

**University Council**  
**Gold Room – Bibb Graves Hall**  
**January 7, 2015**

**Present:**

Dr. Rebecca Turner, Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs  
Dean John-Bauer Graham, Library Services  
Dean Earl Wade, College of Arts & Sciences  
Dean Bill Fielding, College of Commerce and Business Administration  
Dean Christie Shelton, College of Nursing  
Ms. Emily White, Registrar  
Dr. Louise Clark, Associate Dean, College of Commerce and Business Administration  
Dr. Charles Lewis, Vice President for University Advancement  
Dr. Melanie Wallace, Faculty Senate President  
Mr. Greg Bonds, Associate Athletic Director, Internal Affairs  
Ms. Allyson Barker, Acting Vice-President for Administrative and Business Affairs  
Dean John Hammett, College of Education and Professional Studies  
Dr. Tim King, Associate Vice-President for Enrollment Management & Student Affairs  
Dr. Joe Walsh, Associate Vice President for Educational Technology and Support  
Dr. Alicia Simmons, Vice President Research, Planning and Collaboration  
Mr. Vinson Houston, Vice President for Information Technology  
Mr. Tim Garner, Executive Director, Marketing and Communications  
Mr. Brett Johnson, President, SGA  
Mr. Don Thacker, Interim University Auditor  
Mr. Don Killingsworth, Government Relations  
Mr. Sam Monk, University Counsel  
Dr. Joe Delap, Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies

**Absent:**

**Old Business:**

Minutes of the December 3, 2014 meeting were approved after adding Dr. Joe Delap to the *Travel Committee*.

Dr. Rebecca Turner introduced Mr. Don Thacker as the interim auditor. In turn, the council stated their names and titles and welcomed Mr. Thacker back to JSU.

Dr. Turner provided a copy of the new *Policy on Scholarships* and stated the policy has been approved by the president and posted on the website.

Dr. Turner gave the following update on ACHE:

- The Research Center for Veteran Support Services was approved at the last ACHE meeting.
- A NISP for Respiratory Therapy has been submitted to ACHE and will be discussed with the board at the January 26<sup>th</sup> Board of Trustees meeting.
- At the December 2014 meeting, ACHE announced JSU received three grants: 1)IMPACTSEED, Renewal; 2) AMSTI for MCETS, Renewal; and 3) CORE Initiative, New

Dr. Turner addressed the Summer 2015 calendar and requested all to make certain their departments are aware of the changes; i.e. July 4 Week was deleted.

Dr. Turner introduced two policy changes from Graduate Council: 1) Maximum student load for graduate students is now thirteen hours in Fall, Spring, and May Full Summer; and 2) Academic forgiveness at the graduate level will be similar to undergraduate academic forgiveness effective Fall 2015.

### **New Business:**

Dr. Alicia Simmons reviewed the Spring 2015 Enrollment Report.

Mr. Sam Monk discussed the new *Self Reporting Policy*. This policy will be applicable first to students and later to faculty/staff. Mr. Monk asked everyone to review the policy and offer feedback at the next University Council meeting. Additionally, Mr. Monk briefly discussed the unethical practice of faculty selling text books. This subject will be discussed in greater detail at a later date.

SGA president, Mr. Brett Johnson, shared his report on *Increasing Enrollment at JSU*. Mr. Johnson stated that a survey was distributed campus wide to students and responses from those surveys were compiled for his report. Mr. Johnson will share the report with the Board of Trustees on January 26<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Melanie Wallace announced the Faculty Senate will have their first meeting of the new semester next Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **Announcements:**

Dr. Christie Shelton reminded everyone of the 5K Run on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Louise Clark reported six students entering the College of Business have a 4.0 GPA.

Dr. Charles Lewis announced *Founders Day* is February 23rd. Also, the Major Gifts Officer hired for the College of Arts and Sciences will begin Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Greg Bonds reported the spring football game is slated for April 11<sup>th</sup>. Also, the JSU basketball game will be nationally televised on Sunday.

Ms. Allyson Barker announced Dean John-Bauer Graham will chair the committee for the new HR Director position.

Mr. Tim Garner's department is working on a new Public Relations campaign in the Birmingham and Huntsville areas as well as other smaller markets.

Mr. Vinson Houston announced a major infrastructure upgrade will take place on Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, MLK Day. He will also meet with Mr. John Rosier and Ms. Vickie Adams regarding SACS information.

Mr. Don Killingsworth gave the following update on the presidential search: an advertisement has been posted in *The Chronicle*, February 6<sup>th</sup> is the closing date for all applicants, and lastly, all applications will be sent directly to Diversified Search.

Dr. Turner announced Dr. Martha Lavender is now the interim president at Gadsden State Community College. Also, Dr. Turner and Dr. Christie Shelton will tour the Brookstone facility as a possible partnership with Regional Medical Center.

Meeting adjourned.