



Board of Trustees
Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting
June 24, 2021
Roaden University Center, Room 282

MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee met on June 24, 2021, in Roaden University Center, Room 282. Chair Rose called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

Chair Rose asked Lee Wray, Secretary, to call the roll. The following members were present:

- Daniel Hines
- Fred Lowery
- Barry Wilmore
- Rhedona Rose

Tennessee Tech faculty, staff, and members of the public were also in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Rose asked if there were any recommendations or changes to the minutes. With no recommendations or changes, Trustee Wilmore moved to approve the minutes from March 11, 2021. Trustee Lowery seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – ACADEMIC PROGRAM UPDATES

Provost Bruce provided updates on all academic program changes, as well as the THEC Academic Program Inventory for Tennessee Tech, sharing how they link to the strategic plan.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – LETTER OF NOTIFICATION FOR A PH.D. IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Provost Bruce presented the Letter of Notification (LON) for a new Ph.D. in Higher Education program. Provost Bruce stated that the LON developed by the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the College of Education and that it is designed for students pursuing careers as

academic faculty, administrators, policy analysts, and educational researchers. Trustee Wilmore moved that the Letter of Notification be approved for submission to the Tennessee Higher Education Commission. Trustee Lowery seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – DIVERSITY AND DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Rob Owens discussed his progress in the first three months as Chief Diversity Officer, highlighting some of the positive actions that have taken place university-wide relative to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. He also shared the current status of the diversity scholarship effort and what the next steps will be relative to diversity fundraising efforts.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – ATHLETICS UPDATE

Athletics Director Wilson shared a review of the 2020-21 year in athletics, including the impact of COVID-19, outcome of teams' seasons, and academic success of our student athletes.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

Dr. Johnson shared enrollment projections, which indicated an enrollment very close to last fall, stating that he anticipates graduate enrollment will increase approximately 10% and undergraduate enrollment will slightly decrease.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – TTU POLICY 242, INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

Provost Bruce stated that revisions to Policy 242 were made to clarify that information would be maintained on the International Education Office website and to update the role of the individual who had authority to interpret the policy. Trustee Wilmore moved to send TTU Policy 242, International Undergraduate Admissions, as presented, to the Board for approval and to be placed on the Board's regular agenda. Trustee Lowery seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – TTU POLICY 244, INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT READMISSIONS

Provost Bruce stated that revisions to this policy were made to clarify that information would be maintained on the International Education Office website and to update the role of the individual who had authority to interpret the policy. Trustee Lowery moved to send TTU Policy 244, International Undergraduate Student Readmissions, as presented, to the Board for approval and to be placed on the Board's regular agenda. Trustee Wilmore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – OTHER BUSINESS

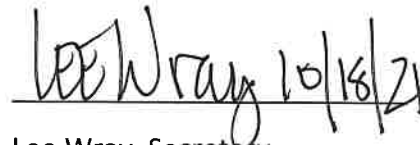
There was no other business.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

Approved,

Handwritten signature of Lee Wray with the date 10/18/21 written to the right of the signature.

Lee Wray, Secretary