University Council Minutes  
November 14, 2016  
3:00 PM  
1045 Pamplin Hall


Absent: Tim Sands (with notice), Cyril Clarke, Jack Davis (with notice), Michael Friedlander (with notice), Guru Ghosh (with notice), Steve McKnight, Menah Pratt-Clarke, Robert Bush, Anita Puckett, Kathrine Carter, Paul Herr, Lisa Kennedy, Nathan King, Christopher Zobel, Tracey Drowne, Robin Lawson, Lynn Short, Tom Tucker, Nicole Johnson (with notice), Sandra Muse (with notice), Glenda Scales, Preston Huennekens, Gabe Cohen, & Tara Reel (with notice)

Guests: Rosemary Blieszner, Shelia Collins, Erik Ervin, Jack Finney, Rachel Holloway, April Myers, Andrew Peck, Rick Sparks

Dr. Rikakis 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 October 17, 2016

Dr. Rikakis noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the Web (http://www.governance.vt.edu).

3. Presentation

Dr. Jack Finney gave a presentation (attached) on the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine integration.

4. Old Business

Commission on Faculty Affairs
Resolution CFA 2016-17A
Resolution to Review Faculty Handbook Language Regarding Alumni Distinguished Professors and University Distinguished Professors
Dr. Hans Robinson presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded and the motion passed.

5. New Business

Commission on Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs
Resolution CAPFA 2016-17A
Resolution to Revise Faculty Handbook Language Regarding Reassignment

Mr. Ross Verbrugge presented the resolution for first reading. This resolution provides a meeting with the faculty member being reassigned, his or her immediate supervisor, and a next-level administrator to review the reasons for the reassignment. This meeting will give the faculty member an opportunity to give input on the reassignment. This change was recommended by University Legal Counsel and endorsed by the Provost’s office.

Commission on Faculty Affairs
Resolution CFA 2016-17B
Resolution to Revise the Constitution of the University Council

Dr. Hans Robinson presented the resolution for first reading. Faculty and Staff senators who are selected to represent the Faculty and Staff Senates (because of their position as senators) and who cease to be senators may be replaced by the Senates. Senator terms and commission terms are for three years, but commission slots are not always filled with new senators so often the term of a senator expires before the term on a commission expires. This resolution will allow the senates to appoint a new senator to complete the term of a previous senator.

Since this is a change to the University Council Constitution, the resolution has to receive an endorsement from both the Faculty and Staff Senates before a vote can be taken at University Council. A request was made to defer the resolution in order to gain approval from both the Faculty and Staff Senates.

Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
Resolution CGSP 2016-17E

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies
Resolution CUSP 2016-17C
Resolution for the Establishment of a School of Plant and Environmental Sciences at Virginia Tech

Dr. Sally Paulson presented the resolution for first reading. Dr. Paulson introduced Dr. Erik Ervin to answer any questions. Dr. Ervin indicated that the creation of this school will combine the departments of Crop and Soil Environmental Sciences, Plant Pathology, Physiology, and Weed Science, and Horticulture, all of which are within the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. There is an anticipated 10-20% growth of students with the creation of the School of Plant and Environmental Sciences.

After a lengthy discussion as to whether the proposed school would be sufficiently inclusive of the overall environmental portfolio, the resolution was deferred. Dr. Rikakis will call a meeting of the college deans in order to discuss any concerns with the resolution.
6. Announcement of Approval and Posting of Commission Minutes

These minutes have been voted on electronically and will be posted on the University web (http://www.governance.vt.edu). 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 Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs
  October 12, 2016

- Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity
  May 2, 2016
  September 12, 2016

- Commission on Faculty Affairs
  October 14, 2016

- Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
  October 5, 2016
  October 19, 2016

- Commission on Research
  September 14, 2016

- Commission on Student Affairs
  September 29, 2016
  October 13, 2016

- Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies
  October 10, 2016

7. For Information Only

Minutes of the University Advisory Council on Strategic Budgeting and Planning
September 22, 2016

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:57 p.m.
Integration of VTCSOM into Virginia Tech

Jack W. Finney
Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs

University Council
November 14, 2016

Why?

• Original vision of the public-private partnership
• Success of VTCSOM
• Integration of degree-granting programs
• Expansion of Virginia Tech's health sciences and technology portfolio

• VTC Health Sciences and Technology Campus
• Roanoke Innovation Corridor
Clinical departments of emergency medicine, family & community medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, orthopedic surgery, pediatrics, psychiatry and behavioral medicine, radiology, surgery.

Academic departments of biomedical research, basic science education.

Integration Planning and Implementation:

- Executive Committee
- Integration Steering Committee
- Integration Working Working Groups

Representation across the stakeholder groups.
Integration Planning Working Groups
- Finance
- Personnel
- Facilities
- Accreditation and Institutional Research Functions
- Information Technology
- Student Services
- Libraries
- Communications
- Student Advisory Committee

Faculty Appointments at VTCSOM
- Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure Committee (APT)
- Faculty employed by Virginia Tech
- Faculty employed by Carilion Clinic and other institutions
- Tenure to title
- Tenure to employment
- Non-tenure-track
- Ranked faculty (assistant professor, associate professor, professor)
- Instructional faculty (adjunct, clinical preceptor, instructor)
- Special appointment faculty (emeritus, honorary)
Faculty Handbooks

- VTCSOM’s Faculty Handbook
- Virginia Tech’s Faculty Handbook

  - Cross-walking the two handbooks
  - Changes for both handbooks

Recent Milestones

- 07/22/2016 SACSCOC meeting
- 09/26/2016 VTCSOM’s Faculty Assembly
- 10/04/2016 VT’s Faculty Senate
- 11/10/2016 Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) Change of Ownership/Governance Notice
Questions?