



Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Meeting Minutes, June 3, 2015

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee (ASAC) of the Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon (Board) met in the Ford Alumni Center on the UO Campus on June 3, 2015. Below is a summary of the committee discussions and actions. A recording of the committee meeting is available.

Committee Membership

Rudy Chapa	X
Scott Coltrane	X
Ann Curry	NP
Allyn Ford	X
Helena Schlegel	X
Mary Wilcox	X
Kurt Willcox	X

Opening. The meeting was called to order at 12:34 pm by Committee Chair Mary Wilcox. Roll call was taken and a quorum verified. Chair Wilcox provided a brief overview of the agenda. The committee approved the minutes from the March and May 2015 committee meetings.

Public Comment. Chair Wilcox reviewed the Board's public comment procedures and invited individuals who signed up to make comments. Following is a list of individuals who spoke and the topic(s) of their remarks. Specific comments are available via audio recording.

- *John Bonine – Professor, School of Law* – student conduct code and the process of the involvement of the Senate in conduct code revisions. Discussion on Retention and Delegation of Authority as it related to the student conduct code.
- *Ibrahim Gassama – Professor, School of Law* – student conduct code and the section concerning legal representation for victims of sexual assault.

Proposed amendments to the Student Conduct Code. Chair Wilcox introduced Robin Holmes, Vice-President for Student Life. Holmes discussed the changes the Board had previously approved as temporary and proposed that they be adopted as permanent changes. Holmes discussed the meetings and forums held to solicit feedback on the temporary changes and the proposed permanent changes. Trustee Helena Schlegel raised her concerns with the process and changes to the code. She moved to amend Section VI-(h) to reflect certain sanctions that are not allowed in cases involving sexual misconduct.

ACTION: The Committee then took action to consider Trustee Schlegel's motion to amend Section VI-(h) of the Resolution: Adoption of Proposed Changes to Student Conduct Code (II). Voice vote recorded – Ayes carried (no dissention).

Sandy Weintraub, Director of Student Conduct and Community Standards, spoke to the process of the proposed amendments to the conduct code and addressed concerns about student involvement and the Student Conduct Committee in the process. Trustee Connie Ballmer and Vice-Chair Ginevra Ralph spoke to the complexity and legalese of the code and the expectation of students and parents to review and

understand it. Trustee Kurt Willcox raised his concerns with the proposed amendments. He asked for clarification on a few points, which were addressed by Holmes and Doug Park, Interim General Counsel.

ACTION: The Committee then took action to consider the Resolution: Adoption of Proposed Changes to Student Conduct Code (I) as a seconded motion to the Board. The Motion carried 5-1.

ACTION: The Committee then took action to consider the Resolution: Adoption of Proposed Changes to Student Conduct Code (II), as amended by Trustee Schlegel, as a seconded motion to the Board. The Motion carried 4-2.

2015 Student Statistics. Roger Thompson, Vice President for Enrollment Management provided an update of the 2015 incoming class in terms of diversity and preparedness and how the statistics look outstanding. Thompson reported that this incoming class would set a new record for the university for the most Pathway students ever enrolled. He also reported that 55% of the incoming class are Oregonians. Thompson spoke to the success of the 2015 incoming class and how it stemmed back to the initiatives of his office since 2013. Thompson also discussed the Stamps Scholarship program and spoke about each of the Stamps Scholars in the incoming class.

Update and discussion of UO's Portland presence and initiatives. Acting Provost Frances Bronet discussed the presence of UO in Portland, the programs that are currently offered and potential new programs. Bronet spoke to potential relationships and partnerships in Portland, like PSU, OHSU and the HECC. She discussed the importance of the Portland presence being incorporated in the strategic plan. Bronet outlined the income and revenue for the presence in Portland. She also briefly reported on program operation revenue and expenses. Trustee Allyn Ford raised a question about support from the HECC in these initiatives. Bronet discussed how interesting it will be when HECC manifests its vision for the State academically and the importance of incentives for pushing that vision forward.

Update on and discussion of UO's Clusters of Excellence initiative. Interim President Scott Coltrane updated the committee on two Clusters of Excellence that were announced for internally funding and briefly described each: The Faculty Cluster in Chemistry and Physics to Amplify Excellence in Energy and Sustainable Materials and The Center for Genome Function. Coltrane reported that of the ten cluster initiatives, three have been funded. Chair Wilcox inquired about the process for determining which clusters would be funded. Coltrane explained that internal matrices and rankings are used to determine which ones could boost external rankings.

Program Approvals (Location change and new programs). Acting Provost Frances Bronet discussed the brief history behind Historic Preservation and the value in moving its Master of Science program to Portland. She spoke to the competition component with peer universities and ongoing conversations toward collaboration. Chair Wilcox explained to the committee that these approvals would not be referred to the full board once approved but would instead go the HECC.

ACTION: The Committee then took action to consider the Resolution: Program Location Change Approval for Master of Science in Historic Preservation. The resolution passed by voice vote. The ayes carried without dissention.

Bronet then introduced the three new proposed programs in Prevention Science: a Master of Education, Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in Prevention and Science Promotion. Bronet introduced Professor, Leslie Leve, Family and Human Services and the Prevention Science Institute. Leve outlined the new programs, the course of study and research. She further spoke to the growing need for research in these key areas. Leve pointed out that these new programs are a part of the cluster that was funded for health

promotion, obesity prevention and human development. Board Chair Chuck Lillis asked about the process for determining the viability of a new program. Ron Bramhall, Assistant Vice Provost for Academic Affairs briefly spoke to the approval process for new programs. Chair Wilcox asked about the level of collaboration with OHSU. Leve discussed that OHSU's course work is more toward health promotion but that is the hope once these programs are up and running. Trustee Connie Ballmer asked if there was a sunset policy on programs. Interim President Scott Coltrane discussed that programs can be modified. Bronet added that when programs have problems they can be eliminated but most are reviewed every ten years.

ACTION: The Committee then took action to consider the Resolution: Program Approval for New Prevention Science Graduate Degrees. The resolution passed by voice vote. The ayes carried; there was no dissention.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 pm.