartments policy to the University Leadership Council for deletion. The deletion of the policy corresponds to the closing of Hill Apartments for use. The Hill Apartments are closing due to their condition and the cost to maintain. Beginning in Fall 2024, no new residents will be allowed to live there; however, five families, two graduate assistants, and three undergraduate students will be living in Hill Apartments in Fall 2024. All assignments will be consolidated to the least number of units. The sunsetting of the apartments does not include the units utilized by the Commercial Aviation Department.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Lovin to approve the deletion of the Usage of Hill Apartments policy and seconded by Dr. Bingham. The motion was approved.

Definition of a Student policy (new – first reading)..... Dr. Lovin

Dr. Lovin brought the new Definition of a Student policy to the University Leadership Council for a first reading. This policy defines words used throughout other policies, procedures, and codes.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Lovin to approve the new Definition of a Student policy for a first reading and seconded by Dr. Craft. The motion was approved.

Discussion

University Leadership Council Appendix Dr. Lovin

Dr. Lovin led University Leadership Council members in a discussion of appendix items. Members provided updates on different items, and other items were deleted.

Additional information

- None

NEXT MEETING:

- Next Meeting – Monday, June 17, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.