

Minutes  
Academic and Student Affairs Committee  
Board of Trustees  
May 2, 2017

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees met in the Board Room, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor Patterson Office Tower, on May 2, 2017. Trustee Angela Edwards called the meeting to order at 11:01am. The following members were in attendance: Angela Edwards, C.B. Akins, Sr., Lee Blonder, Mike Christian, Cammie Grant, Bob Grossman, Kelly Holland, Rowan Reid, and Barbara Young.

Chair Edwards stated that the first item of business was to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2017 ASAC meeting. Finding no corrections or adjustments to the minutes, Trustee Christian moved approval of the minutes which was seconded by Trustee Akins. Chair Edwards called for a vote and the motion passed without dissent.

Provost Tim Tracy gave a presentation updating the committee on the UK College of Medicine Expansion. He mentioned that there will also be an FCR presented at the Finance Committee meeting later in the day related to the expansion, specifically regarding a lease in Bowling Green. He discussed the elements needed for success of the expansion: facilities, faculty, curriculum, admissions, and student affairs. He presented detail on the status of the expansion for each of the campuses: Bowling Green, Morehead, and Northern Kentucky, discussing timelines; approvals; accreditation needs; target matriculation dates; anticipated class sizes; and facility/space needs.

Provost Tracy introduced Dr. Sonja Feist-Price, the new UK Vice President for Institutional Diversity. Dr. Feist-Price gave a presentation on her personal, educational, and professional background. She then discussed diversity and inclusion on the campus community; her goals as the VP for Institutional Diversity; and the five units that are part of the Office of Institutional Diversity.

ASACR 1: Candidates for Degrees: May 2017 – the recommendation is that the President be authorized to confer upon each individual whose name appears on the attached list the degree to which he or she is entitled, upon certification by the University Registrar that the individual has satisfactorily completed all requirements for the degree for which application has been made and as approved by the elected faculty of the University Senate and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees. By way of background, since Commencement exercises are held immediately following completion of examinations, it is not possible for the University Registrar to certify satisfactory completion of requirements prior to Commencement exercises for those candidates who complete their requirements in May. A motion was made by Trustee Bob Grossman to approve the recommendation, which was seconded by Trustee C.B. Akins, Sr. Provost Tracy pointed out that a new version of the list of graduates had been uploaded and that the May 2, 2017 list was the correct version. Finding no further questions or discussions, Chair Edwards called for a vote and the motion passed without dissent.

ASACR 2: Candidates for Degrees: August 2017 – the recommendation is that the President be authorized to confer upon each individual whose name appears on the attached list the degree to which he or she is entitled, upon certification by the University Registrar that the individual has satisfactorily completed all requirements for the degree for which application has been made and as approved by the elected faculty of the University Senate and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees. By way of background, each individual whose name appears on the attached list is scheduled to complete the work toward the degree for which application is being made at the close of the 2017 Summer Session. Due to licensure or certification requirements for students pursuing job placement or additional education, degrees must be verified as soon as possible. Trustee Barbara Young moved approval, which was seconded by Trustee Kelly Holland. Finding no discussion, Chair Edwards called for a vote and the motion passed without dissent.

ASACR 3: Academic Degree Recommendation: College of Education—the recommendation is that the Board of Trustees approve the establishment of a Master of Science degree with a major in Sport and Exercise Psychology, in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion, within the College of Education, beginning in the Fall 2017 Semester. By way of background, the field of sport and exercise psychology (SEP) is an interdisciplinary science that explores the relationship between various psychological factors and participation in sport and/or physical activity. SEP is a quickly growing field, as evidenced by professional memberships, conference attendance, professional journals, publications, and job opportunities. The proposed program is designed for those specifically interested in sport and exercise performance enhancement, while also providing foundational knowledge in counseling theory and techniques. The two-year program within the Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion offers students the choice to pursue a graduate education by either following an applied or research track. Each option integrates theory-based research and the application of key concepts associated with performance enhancement and life skill development. In this context, successful completion of this program will result in a strong understanding of the various psychosocial factors that influence sport participation and performance. Certification with the Association of Applied Sport Psychology is the gold standard in this field and this program will assist students in preparing for success in the certification exam. With college athletic programs and professional teams acknowledging the importance of sport psychology, individuals trained in both mental health and performance enhancement are in high demand. This program has the approval of the appropriate councils and the University Senate and has completed the 45 day review process of the Council on Postsecondary Education. The Provost of the University supports this recommendation. UK College of Education Dean Mary John O’Hair and Dr. Mark Cormier of the Department of Kinesiology & Health Promotion were present. A motion was made by Trustee Bob Grossman to approve the recommendation, which was seconded by Trustee Kelly Holland. Dean O’Hair commented that the College is excited about the program and the opportunity it presents. Finding no further discussion, comments or questions, Chair Edwards called for a vote and the motion passed without dissent.

ASACR 4: Academic Degree Recommendation: College of Fine Arts—the recommendation is that the Board of Trustees approve the establishment of a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Dance, in the Department of Theatre and Dance, within the College of Fine Arts, beginning in the Fall 2017 Semester. By way of background, the Dance minor in the Department of Theatre and Dance was implemented five years ago and has grown from six to 70 students. The Dance program has achieved national recognition and awards for its student and faculty choreography and performance at festivals and conferences each year. The proposed Bachelor of Arts degree in Dance will educate students in the history, theory, creativity, practice, and performance of dance within the context of a broad liberal arts education. The curriculum incorporates and develops problem solving, collaboration, communication (visual, aural, written, and performative), critical thinking, peer mentorship, and project management. Students will master interpersonal communication skills that incorporate physical authority and assurance. Students have expressed interest in this type of major, one that allows flexibility to earn a second major or minor in another discipline of their choice. Admission to this degree program will be selective, in that students will audition for acceptance and placement into the program. It is anticipated that students will pair a Dance major with a wide variety of disciplines including Communication, Journalism, Psychology, Nursing, Accounting, Computer Science, Chemistry, Biology, Education, and Pre-Medicine. Students' ability to pair two distinct majors and areas of interest will enhance their undergraduate experience, help to achieve student success, lead to greater retention and graduation rates, and strengthen job placement. The inclusion of a degree in Dance also will bring UK in line with its benchmarks. This program has the approval of the appropriate councils and the University Senate and has completed the 45 day review process of the Council on Postsecondary Education. The Provost of the University supports this recommendation. College of Fine Arts Interim Dean David Sogin and Department of Theatre & Dance Chair Nancy Jones were present. A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Trustee Mike Christian, which was seconded by Trustee Cammie Grant. Interim Dean Sogin mentioned that this is exciting for the College of Fine Arts. The minor program has been successful, so this will open up a whole broad spectrum for students. Finding no additional discussion, Chair Edwards called for a vote, and the motion passed without dissent.

Chair Edwards said that PR 3 is on the agenda for consideration and approval by the ASAC to recommend to full board for approval.

PR 3: Proposed Revision To Governing Regulation: Lecturer Series In Lewis Honors College.

The Recommendation is that the Board of Trustees receive and vote to accept for the first reading the attached revision to *Governing Regulation (GR) VII, University Organization*. The revision, if approved, will allow Lecturer Series faculty to hold primary appointments in the Lewis Honors College. By way of background, at its December 2015 meeting, the Board of Trustees accepted a \$15,000,000 pledge and acknowledged a total commitment of \$23,000,000 from the T. W. Lewis Foundation to transform the UK Honors Program into the Lewis Honors College. At its June 2016 meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the establishment of the Lewis Honors College. The Provost appointed a transition team to assist with determining the College's structure and curriculum. Central to the new Honors curriculum will be a foundational seminar, "The Individual and Society," that will be required of all Honors underclassmen. The

transition team opined that the College's mission would be better served if a cohort of instructors had primary appointments in the Honors College to provide adequate instructional support for the proposed foundational seminar. Governing Regulation VII, establishing the Honors College, states that all faculty in the Honors College will have primary appointments in other colleges. Therefore, the transition team proposed a change in the Governing Regulation to allow for a primary appointment of Lecturer Series faculty to the Honors College. Regular UK faculty members will continue to play the lead instructional role in the expanded Honors curriculum. This proposal has been reviewed and endorsed by the Lewis Honors College faculty of record, Senate Committee on Academic Organization and Structure, and the University Senate. The President, the Provost, and the Interim Dean of the Lewis Honors College support the proposed revision. In accordance with *Governing Regulation (GR) XIII, University Regulations*, the Staff Senate and Student Government Association will have the opportunity to comment on the proposed revision before final action by the Board of Trustees. A revised copy of GR VII is attached. Proposed additions are underlined; proposed deletions are lined through. A motion was made by Trustee Bob Grossman to approve the recommendation, which was seconded by Trustee Mike Christian. Trustee (and SGA President) Rowan Reid commented that student government has passed this through their Senate, so they have already been consulted. Provost Tracy confirmed with University Senate Chair Katherine McCormick, that the University Senate has also passed it. Provost Tracy pointed out that this is a first reading before the ASAC—there will then be a final reading, and that both the SGA Senate and the University Senate have both opined on it and been in support of it. He said that this allows for more instructional capacity in the Lewis Honors College. The current regulations do not allow appointment of lecturers in anything other than educational units granting degrees, which the Lewis Honors College does not do. This will allow these individuals to have appointments there and teach in the Lewis Honors College as well as have relationships with the colleges across the university that relate to their disciplines. Finding no other discussion, Chair Edwards called for a vote to approve PR 3 for recommendation to the full Board; the motion passed without dissent.

Finding no further business to come before the committee, Chair Edwards entertained a motion to adjourn. Trustee C.B. Akins, Sr. moved adjournment, it was seconded by Trustee Kelly Holland and the meeting adjourned at 11:58am.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Edwards  
Academic and Student Affairs Committee

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