

**University Council
Gold Room – Bibb Graves Hall
March 30, 2016**

Present:

Dr. Rebecca Turner, Provost and Vice President for Student Affairs
Dean Earl Wade, College of Arts & Sciences
Dean Christie Shelton, College of Nursing
Ms. Emily White, Registrar
Dr. Charles Lewis, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. Greg Bonds, Associate Athletic Director, Internal Affairs
Dean John Hammett, College of Education and Professional Studies
Dr. Joe Walsh, Associate Vice President for Office of Teaching, Learning, and Technology
Mr. Tim Garner, Executive Director, Marketing and Communications
Dr. Windon Edge, Faculty Senate President
LTC David Wood, Military Science
Mr. Joe Whitmore, Associate Vice President for Business and Auxiliary Services
Dean John-Bauer Graham, Library Services
Dr. Tim King, Vice President for Student Affairs
Dr. Louise Clark, Associate Dean, College of Commerce and Business Administration
Mr. Don Thacker, Interim University Auditor
Mr. Tyler Brown, President, SGA
Dr. Ashok Roy, Vice President for Finance and Administration/CFO
Dr. Don Killingsworth, Special Assistant to the President and Director of University Relations
Mr. Vinson Houston, Vice President for Information Technology
Dean Bill Fielding, College of Commerce and Business Administration
Ms. Allison Newton for Dr. Alicia Simmons, Vice President for Research, Planning and Collaboration

Absent:

Mr. Sam Monk, University Counsel
Dr. Joe Delap, Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies
Dr. Heidi Louisy, Director, Human Resources
Mr. John Rosier, Director, Institutional Research and Assessment

Guest: Ms. Jesslan Sharp, Incoming SGA President

Old Business:

Minutes of the February 17, 2016 meeting were approved as submitted.

New Business:

Dr. Rebecca Turner introduced and welcomed Dr. Ashok Roy to Jacksonville State University. Dr. Roy is the new Vice President for Finance and Administration/CFO and Professor of Practice in Finance.

Dr. Ashok Roy reviewed the newly formed *Policy # IV:10 – Continuing Disclosure Compliance Procedure for Tax Exempt Obligations*. The policy was **voted on and approved** by the council. Dr. Roy also gave a brief explanation of the need for budget hearings and justification from individual units regarding their respective budgets.

Dr. Christie Shelton invited everyone to attend the annual *Nursing Run/Walk* on April 9th.

The following report was given by the SGA: Mr. Tyler Brown introduced President Elect, Ms. Jesslan Sharp and thanked everyone for their support over the past year. Ms. Sharp announced the SGA sponsored a *Campus Safety Week* prior to Spring Break and thanked the UPD for their participation; new SGA officers will take office on April 15th; *Student Advocacy Day* is April 5th in Montgomery, AL; and lastly, the annual *Cockystock* event will take place April 6th.

The following report was given by the Faculty Senate: Dr. Windon Edge reported new elections for Faculty Senate will be held at the May Faculty Senate meeting. Dr. Pitt Harding will be the new Faculty Senate President and will attend the next University Council meeting. Dr. Edge presented two items from the Faculty Senate: 1) *Proposal for Graduate Assistantship*; during this discussion, Dr. R. Turner addressed the need for a monetary increase to compensate graduate assistants; and 2) *Resolution Alabama House Bill, HB12 Campus Carry* has been adopted and approved by the Faculty Senate. It has also been placed on the Faculty Senate website. The University Council members expressed support for the Resolution brought forth by the Faculty Senate. In addition, Dr. Don Killingworth reported that House Bill, HB 12 is stalled in the state legislature at this time; therefore, it has not yet been approved as a bill.

Dr. Joe Walsh passed out posters advertising summer online programs with decreased tuition to promote summer online classes, as well as, other activities through Student Life to keep students on campus this summer.

Announcements:

Dean John-Bauer Graham announced the Houston Cole Library is embarking on a ukulele lending program where ukuleles may be checked out for a period of two weeks. Also, there will be a “*Presidential Pardon*” during Inauguration Week in which dues and fines for overdue books will be waived. Lastly, Dean Graham reported the library was lit up in blue in honor of *Autism Awareness Day*.

Ms. Emily White reported eight hundred sixteen students are participating in spring commencement. Also, the *Graduation Fair* held in February had the largest attendance to date.

LTC David Wood announced the *ROTC Program Review* will be in May.

Dr. Christie Shelton announced that automatic external defibrillators will be placed in various buildings on campus. The EMA (Emergency Management Agency) will be notified where the defibrillators are located in case of an emergency. Also, the College of Nursing will see their largest freshmen cohort declaring Nursing as their major beginning fall 2016. Lastly, Dr. Shelton reported the *DNP Program* will be presented to ACHE on June 25th.

Dr. Charles Lewis discussed issues with internal campus emails. Mr. Tim Garner reported a Task Force has been implemented and will bring suggestions before the University Council for approval. Mr. Vinson Houston added *MyJSU* is the preferred site for information but many faculty and staff never log in. Dr. Lewis also announced \$20,000.00 from sponsorships are covering the Presidential Dinner on April 8th. Finally, Athletic Fundraising is now under the department of University Advancement.

Dr. Tim King announced *Preview Day* is Saturday, April 2nd.

Mr. Tim Garner reported a new photographer will be on campus in two weeks after the retirement of Mr. Steve Latham.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.