

**COMMISSION ON UNIVERSITY SUPPORT  
MEETING  
October 21, 2021  
Videoconference (via Zoom)**

**Present:** John Benner (Chair), Judy Alford, Holly Carroll, William Dougherty *for Scott Midkiff*, Alisha Ebert *for Bob Broyden*, Martha Glass, Debbie Greer *for Ken Miller*, Ariel Heminger, Julie Farmer, *for Charlie Phlegar*, Patrick Pithua, Polly Middleton, Connie Stovall, Jim Tokuhisa, Paul Winistorfer

**Absent with Notice:** Chis Kiwus, Martha Glass

**Absent:** Jeff Earley, Kimani Jackson

**Guests:** Emily Burns, Mary-Ann Ibeziako, Christina King, April Myers, Curt Porterfield

**1. Welcome and Roll Call**

Commission Chair, John Benner, called the meeting to order at 2:00p.m.; initiated introductions and roll call. A quorum was present.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Proper motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to adopt the September 2021 agenda.

**3. Approval of the September 2021 meeting minutes**

Chair Benner 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>).

**4. Old Business**

Chair Benner reported the Vice Chair position is still vacant and asked the group if anyone had interest in filing the position. No interest received.

Resolution CUS 2021-22A Resolution to Change Membership to TPC: Chair Benner opened the discussion noting the highlighted changes resulting from first reading. Also brought before the Commission were questions surrounding whether there would 1 or 2 representatives added. Following such discussion, proper motion was made and carried for the Commission to move forward with the second reading of the Resolution CUS 2021-22A Resolution to Change Membership to TPC in its current version. The subject resolution is now passed onto University Council.

**5. New Business**

No items of new business.

**6. Updates from Committee Representatives**

Campus Development Committee – The committee met at the beginning of October and reviewed committee charge and a capital project.

Energy and Sustainability Committee – Mary-Ann Ibeziako reported they met on September 27, 2021. They went over committee charter. The working group is making great progress with the goals and initiatives of the 2020 Climate Action Commitment. She advised there is discussion to change the name, charge, membership and reporting structure for this committee and it is anticipated a resolution will be forthcoming. She will provide updates as this proposal evolves.

IT Services and Systems Committee – William Dougherty reported the first meeting was held a few weeks ago and minutes are being prepared and will be submitted for review soon. They discussed structure for five subcommittees and potential meeting topics.

Transportation and Parking Committee – No representative present. Jeri Baker submitted their October 12, 2021 minutes electronically to Chair Benner shortly before this meeting today. He has shared with the group for review and voting. Said minutes were reviewed; and with proper motion, they were approved and accepted.

## **7. Acceptance of Committee Minutes**

Campus Development Committee – No new minutes submitted to the Commission.

Energy and Sustainability Committee – September 27, 2021 minutes were submitted to the Commission; will be voted on at our November meeting.

IT Services and Systems Committee – No new minutes submitted to the Commission.

Transportation and Parking Committee – October 12, 2021 minutes submitted to the Commission. (See committee update above for additional information)

## **8. Next Meeting Date**

Next meeting date is November 18, 2021. Chair Benner shared Rebecca Cockrum in the Dairy Science Department will present on the application of Biopolymers in Agriculture for our November meeting. Curt Porterfield from Environmental Health and Safety is currently scheduled to give a presentation at our December meeting.

## **9. Adjournment**

There being no further business, proper motion was made and meeting adjourned at 2:36pm.