UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEETING April 4, 2016 3:00 p.m. 1045 Pamplin Hall AGENDA

1.	Adoption of Agenda	Dr. Timothy Sands
2.	Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of March 14, 2016	Dr. Timothy Sands
	These minutes have been voted on electronically and will be posted on the University web.	
3.	Presentation	Dr. Timothy Sands
	Hokie Wellness, Merger Between Employee Wellness & Student Health & Well-Being	Ms. Cathy Kropff Ms. Amy Epperley Ms. Anna Agud
4.	Old Business	Dr. Timothy Sands
	Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Resolution CUSP 2015-16E Resolution to Approve New Major, International Public Policy, in Bachelor of Arts in International Studies	Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith
	Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Resolution CUSP 2015-16F Resolution to Approve New Major, International Relations, in Bachelor of Arts in International Studies	Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith
	Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Resolution CUSP 2015-16G Resolution to Approve New Major, National Security and Foreign Affairs, in Bachelor of Arts in International Studies	Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith
5.	New Business	Dr. Timothy Sands
	Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Resolution CUSP 2015-16J Revision to PPM 11b, Prohibiting Students from Repeating Courses to Improve Grade Averages (Undergraduate Repeating Course Enrollment Policy)	Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith
	Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Resolution CUSP 2015-16I Resolution to Adopt the Implementation Plan for the Pathways General Education Curriculum to Guide Implementation of Resolution CUSP 2014-15H (Presidential Policy Memorandum No. 290)	Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith
6.	Announcements	Dr. Timothy Sands
	The Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity will provide information about a resolution to amend the Pathways Curriculum that will be introduced for first reading on April 18.	Dr. Menah Pratt-Clarke Ms. Jennifer Nardine

7.	Announcement of acceptance and posting of Commission MinutesThese minutes have been accepted for filing by electronic vote and will be posted on the University web. Note that the purpose of voting on Commission minutes is to accept them for filing. University Council By-laws require that policy items be brought forward in resolution form for University Council action.Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity February 29, 2016Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies February 17, 2016Commission on Outreach and International Affairs February 18, 2016Commission on Student Affairs December 3, 2015 February 11, 2016Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies February 22, 2016	Dr. Timothy Sands
8.	<u>For Information Only</u> Minutes of the University Advisory Council on Strategic Budgeting and Planning February 25, 2016	Dr. Timothy Sands

9. Adjournment

Dr. Timothy Sands

University Council Minutes April 4, 2016 3:00 PM 1045 Pamplin Hall

Present: Tim Sands (presiding), Cyril Clarke, Jack Davis, Karen DePauw, Michael Friedlander, Jane Swan for Guru Ghosh, Saied Mostaghimi for Alan Grant, Sandra Muse for Theresa Mayer, Scott Midkiff, Kim O'Rourke, Angela Hayes for Charles Phlegar, Menah Pratt-Clarke, Thanassis Rikakis, Patricia Perillo, Savita Sharma for Dwight Shelton, Kay Hunnings for Robert Sumichrast, Brian Mathews for Tyler Walters, Sherwood Wilson, Paul Winistorfer, Montasir Abbas, Jan Helge Bøhn, Gena Chandler-Smith, Saul Halfon, Edward Lener, Jennifer Nardine, Alex Parrish, Susan Volkmar, Randolph Wynne, Susan Anderson, Rami Dalloul for Richard Ashley, Joe Merola, Corinne Noirot, Susanna Rinehart, Christopher Beattie, Kathy Lu for David Dillard, Tom Inzana, Paul Herr, Joan Hirt, Lisa Kennedy, Nathan King, Ana Agud, Stacey Poertner, Sue Teel, Sally Wieringa, Kyrille Goldbeck DeBose, Michael Martin, Matthew Chan, Tara Reel, Stephen Hensell, Warren Nooger, Julia Billingsley for Tanushri Shankar, Channing Mitchell for Danny Strock, Mohammed Seyam, Gabe Cohen for Morgan Sykes

Absent: Richard Benson, Lay Nam Chang, Steve McKnight, Elizabeth Spiller, Andrew Tevington (with notice), Jacquelyn Fisher, Robert Bush, Anita Puckett (with notice), Kathrine Carter, Judy Alford, Lynn Short, Tom Tucker (with notice), Marwa Abdel Latif, Brett Besag (with notice), Raifu Durodoye, Alphonso Garrett, Tara Shockley, Homero Murzi, Olivia Javornik, Andrew O'Sullivan, Dan Cook (with notice)

Guests: Stephen Biscotte, Summer Caton, Jack Finney, Rachel Holloway, Anna-Marie Knoblauch, April Myers, Ellen Plummer, Marlene Preston, Jill Sible, Yannis Stivachtis

Dr. Sands called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion carried.

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of March 14, 2016

Dr. Sands noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the Web (<u>http://www.governance.vt.edu</u>). (Note that the meeting scheduled for March 28, 2016, was cancelled.)

3. Presentation

Ms. Cathy Kropff and Ms. Anna Agud gave a presentation (attached) on the Hokie Wellness merger between Employee Wellness and Student Health and Well-Being.

4. Old Business

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Resolution CUSP 2015-16E Resolution to Approve New Major, International Public Policy, in Bachelor of Arts in International Studies

Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Resolution CUSP 2015-16F Resolution to Approve New Major, International Relations, in Bachelor of Arts in International Studies

Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Resolution CUSP 2015-16G Resolution to Approve New Major, National Security and Foreign Affairs, in Bachelor of Arts in International Studies

Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

5. <u>New Business</u>

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Resolution CUSP 2015-16J Revision to PPM 11b, Prohibiting Students from Repeating Courses to Improve Grade Averages (Undergraduate Repeating Course Enrollment Policy)

Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith presented the resolution for first reading. This resolution leaves much of the policy unchanged. It limits the number of times a student can repeat a course for credit to three attempts. Some students repeatedly take a course to help increase their grade point averages, which can prevent another student from enrolling in a course and possibly delay progress toward graduation. A suggestion was made to overload a class at the beginning of the semester knowing that there will be some students who will drop the class. However, it is not possible to overload a lab because there are a limited number of lab stations.

A suggestion was made to change the definition of an attempt to be the last day to drop a class instead of the last day to add a course.

A question was raised as to why three attempts was chosen as the cutoff. Data indicated that there was a significant drop-off of attempts in a course after the third attempt. It was suggested that information about the appeal process be included in the policy.

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Resolution CUSP 2015-16

Resolution to Adopt the Implementation Plan for the Pathways General Education Curriculum to Guide Implementation of Resolution CUSP 2014-15H (Presidential Policy Memorandum No. 290)

Dr. Gena Chandler-Smith presented the resolution for first reading. This resolution will guide the implementation of the *Pathways General Education* curriculum for students entering Fall 2018.

6. Announcement

Dr. Menah Pratt-Clarke and Ms. Jennifer Nardine provided information about a resolution passed by the Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity earlier in the day and which will be brought to University Council for first reading on April 18, 2016. Dr. Pratt-Clarke indicated that she brought a lens to Virginia Tech from her previous institution and from the national discussion and current issues around diversity, which includes diversity in the curriculum. Although the Pathways curriculum passed in April 2015 incorporated Intercultural and Global Engagement as an integrative learning outcome, it would still be possible for a student to complete four years at Virginia Tech without ever taking a course that addresses issues of intersectionality,

race, and gender in the U.S. Yet, Virginia Tech aspires to be a model land-grant university in its commitment to inclusion and diversity. She shared her concern with CUS&P, CEOD, the Faculty Senate, and the Pathways team, and all were in agreement with the approach of introducing a resolution to modify the Pathways curriculum. Jennifer Nardine explained that the forthcoming resolution would give the university community an opportunity to take time during the 2016-17 academic year to consider ways in which intersectional diversity can be incorporated in the Pathways curriculum and bring those changes through the governance system. The resolution will be brought forward to University Council for first reading at the next meeting.

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8. For Information Only

Minutes of the University Advisory Council on Strategic Budgeting and Planning February 25, 2016

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting 3:59 p.m.











































