

## **COLLEGE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**April 17, 2014**

The meeting of the College Council was called to order at 11:20 a.m.; Dean Fabritius presided. The minutes of the February 20, 2014, College Council meeting were approved as distributed.

### **REPORTS**

Below are highlights from a series of administrative and committee reports. Brief updates were also given by Mary Gulley for the Convocations Committee, Sharon Duncan for Staff Congress and Cody Cook for the Student Government Association.

#### **Vice President for College Relations**

Richard Trollinger announced a \$40,000,000 gift commitment from Marlene and David Grissom. Mr. Grissom served as Chairman of the Centre College Board of Trustees for 22 years. The gift will fully endow 10 annual full tuition scholarships for high achieving, high need, first-generation, college students. Recruiting will begin now for the first class entering in the fall of 2015. The Grissoms have asked that there be no public announcement of the gift.

#### **Vice President and Dean of the College**

Dean Fabritius reported that she and Mary Gulley and Beth Glazier-McDonald met with a group of students to address a number student questions and concerns, including issues related to study abroad, course evaluations, grading, AP credit policy and academic standards. She also reported that we have successfully concluded most of our faculty searches for next year.

#### **Student Life Office**

Deans Hays reported that a group of students chose Sandella's Flatbread Café to replace the Jazzman's Café located in Sutcliffe. Sandella's will open in the fall.

#### **Diversity and Community Committee**

J.H. Atkins reported that Centre's first black alumni weekend was held last weekend on campus. Plans are already underway to repeat this successful event next year and several participants have set up a Centre black alumni Facebook page.

#### **Planning and Priorities Committee**

Clarence Wyatt reported that a draft of Centre's "re-focused" strategic plan has been released to the campus community and a series of six open meetings have been scheduled to provide opportunities to comment on the draft. The Board of Trustees planning committee has authorized the beginning of the process of developing an operational plan for the strategic plan.

#### **SACSCOC Report**

Stephanie Fabritius reported that we starting to prepare for the reaccreditation process required of us every 10 years by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. A leadership team is in place and many members of the campus community will be asked to help with this effort. Our compliance report is due March, 2015, our Quality Enhancement Plan is due in August or September, 2015, and a peer evaluation team will visit the campus in October 2015.

### **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

In response to a question, Kay Drake reported that a memo will go out soon about adding e-cigarettes to our smoking policy.

The meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.  
Tim Culhan, Secretary

Present:

J.H. Atkins  
Jay Bloom  
Rachel Carter  
Cody Cook  
Lenny Demoranville  
Kay Drake  
Sharon Duncan

Stephanie Fabritius  
Mary Gulley  
Randy Hays  
Ben Knoll  
Yvonne Morley  
Marie Nydam  
Kerry Paumi

Stacey Peebles  
Forrest Stonedahl  
Ellen Swanson  
Richard Trollinger  
Beau Weston  
Clarence Wyatt  
Ann Young