



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

June 28, 2013

Members of the Board Academic Matters Committee

Shirley Portwood, Chair
Don Lowery
Donna Manering

The Academic Matters Committee will meet following the Executive Committee on Thursday, July 11, 2013, in the Auditorium at the SIU School of Medicine, 801 North Rutledge, Springfield, Illinois.

The following items are suggested for the agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the May 9, 2013, Meeting (enclosure)
2. Information Report: Approval of New Programs, Reasonable and Moderate Extensions, Approval of Off-Campus Program Locations, and Academic Program Eliminations and Suspensions, July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013 (Board Agenda Item H)
3. Presentation: *The Continuum of Medical Education*

Presenters: J. Kevin Dorsey, Dean and Provost, SIU School of Medicine
Jerry E. Kruse, Executive Associate Dean and Chief Executive Officer - SIU HealthCare, SIU School of Medicine
Ted R. Clark, Assistant Professor and Assistant Program Director/
Director of Medical Student Education, Surgery - Emergency Medicine, SIU School of Medicine

4. 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
Roger Herrin
Nick Mehner

MG (Ret) Randal Thomas
Marquita T. Wiley
Glenn Poshard

Rita Cheng
Julie Furst-Bowe
Other Interested Parties

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Minutes of the Academic Matters Committee Meeting

May 9, 2013

The Academic Matters Committee met at 9:15 a.m. on Thursday, May 9, 2013, in Ballroom B in the Student Center at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Present were: Shirley Portwood, chair; David Hamilton; Don Lowery; and Donna Manering. Other Board members present were: Jesse Cler, Roger Herrin, Randal Thomas, and Marquita Wiley. 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 David Hamilton to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2012, meeting. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee Donna Manering and passed by Committee.

Presentation: *Engineers Without Borders: El Sauce, Honduras Water Supply Project*

Dr. Bruce DeVantier explained that Engineers Without Borders (EWB) SIUC is a registered student organization that fosters professionalism in the context of care for humanity. Dr. DeVantier introduced Brad Wurl, Michael Godinho, and Daniel O'Dell, who talked about the history of the organization and about its water supply project in El Sauce, Honduras. It was noted during the presentation that the SIUC and SIUE chapters of Engineers Without Borders partnered in a previous humanitarian project, which serves as an example of cooperation between the two campuses.

Information Report: *Success at Southern Illinois University / Fiscal Year 2012 Performance Report*

Vice President Paul Sarvela presented the fiscal year 2012 "good news" report, noting several examples of faculty, staff, and student activities and achievements.

Endorsement of Pathways to Excellence: A Strategic Plan, SIUC (Board Agenda Item CCC)

Chancellor Rita Cheng provided a history of the strategic planning process and presented the new strategic plan to the Board for its endorsement. She noted that the Higher Learning Commission, in its report following a campus site visit, asked the

campus to look at six areas in the development of a new long-term plan: (1) budget, (2) student access, (3) enrollment management, (4) research mission, (5) marketing and branding, and (6) employee relations. The Chancellor also explained that the takeaway from the strategic planning process included a rewording and simplification of the campus' mission statement: "SIU embraces a unique tradition of access and opportunity, inclusive excellence, innovation in research and creativity, and outstanding teaching focused on nurturing student success. As a nationally ranked public research university and regional economic catalyst, we create and exchange knowledge to shape future leaders, improve our communities, and transform lives."

In response to Trustee Manering's request as to the use of surveys, Chancellor Cheng responded that the campus sent surveys, used focus groups, conducted listening sessions, and received input through computer-based feedback forms. She said she would send that information to Trustee Manering.

Motion was made to include the SIUC strategic plan on the Board's omnibus motion. The motion was duly seconded and passed by Committee.

Information Report: *Minority, Women, and Disabled Students, Faculty and Staff, Annual Report 2012*

Vice President Sarvela noted that this report provides documentation to the activities SIU faculty and staff have implemented to eliminate achievement gaps identified in goal one of the *Illinois Public Agenda*: eliminating achievement gaps by race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, gender, and disability. He noted that progress and improvements as well as challenges are described in the report. Paul Pitts, Wesley McNeese, and Linda McCabe Smith provided more detailed information about their respective campus reports.

Following Mr. Pitts' report, Chair Portwood noted that SIUE's Black professional enrollment has been declining over five years and asked for an explanation for that. Mr. Pitts responded that he did not have that information readily available but would send it to Chair Portwood.

Following Dr. McNeese's report, Chair Portwood asked for confirmation that there are no students with disabilities enrolled in the School of Medicine and that the buildings are accessible for students with disabilities. Dr. McNeese responded that there was nothing statistically significant as far as enrollment of students with disabilities, and the likely reason for that is that students with disabilities have not applied to the school, not that the school is unwilling to accept them. He also noted that the buildings are accessible to people with disabilities.

Following Dr. McCabe Smith's report, Trustee Herrin asked if the numbers she gave factored in the overall declining enrollment. Dr. McCabe Smith responded that it did, to which Trustee Herrin commended the campus for doing so well in increasing the number of minority students and employees.

In response to Trustee Manering's question of how SIU Carbondale was doing in the recruitment of Black faculty members, Dr. McCabe Smith explained the proactive approaches SIUC was making to increase the number of Black faculty on campus.

Trustee Hamilton asked what the campuses could do to attract a more diverse faculty, and Dr. McCabe Smith stated that mentorship and building a connection between the University and the community are both important issues.

Other Business

Having no further business before it, the Academic Matters Committee adjourned.

PDS/am