

## University Council Minutes

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November 30, 2023, 2:32 p.m. (Forest Room and Virtual Teams Meeting)

Meeting Called to Order by Dr. Christopher Maynard, Provost

### IN ATTENDANCE

**UC Members:** Matthew Aschenbrener, Stephen Cotten, Mark Denney, Yolanda Edmond, Kathleen Garland, Allison Gillespie, Sherry Hawn, Lee Hilyer, Rebecca Huss-Keeler, Daniel Imrecke, Angela Kelling, Nick Kelling, Renee Lastrapes, Kathryn Matthew, Christopher Maynard, Dillon Nash, Joan Pedro, Robert Phalen, Tina Powellson, David Rachita, Timothy Richardson, Glen Sanford, Gene Shan, Joseph Staley, Edward Waller, Christine Walther

**UC Members (online):** Sherry Hawn, Beth Lewis

**Ex-Officio Members:** Yolanda Nimmer-Williams, Natalie Pecknold (online), Wayne Sallee

### ACTION ITEMS

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#### Approval of Minutes

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The October 26, 2023 meeting minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved.

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#### Facilities and Support Services Committee (FSSC)

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Dr. Rebecca Huss-Keeler presented the permanent space allocation request from Student Success & Initiatives (SSI) for an Exploring Majors Office. The new initiative serves as a single point of contact for exploring students by coordinating services with Admissions, Advising, Career Services, Faculty, and other Stakeholders. The allocation request is for Student Services Classroom Building 3312.

Motion presented – motion approved.

### INFORMATION ITEMS

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#### Academic Council

Chair, Dr. Christopher Maynard

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No agenda items.

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## **Facilities and Support Services Committee (FSSC)**

**Chair, Dr. Rebecca Huss-Keeler**

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Dr. Rebecca Huss-Keeler shared the below updates.

- University Staff Association (USA) will have moveable parking spots for the monthly spirit award winners near each of the buildings.
- The Mobile Pay system vendor for visitors will give a presentation at the December Parking meeting.
- EV charging stations will not be increased due to the high cost.
- A new pedestrian entrance will be created in lot D and replacement of bollards imbedded into the surface.
- There is a need to increase parking fees by 10% to \$110.00.
- Visitors from UH who want to park at UHCL will need to download a UH hangtag and display it when parking at UHCL.
- For students that have a decal and did not display it, the fine will be \$5 instead of \$45.
- The road behind lot D will not be paved due to cost.
- Planning for parking capacity is needed with the plan of losing half of lot B when the Student Center is built. Groundbreaking is anticipated for spring 2026.

Mr. Denney announced Douglas Wells as the new AVP for Facilities, Maintenance, and Construction. Mr. Wells will start January 2, 2024.

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## **Planning and Budget Committee (PBC)**

**Chair, Dr. Nick Kelling**

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No agenda items.

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## **University Life Committee (ULC)**

**Chair, Dr. Angela Kelling**

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No agenda items.

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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

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- CanonDesign is the program design firm hired for the renovation project. They met with different constituents from Executive Leadership, Students, Faculty from the College of Science and Engineering and Human Sciences and Humanities regarding general concepts and thoughts about renovations in the building.
- The Office of the President will be relocating to SSCB 3203 on December 20, 2023 during renovations through the spring semester.
- Strategic Partnerships is moving to B2117 in the College of Business.
- The Spirit store will be moved to the west entrance of the Bayou Building.

- The President's Council consists of alumni and key community members and will meet twice a year in the fall and spring. This is to ensure that we hear from them, share the vision of the university about where we are going, and receive advice and guidance from them. The first meeting will be on December 7, 2023.
- Student Regent Mielad Ziaee visited UHCL on November 29, 2023. Mr. Ziaee met with President Walker, Student Government, Student Leaders, Dr. Powellson, and Dr. Gillespie to talk about student issues, student needs, and UHCL.
- Commencement will be held at NRG Arena on Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 10 am and 3pm.
- A campus communication on enrollment strategies is being developed by Dr. Aschenbrener and Mr. Ramirez. The communication will include strategic initiatives from the Division of Strategic Enrollment Management and the Marketing and Communication piece. Faculty and Staff will be updated accordingly.

## **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

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Mr. Denney informed everyone that the Texas Medical Center (TMC) open house is January 18, 2024.

Dr. Sanford shared that a memorial will be held for Professor Emerita Gretchen Mieszkowski in the Garden Room on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 2:00 pm. She was a charter faculty in the College of Human Sciences and Humanities.

Dr. Pedro announced the College of Education fall 2023 induction ceremony will be held on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm. The Doctoral reception will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 5:30 pm.

### **Next Meeting**

**January 25, 2023, | 2:00 p.m., Forest Room and Virtual via Teams**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:04 p.m.