



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

November 30, 2012

Members of the Board Academic Matters Committee
Ed Hightower, Chair
Donna Manering
John Simmons

The Academic Matters Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 13, 2012, in Ballroom B in the Student Center at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

The following items are suggested for the agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the November 8, 2012, Meeting (enclosure)
2. Recommendation for University Distinguished Service Award, SIUC [Ella Phillips Lacey] (Board Agenda Item J)
3. Recommendation for University Distinguished Service Award, SIUC [Pamela Pfeffer] (Board Agenda Item K)
4. Recommendation for University Distinguished Service Award, SIUC [Philip Pfeffer] (Board Agenda Item L)
5. Recommendation for Honorary Degree, SIUC [Robert Murphy] (Board Agenda Item M)
6. Recommendation for University Distinguished Service Award, SIUE [Jerry and Mary Kane] (Board Agenda Item N)
7. Presentation: *The SIU Debate Team*
Presenters: Todd Graham, Director of Debate
Members of the SIU Debate Team
8. Other Business

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Sarvela
Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Enclosure

cc: Jesse Cler
David Hamilton
Roger Herrin
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Minutes of the Academic Matters Committee Meeting

November 8, 2012

The Academic Matters Committee met at 9:13 a.m. on Thursday, November 8, 2012, in the Conference Center on the second floor of the Delyte W. Morris University Center at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Present were: Donna Manering, chair pro tem, and Ed Hightower. Absent was: John Simmons. Other Board members present were: Jesse Cler, David Hamilton, Roger Herrin, Mark Hinrichs, and Marquita Wiley. Board member absent: Don Lowery. Executive Officers present were: President Glenn Poshard; Chancellor Rita Cheng, SIUC; Chancellor Julie Furst-Bowe, SIUE; Vice President Paul D. Sarvela; and Senior Vice President Duane Stucky.

Minutes

Motion was made by Trustee Ed Hightower to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2012, meeting. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee Donna Manering and passed by Committee.

Information Report: *IBHE Update*

Vice President Paul Sarvela provided an update on two IBHE initiatives: performance-based funding and the 120-credit-hour bachelor's degree. He stated that IBHE is reviewing the performance-based funding model, which was implemented this budget year, and is considering adding up to four more variables that will be used to determine budget allocations. Those variables are cost per credit hour, cost per completion, credit hour accumulation, and time to completion. Related to performance-based funding is a new initiative, the 120-credit-hour bachelor's degree, in which universities are being asked to consider enacting caps of 120 credit hours to their bachelor's degrees, with exceptions for programs that might have accreditation requirements of more than 120 credit hours. This initiative is being looked at as one way to improve time to degree and cost of completion.

Presentation: *Xfest: A Step Ahead*

Professors Peter Cocuzza and Chuck Harper of the Department of Theater and Dance, along with students Sharaina Turnage and Wes Robinson and alumna Anna Skidis, presented information about Xfest, SIUE's experimental theater festival.

Other Business

Having no further business before it, the Academic Matters Committee adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

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