

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
August 1, 2018

Committee Trustees: Carbray, Dennis-LaVigne, Gouin, Lobo (Telephone), Rubin, Savino

Additional Trustees: Bessette, Boxer, Bunnell, Cantor (Telephone), Cloud, Kruger, Nayden (Telephone), O'Connor, Reviczky, Ritter, Donohue, Governor Malloy's designee (Telephone)

University Senate: Ba, Chafouleas, VanHeest

Staff: Agwunobi, Cruickshank, Fuerst, Gelston, Gilbert, Herbst, Holsinger, Jordan, Kendig Kirk, Larson, Mundrane, Murchison, Reitz, Rubin, Shoulson, Volin, Weiner, Wetstone

Guests: Rusling, Peters

Committee Chairwoman Dennis-LaVigne convened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the University of Connecticut, Peter J. Werth Residence Tower, Room 112, Storrs Campus.

On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Carbray, the minutes of the May 2, 2018, meeting were approved as circulated.

Provost Kennedy introduced *Action Item # 2, Tenure at Hire*. Moved by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Savino, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Kennedy introduced *Action Item #3, Designation of Emeritus Status and Action Item #4, Sabbatical Leave Recommendations*. Moved by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Carbray, the Committee recommended designation and approval to the full Board.

Provost Kennedy introduced *Action Item #5 Appointment of Professor James Rusling to the Paul Krenicki Professorship of Chemistry in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences*. Moved by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Carbray, the Committee recommended appointment to the full Board.

Provost Kennedy introduced *Action Item #6 Appointment of Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor of Pharmaceuticals Diane J. Burgess to the Pfizer Distinguished Chair in Pharmaceutical Technology in the School of Pharmacy*. Moved by Trustee Carbray, seconded by Trustee Gouin, the Committee recommended appointment to the full Board.

Provost Kennedy introduced *Action Item #7, Professional Master's in Intraoperative Neuromonitoring (PMIN); Action Item #8, Graduate Certificate in Literary Translation; Action Item #9, Bachelor of Arts in Arabic and Islamic Civilizations in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences*. Moved by Trustee Carbray, seconded by Trustee Gouin, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Kennedy introduced *Informational Item #10, Centers and Institutes*.

Provost Kennedy introduced *Informational Item #11, Academic Program Inventory*.

On a motion by Trustee Carbray, seconded by Trustee Lobo, the Committee voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 9:10 a.m. to:

1. Discuss the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public officer or employee, provided that such individual may require that discussion be held at an open meeting.

Committee Chairwoman Dennis-LaVigne noted that on the advice of counsel only staff members whose presence was necessary to provide their opinion would be permitted to attend the Executive Session.

Trustees Bessette, Boxer, Bunnell, Carbray, Cloud, Dennis-LaVigne, Gouin, Kruger, O'Connor, Reviczky, Ritter, Rubin, and Savino were in attendance. Trustees Cantor, Lobo, Nayden, and Donahue participated by telephone.

The following University staff were present for the entire Executive Session: General Counsel Gelston, Deputy Chief of Staff Kirk, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, Vice Provost Volin, and Committee Secretary White.

The following University staff were present for portions of the Executive Session: Assistant Professor Paul Borochnin, Dean Elliott, Professor Teitelbaum, and Dr. Peters, former Vice President of the UConn Chapter of the AAUP, was also present for portions of the Executive Session.

The Executive Session ended at 10:41 a.m. The Committee returned to Open Session at 10:42 a.m.

On a motion by Trustee Carbray, seconded by Trustee Savino, the Committee voted unanimously to add *Faculty Grievance Appeal* to the agenda.

On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Rubin, the Committee voted to deny the faculty grievance appeal filed by Assistant Professor Paul Borochnin. Trustee Carbray abstained.

Committee Chairwoman Dennis-LaVigne adjourned the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia W. White
Committee Secretary