UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 29, 2013
3:00 p.m.
1045 Pamplin Hall
AGENDA

1. Adoption of Agenda  Dr. Charles Steger

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of April 15, 2013  Dr. Charles Steger
   These minutes have been voted on electronically and will be posted on the University web.

3. Old Business  Dr. Charles Steger
   Commission on Faculty Affairs
   Resolution 2012-13A
   Professors of Practice Chairing Graduate Committees
   
   Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
   Resolution 2012-13B
   Resolution to Include a Scholarly Ethics and Integrity Component in Graduate Education
   
   Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
   Resolution 2012-13C
   Resolution to Establish a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Translational Biology, Medicine and Health
   
   Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies
   Resolution 2012-13G
   Resolution to Approve Major in Russian, in Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages
   
   Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies
   Resolution 2012-13H
   Resolution to Approve the Bachelor of Science Degree in Fish and Wildlife Conservation
   
   Commission on Research
   Resolution 2012-13C
   Revision on Policy 13000 – Policy on Intellectual Properties
   
   Commission on Student Affairs
   Resolution 2012-13D
   Resolution for Changes to the Hokie Handbook (www.hokiehandbook.vt.edu)
   Expansion of the Abusive Conduct Policy for Student Code of Conduct
   
   Commission on Student Affairs
   Resolution 2012-13E
   Resolution for Changes to the Hokie Handbook (www.hokiehandbook.vt.edu)
   Expansion of the Drug Policy for Student Code of Conduct
   
   Commission on Student Affairs
   Resolution 2012-13F
   Resolution for Changes to the Hokie Handbook (www.hokiehandbook.vt.edu)
   Expansion of the Unauthorized Entry Policy for Student Code of Conduct

4. New Business  Dr. Charles Steger
   Commission on Faculty Affairs
   Resolution 2012-13B
   Academy of Faculty Service
5. Announcement of acceptance and posting of Commission Minutes

These 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.

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6. Adjournment

Dr. Charles Steger
University Council Minutes  
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Absent: Christopher Atkins (with notice), Bruce Pencek, Mike Denbow, Teresa Lyons, Melissa Means, Jen Mirabella (with notice), Nicole DaDamio, Lauren Heming, Patricia Smith, Patrick Tomlin, Shaimaa Abdallah, Elaine Mathis, Leighton Vila, Luke Hodge, Austin Larrowe, Adam Smith, Anjelica Smith, Sue Teel (with notice)

Guests: Randy Collins, Wanda Dean, Natalie Hart, Allison Knox, April Myers, Robin Panneton, Fred Selby, Angela Simmons, Kayla Smith, Audra Van Wart

Dr. Steger 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 April 15, 2013

Dr. Steger 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). (Note that the meeting scheduled for April 22, 2013, was cancelled.)

3. Old Business

Commission on Faculty Affairs
Resolution 2012-13A
Professors of Practice Chairing Graduate Committees

Dr. Jack Finney presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
Resolution 2012-13B
Resolution to Include a Scholarly Ethics and Integrity Component in Graduate Education
Dr. Mayuresh Patil presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded. Dr. Gene Brown moved to amend the resolution to add the following:

“Be it further resolved, given the number of ethics and integrity activities already present on campus and elsewhere, that the Graduate School be directed to make the nature of the best of such activities known to any program, department, or college wishing to use this information to develop their own plan.”

Dean DePauw stated that the Graduate School is okay with the amendment and is already compiling all of available integrity activities. The motion to amend the resolution was seconded. A vote was taken on the amendment and passed. Council then voted on the resolution as amended, and it passed.

**Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies**
Resolution 2012-13C
Resolution to Establish a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Translational Biology, Medicine and Health

Dr. Mayuresh Patil 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 2012-13G
Resolution to Approve Major in Russian, in Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages

Dr. Diane Zahm 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 2012-13H
Resolution to Approve the Bachelor of Science Degree in Fish and Wildlife Conservation

Dr. Diane Zahm presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

**Commission on Research**
Resolution 2012-13C
Revision on Policy 13000 – Policy on Intellectual Properties

Dr. Jesus de la Garza presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. Dr. de la Garza informed the Council that section 2.1 in Policy 13000 will indicate that the membership of the Intellectual Property Committee will be reflected in the University Council By-laws. The University Council By-laws will be updated to include the changes made to the Intellectual Property Committee addressed by this resolution. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

**Commission on Student Affairs**
Resolution 2012-13D
Resolution for Changes to the Hokie Handbook (www.hokiehandbook.vt.edu)
Expansion of the Abusive Conduct Policy for Student Code of Conduct

Mr. Nick Onopa presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.
Commission on Student Affairs
Resolution 2012-13E
Resolution for Changes to the Hokie Handbook (www.hokiehandbook.vt.edu)
Expansion of the Drug Policy for Student Code of Conduct

Mr. Nick Onopa presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

Commission on Student Affairs
Resolution 2012-13F
Resolution for Changes to the Hokie Handbook (www.hokiehandbook.vt.edu)
Expansion of the Unauthorized Entry Policy for Student Code of Conduct

Mr. Nick Onopa presented the resolution for second reading and made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

4. New Business

Commission on Faculty Affairs
Resolution 2012-13B
Academy of Faculty Service

Dr. Jack Finney presented the resolution for first reading. Dr. Finney indicated that the Academy of Faculty Service went dormant in 1998. A request has been made by some faculty members to reinstate the Academy. This resolution will reinstate the Academy of Faculty Service, and will institute a new nomination/election process conducted by the Provost’s office. In the past, those that served in a faculty service role were automatically a member of the Academy.

Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
Resolution 2012-13D
Resolution to Establish an M.A.Ed. Degree in Higher Education

Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
Resolution 2012-13E
Resolution to Establish a Ph.D. Degree in Higher Education

Dr. Mayuresh Patil presented these resolutions for first reading. These new degrees will replace the unofficial higher education track that has been part of the Educational Leadership and Policy Studies graduate degrees. These degrees will not require additional resources.

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies
Resolution 2012-13I
Winter Sessions Academic and Registration Policies

Dr. Diane Zahm presented the resolution for first reading. This resolution will establish a Winter Session which will be similar to a summer session. Policies associated with Summer Sessions will apply to the Winter Session. A question was raised at to how many students will register for this session. Dr. McNamee indicated that enrollment is expected to be small at first and grow over the years. It will provide additional revenue for the university and give students more opportunities to take different courses or complete graduation requirements more quickly.
Commission on University Support
Resolution 2012-13A
Resolution to Update Charge and Change Membership of the Transportation and Parking Committee

Commission on University Support
Resolution 2012-13B
Resolution to Change Name, Update Charge and Change Membership of the Building Committee

Commission on University Support
Resolution 2012-13C
Resolution to Update Membership of the Energy and Sustainability Committee

Ms. Maxine Lyons presented these three resolutions for first reading. There has been overlap of planning-related topics between the Transportation and Building Committees because of lack of clarity in their respective charges and their charges don’t accurately reflect the full scope of the committees’ responsibilities. In addition, reorganization within the Administrative Services division has re-aligned positions, thus creating a need to re-align the ex-officio members of these committees.

Commission on University Support
Resolution 2012-13D
Resolution to Update the Virginia Tech Climate Action Commitment

Ms. Maxine Lyons presented the resolution for first reading. In 2009, the Virginia Tech Climate Action commitment was approved by the Board of Visitors and in the spring of 2012, the Energy and Sustainability Committee established a subcommittee to review the language of the commitment and recommend changes. Resolution 2012-13D was drafted to address this situation.

Announcement

Dr. Steger asked Mr. Dwight Shelton to give a brief summary of the tuition and fees set by the Board of Visitors on Sunday, April 28, 2013.

- 4.9% increase in tuition and fees for Virginia resident undergraduate rates
- 5% increase in tuition and fees for Non-Virginia resident undergraduate rates
- 4.9% increase in tuition and fees for Virginia resident graduate rates
- 5.7% increase in tuition and fees for Non-Virginia resident graduate rates
- 3.9% increase in housing rates
- 7.9% increase in dining rates

Dr. Steger stated that a certain amount of internal money is designated for scholarships, and therefore the number of such scholarships that can be awarded is dependent upon tuition revenue.

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6. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:22 p.m.