

**COMMISSION ON UNIVERSITY SUPPORT
MEETING MINUTES
April 19, 2018
130 Burruss Hall**

ATTENDEES

Members Present: Judy Alford, Richard Ashley, Jonathan Bradley, William Dougherty (for Scott Midkiff) Kelly Fomenko, Robin Jones, Bradley Klein, Brad Martens (for Julia Ross), Savita Sharma (for Dwight Shelton), Jeremy Smith, Kayla Smith (for Sherwood Wilson), Benjamin Tracy

Members Absent: John Brenner (with notice), Tracy Gilmore, Chris Kiwus (with notice), Charlie Phlegar, Ken Smith, Sarah Woodward (with notice)

Guests: Patty Beckstead, Denny Cochrane, Erin McCann, Jack Washington

Recorder: Sarah McCoy

1. Call to Order & Welcome

The Chair, Richard Ashley, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

The Commission approved the March 15, 2018 meeting minutes.

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda

The Commission approved the April 19, 2018 meeting agenda.

4. Presentation

The Commission received a presentation by Erin McCann, Director of Strategic Planning, on the university's current Strategic Planning process. The presentation, a feedback survey, and other resources regarding the process can be accessed on the website:

<http://www.beyondboundaries.vt.edu/strategicplanning.html>

5. Old Business

a. **Resolution CUS2017-18A Rename, Update Charge, and Change Membership of the Computing and Communication Resource Committee** was passed by University Council on April 16, 2018.

b. **Resolution CUS2017-18B Update Membership of the Campus Development Committee** was passed by University Council on April 16, 2018.

6. New Business

Nomination and election of 2018-19 Commission Chair - Jonathan Bradley made a self-nomination to serve as Commission Chair for the 2018-19 session. A motion to name Mr. Bradley as Chair was unanimously passed by the committee.

7. Reports from Committee Chairs / Representatives

a. Campus Development Committee – Jack Washington

The Committee last met on February 22, 2018. Updates were provided on landscaping projects and the Western Perimeter Road. Also discussed was the recently passed Resolution CUS 2017-18A, to add members to the committee.

After the committee report was received, members of the Commission offered feedback regarding the Union Park (baseball stadium) construction. Large construction and delivery vehicles are causing some traffic congestion on Duckpond and Southgate Drives. A member also noted that the sound from the PA system, which is reportedly used during both practices and games, is disruptive during the workday to individuals in the Veterinary Medicine facility. At the Chair's recommendation, the Committee passed, with one abstention, a motion requesting that representatives from the Campus Development Committee investigate the noise concern and report back to the Commission next academic year.

b. Energy & Sustainability – Denny Cochrane

The Committee last met on March 26, 2018. The university has received a Gold rating through the STARS (Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System). The committee is working to update University Policy 5505, *Campus Energy, Water, and Waste Reduction Policy*. The Green RFP program had 12 proposals approved, totaling approximately \$125,000. This week is Earth Week; the Committee invited all members of the university community to participate in related activities as they are able:

<https://www.facilities.vt.edu/sustainability/sustainability-programs/earth-week.html>

c. Transportation & Parking Committee – No report was given.

8. Acceptance of Committee Minutes

The Commission accepted the following committee minutes for posting:

- a.** Campus Development Committee minutes from March 22, 2018
- b.** Energy and Sustainability Committee minutes from February 26, 2018
- c.** Transportation & Parking Committee minutes from March 14, 2018

9. Next Meeting Date

The 2018-19 meeting dates and location(s) will be announced in mid-to-late summer.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah McCoy