

University Council
Gold Room – Bibb Graves Hall
May 20, 2015

Present:

Dr. Rebecca Turner, Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs
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. Charles Lewis, Vice President for University Advancement
Dr. Windon Edge, Faculty Senate President
Mr. Greg Bonds, Associate Athletic Director, Internal Affairs
Ms. Allyson Barker, Vice President for Administrative and Business Affairs
Dr. Tommy Turner for Dean John Hammett, College of Education and Professional Studies
Dr. Joe Walsh, Associate Vice President for Educational Technology and Support
Mr. Tyler Brown, President, SGA
Dr. Jean Pugliese for Dr. Joe Delap, Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies
Mr. Vinson Houston, Vice President for Information Technology
Ms. Jodie Poe for Dean John-Bauer Graham, Library Services
Mr. Tim Garner, Executive Director, Marketing and Communications
Mr. Don Thacker, Interim University Auditor
LTC David Wood, Military Science

Absent:

Mr. Don Killingsworth, Government Relations
Dr. Alicia Simmons, Vice President Research, Planning and Collaboration
Mr. Sam Monk, University Counsel
Dr. Louise Clark, Associate Dean, College of Commerce and Business Administration
Dr. Tim King, Associate Vice-President for Enrollment Management & Student Affairs

Guests:

Dr. Heidi Louisy, Director, Human Resources
Ms. Tori Gaddy, Assistant Registrar

Old Business:

Minutes of the April 15, 2015 meeting were approved as submitted.

Dr. Rebecca Turner introduced Dr. Heidi Louisy, Director of Human Resources.

Ms. Emily White discussed the new *online graduation application form* through Banner. Applications for graduation can be submitted both online and on paper through Fall 2015; however, beginning Spring 2016, all graduation applications will be submitted online only.

New Business:

Discussions on the *Travel Policy* were **postponed** until the next University Council meeting.

Ms. Allyson Barker reported *Digital Directories* will be installed in Bibb Graves Hall on the first and second floors. These directories will replace the outdated directories that currently exist. A question was raised regarding advertising on the new digital directories and Mr. Vinson Houston voiced his opposition to this. After further discussion, it was decided that an advertising policy needs to be considered. Dr. Charles Lewis agreed to look into this consideration.

Mr. Vinson Houston presented a new cloud based e-mail platform for students called *Office 365*. This system will be activated June 1st. The current e-mail system, *Zimbra*, will be phased out by December 31st.

Dr. Turner reported some changes have been made to the iPad Initiative. A memo/explanation was provided by Ms. Gena Christopher, Director of Faculty Commons. Mr. Tim Garner stated the Public Relations Department will publicize the new changes.

The following report was given by the SGA: Mr. Tyler Brown stated the SGA is currently working on next year's schedule. Also, Mr. Brown asked the members to report to the SGA office any charging stations that need to be refurbished.

Faculty Senate: Dr. Windon Edge reported the Faculty Senate had their final meeting for the academic year and elected the following new officers: Vice-president/President Elect – Dr. Pitt Harding, Secretary – Dr. Bethany Latham, and Historian – Dr. Cynthia Connor.

Announcements:

Dr. Turner introduced and welcomed LTC David Wood, Military Science Professor, as a new University Council member.

Mr. Vinson Houston reported Mr. Graham Lewis recently resigned; therefore, Mr. Chris Newsome is currently the only webmaster on campus.

Mr. Charles Lewis announced there will be an Open House for the new University Development House on May 29th from 2:00 – 4:00 pm.

Dean Wade announced the Drama Department has been reaffirmed by the National Association of Theatre (NAST) through 2025.

LTC David Wood reported that JSU's *ROTC* program is considered to be "viably challenged" according to a recent *Cadet Command Program Review*. Therefore, LTC Wood stated they are making a big effort in recruiting quality cadets and promoting diversity for the program.

Meeting Adjourned.