

University Council
Gold Room – Bibb Graves Hall
March 20, 2013

Present:

Dr. Rebecca Turner, Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs
Dean John-Bauer Graham, Library Services
Dean John Hammett, College of Education and Professional Studies
Dean Sarah Latham, College of Nursing
Dean Earl Wade, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Benjie Blair, Faculty Senate President
Mr. Jason Sumner, President of SGA
Mr. Greg Bonds, Associate Athletic Director, Internal Affairs
Mr. Sam Monk, University Counsel
Ms. Allyson Barker, Acting Vice-President for Administrative and Business Affairs
Dr. Louise Clark, Associate Dean, College of Commerce and Business Administration
Mr. Tim Garner, Executive Director, Marketing and Communications
Dr. Alicia Simmons, Executive Director of Planning and Research
Dr. Charles Lewis, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. Vinson Houston, Vice President for Information Technology

Absent:

Dr. Tim King, Associate Vice-President for Enrollment Management & Student Affairs
Dr. Joe Delap, Associate Vice-President for Academic Affairs
Mr. Tony Bennett, University Auditor
Dean Bill Fielding, College of Commerce and Business Administration
Mr. Don Killingsworth, Government Relations

Old Business:

Minutes of the February 20, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

Dr. Rebecca Turner reported that the Public Records policy had been approved by the President and will be added to the Procedure Manual.

Dr. Rebecca Turner updated the University Council members on Distance Education requirements from other states and expressed the need for JSU to be a part of the Reciprocity Agreement with SREB.

New Business:

Dr. Rebecca Turner addressed revisions to the Faculty Handbook. It was decided Dr. Louise Clark would attempt to reduce the number of pages of the handbook by changing the format. Dr. Turner instructed the council to review the content of the handbook and email any edits to the Provost office. The list of edits will be compiled and forwarded to Dean Wade's office. **The University Council will revisit this topic at their next meeting in April.**

Dr. Alicia Simmons addressed Policy I:01:12 – Program Review. After a brief discussion it was recommended and approved by the council members to adopt this policy. **Dr. Turner will submit the recommendation to the President for his approval.**

Dr. Charles Lewis discussed the new Social Media policy. To prevent future revisions, Mr. Vinson Houston suggested deleting specific names mentioned in the policy and using titles only.

Mr. Jason Sumner gave the following report on the SGA: JSU had a large number of students attend Higher Ed Day; the new SGA president will attend the University Council meeting on April 3rd and the Board of Trustees meeting on April 15th as well. There will be a *Cocky Carnival* on April 3rd on the TMB lawn from noon until four o'clock. *Midnight Snack in the Café* will take place on April 15th at Jack Hopper Dining Hall and *Library Snacks* will be April 16th, 17th, and 18th. Inauguration of the new SGA officers will be held on April 8th. Dr. Turner thanked Jason Sumner for his service to JSU.

Dr. Benjie Blair, Faculty Senate President, reported Mr. Joe Weaver, CEO for RMC Anniston, will be the guest speaker at the Faculty Senate meeting on April 8th. Dr. Blair also expressed the need for the Faculty Senate to have more input regarding the Academic Calendar. A suggestion was made by the council to begin discussing the Academic Calendar before the first Preview Day in February.

Announcements:

Dean John-Bauer Graham reminded everyone the library will be open late during finals.

Dr. Louise Clark announced the College of Commerce and Business Administration has been approved by the AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) for accreditation and reaffirmation.

Dr. Benji Blair reported two remaining Biology Department Head candidates will be giving seminars on Thursday and Friday.

Dean Wade reported a successful visit from NASPAA (National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration). JSU will be notified of its accreditation status in the MPA program in October.

Dr. Alicia Simmons announced registration for two upcoming events: 1) IDEA workshop to be held in May and 2) CORE Academy being held on June 4-6.

Ms. Allyson Barker announced auditors are still on campus.

Dr. Charles Lewis reported the Founders Day event went very well. He also reminded everyone of the spring football game on April 12th.

Dr. Rebecca Turner requested all academic units email pertinent information regarding their department to Mary Cheatwood to be added to the Board of Trustees report generated through Digital Measures.

Meeting adjourned.