COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS
Wednesday, November 16, 2016

SUBJECT: ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF MAY 17, 2016 MINUTES

PROPOSED COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
Initiate roll call to document member participation, ensure quorum, and approve the Minutes of May 17, 2016 meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Mr. Daniel Cane, Chair
Dr. Michael Dennis, Vice-Chair
Mr. Anthony Barbar (ex officio)
Dr. Christopher Beetle
Mr. Michael Cairo
Mr. Shaun Davis
Dr. Malcolm Dorman
Dr. Jeffrey Feingold

PARTICIPATING BOT MEMBERS
Ms. Mary Beth McDonald
Mr. Abdol Moabery
Mr. Robert Rubin
Mr. Robert Stilley
Mr. Thomas Workman
Committee on Academic and Student Affairs
Meeting Minutes – May 17, 2016

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs Chair Daniel Cane called the meeting to order and requested a roll call to confirm a quorum. In addition to Vice Chair Trustee Michael Dennis, the following committee members were present: Trustee Anthony Barbar (ex-officio), Trustee Christopher Beetle, Trustee Michael Cairo, Trustee Shaun Davis, Trustee Michael Dennis, and Trustee Malcolm Dorman. Also present was Trustee Jeffrey Feingold, Trustee Mary Beth McDonald, Trustee Abdol Moabery, Trustee Robert Rubin, Trustee Robert Stilley, and Trustee Thomas Workman.

**AS: A-M Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the March 15, 2016 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made to approve the minutes as distributed. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**AS: A-1. Request for Approval of Degree Termination – Master of Science in Music Business Administration – CIP – 50.1003**

Dr. Russ Ivy presents to the Board several program changes for approval. Most of the changes have been recommended by BOG staff and CAVP working group, among others. Dr. Ivy gives a broad overview of the program changes and will go into detail if any questions. Based off recommendations, Dr. Ivy mentions there are five basic things to do. We are terminating two programs based on low enrollment. There are two roll-up programs that are being recommended as well. Also, we are requesting an additional degree within a program at the Honors College.

Dr. Ivy goes on to explain the two programs to be terminated due to continuous low enrollment; MA in Teaching in English and MS in Music Business Admin. The two roll up programs, Dr. Ivy explains, take some independent programs and combine into a single program. This has been recommended for two new programs; the MS in Geoscience, which is taking the existing programs in Geography and Geology and merging them. The second new program is the MA in Foreign Language, rolling up the foreign languages. The last request is the Honors College change, which is keeping the BA in Liberal Arts and Sciences, and adding a BS in Liberal Arts and Sciences. Dr. Ivy concludes his request and answers any questions the Board has to satisfaction.

A motion is made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

**AS: A-2. Request for Approval of Degree Terminations:**
a) MA/MAT in French – CIP 16.0901
b) MA/MAT in Spanish – CIP 16.0905
c) MA in Comparative Literature – 16.0102
d) MA in Linguistics – 16.0102

A motion was made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.


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AS: A-4. Request for Approval of Degree Terminations
   a) MA in Geography – CIP 45.0701
   b) MS in Geology – CIP 40.0601

A motion was made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

AS: A-5. Request for Approval of New Academic Program – Master of Science in Geoscience – CIP 40.0699

A motion was made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

AS: A-6. Request for Approval of New Academic Program – Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts and Sciences – CIP 24.0101

A motion was made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.


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AS: A-8. Request for Approval of Honorary Doctorate for Madam Zainab Hawa Bangura

Provost Perry presents to the Board a request for approval to confer an Honorary Doctorate Degree to Madam Zainab Hawa Bangura. He gives a description on Madam Bangura’s accomplishments to the Board. Dr. Perry mentions this nomination comes with high recommendation from the UFS Honors and Awards committee along with the Provost and also the President. After a long discussion between the Provost and the Board, Provost Perry agrees to take their comments into consideration. Provost Perry encourages the Board to submit their nominations to him and commits to working with the Board on their suggestions. Chairman Cane asks for a motion to approve. A motion is made and seconded. A roll call vote is held. There are five Trustees who approve the request and three Trustees who oppose the request. The motion passes.
AS: I-1. Provost’s Update

Provost Perry gives an update to the Board. Provost Perry is pleased to report we have 3,500 deposits from the incoming freshmen class; we’re hoping to see an 81%-84% yield rate. The average GPA of those students is about 4.0 and ACT score of about 24.

Provost Perry gives an update on the Dean searches. We have found a new dean for the Honors College, Dr. Ellen Goldey. She will be joining us August 1st. She is a biologist with a focus in neurotoxicology. Her husband, a very well-known archaeologist, Dr. Byron McCain, will be joining us as well. The Dean of Science search is going well. We have four candidates that have been put forward by the search committee. The Dean of Medicine search is well underway. All searches have been supported by Witt-Kieffer. Interim Dean, Dr. Art Ross, is chairing the Medicine search committee and they will be doing airport interviews next week.

Provost Perry concludes his update. No questions were asked at this time.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned.