COMMISSION ON UNIVERSITY SUPPORT
MEETING
September 16, 2021
Videoconference (via Zoom)

Present: John Benner (Chair), Michael Borowski, Holly Carroll, William Dougherty for Scott Midkiff, Alisha Ebert for Bob Broyden, Martha Glass, Debbie Greer for Ken Miller, Ariel Heminger, Kristi Caddick, for Charlie Phlegar, Polly Middleton, Jon Clark Teglas for Chris Kiwus, Jim Tokuhisa

Absent with Notice: Judy Alford, Jeff Earley, Bradley Klein, Connie Stovall

Absent: Patrick Pithua, Kimani Jackson, Paul Winistorfer

Guests: Mary-Ann Ibeziako, Nick Quint, April Myers

1. Welcome and Roll Call

Commission Chair, John Benner, called the meeting to order at 2:00p.m.; initiated introductions and roll call. A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Agenda

Proper motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to adopt the September 2021 agenda.

3. Approval of the April 2021 meeting minutes

Chair Benner noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the Web (http://www.governance.vt.edu).

4. Old Business

Chair Benner reported that we are is still looking for a Vice Chair. He shared the primary role and responsibilities of the Vice Chair and asked that if anyone has any interest to please reach out for further discussion.

5. New Business

Chair Benner read the Commission Charge to the group.

Resolution CUS 2021-22A Resolution to Change Membership to TPC: Nick Quint, Network Transportation Manager, was present as representative for the Parking and Transportation Committee. He shared that this committee deals with ADA issues and, to date, there has been no representative from the office of Equity and Accessibility. The committee feels it is a good idea to include such representative and this Resolution would do so. This would be a voting member of the committee.
First reading of the resolution was carried out and accepted with one minor change to correct “Access to Accessibility”. The subject resolution will now go to the five senates for review.

6. **Updates from Committee Representatives**

Campus Development Committee – No update.

Energy and Sustainability Committee – Mary-Ann Ibeziako reported implementation of the VT 2020 Climate Action Commitment is well under way; the university received a gold rating with the STARS program; Earth Week had over 40 events and was the largest in Virginia Tech history; call for Green RFP projects issued on September 2; the committee’s first meeting is coming up on September 27.

IT Services and Systems Committee – William Dougherty reported they have not had a meeting yet but have finalized the roster. He provided a heads up that a Resolution will likely be coming before the Commission to increase the size of membership.

Transportation and Parking Committee – No update.

7. **Acceptance of Committee Minutes**

Campus Development Committee – No new minutes submitted to the Commission.

Energy and Sustainability Committee – No new minutes submitted to the Commission.

IT Services and Systems Committee – No new minutes submitted to the Commission.

Transportation and Parking Committee – No new minutes submitted to the Commission.

8. **Next Meeting Date**

Next meeting date is October 15, 2021. Chair Benner opened the floor for ideas of topics for meetings. The following topics were submitted:
- Presentation on DC/Metro Region;
- Parking and construction on campus;
- Campus Master Plan and including the Roanoke and NCR areas;
- Presentation on Application of Biopolymers in Agriculture;
- Presentation on Farm & Agricultural Safety Training Program;
- Presentation on Sustainable Precision Animal Agriculture Platform of the Center for Advanced Innovation in Agriculture

9. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, proper motion was made for meeting adjournment at 2:36pm.