

Board of Trustees Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting

March 11, 2021 Roaden University Center, Room 282

MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 - CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee met on March 11, 2021, in Roaden University Center, Room 282. Chair Rose called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Chair Rose asked Lee Wray, Secretary, to call the roll. The following members were present:

- Daniel Hines
- Barry Wilmore
- Rhedona Rose

Trustee Fred Lowery participated remotely. He confirmed he could simultaneously hear and speak to the Board members, he received the Board materials in advance of the meeting, and he was the only person present in the location from which he was calling.

Tennessee Tech faculty, staff, and members of the public were also in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Rose asked if there were any recommendations or changes to the minutes. With no recommendations or changes, Trustee Lowery moved to approve the minutes from December 1, 2020. Trustee Wilmore seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – SACSCOC Update

Provost Bruce provided an update on the progress of Tennessee Tech's SACSCOC accreditation cycle, stating that the university is approximately one-year away from submission of the five-year interim report. Provost Bruce shared a brief overview of the planning for such accreditation visits and acknowledged the many members of Tennessee Tech's administration, faculty, and staff involved in the process.

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AGENDA ITEM 4 – PROGRESS ON STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES

Provost Bruce updated the Academic and Student Affairs Committee on a few key initiatives that came directly out of the strategic planning groups, focusing at this meeting on components from two of the four initiatives. Efforts were highlighted in the Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning (CITL), the Center for Advancing Faculty Excellence (CAFÉ), and the Office of Institutional Assessment, Research, and Effectiveness (I-ARE).

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Ethnic Diversity Enrollment

Dr. Rob Owens and Dr. Brandon Johnson shared an update on the University's ethnic diversity enrollment goals, recruitment plans, and how these are linked back to the strategic goals of Tennessee Tech.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE (OVC) UPDATE

President Oldham and Athletic Director, Mark Wilson, shared an update on Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) membership changes and plans.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

Approved,

Lee Wray, Secretary

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