University Council Cabinet Meeting Summary April 15, 2024 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. 130 Burruss Hall & Zoom Videoconference

Present: Cyril Clarke (co-chair), Joe Merola (co-chair), April Myers, Kim O'Rourke, Amy Sebring, Julie Ross, Dwayne Edwards, Evan Lavender-Smith, Rachel Miles, LaTawnya Burleson, Kiera Schneiderman & Rachel Maizel

Absent with notice: Janice Austin

Absent: Menah Pratt

Dr. Clarke called the hybrid meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A request was made from Faculty Senate to add the following item under new business to call for University Council to form a committee to make a statement on behalf of the University and insist that the Faculty Senate Officers serve as voting members of the committee.

A motion was then made, seconded, and approved to adopt the agenda as amended above.

2. Actions/Decisions

- 1. The University Council meeting agenda for April 22, 2024, was approved.
- 2. The University Council Cabinet discussed a resolution passed by Faculty Senate calling for University Council to form a committee with Faculty Senate officers among the voting members to draft a statement on behalf of the University regarding the current Palestinian situation. It was decided that since University Council is advisory to the President and the final decision ultimately resides with President Sands, the University Council Cabinet will forward the Faculty Senate's request directly to the President.
- 3. Discussion was held on how to ensure the appropriate offices and commissions are consulted during the resolution process. It was decided that the resolution proposal form should be revised to include a checkbox for additional review by other relevant commissions. It was then determined that it would be useful for the Cabinet to utilize a checklist of questions to be reviewed by the Cabinet for each resolution proposal form that is submitted. The Office of the Vice President for Policy and Governance will begin working on the checklist.
- **3. Adjournment -** The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.