

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
December 9, 2020

Committee Trustees: Dennis-LaVigne, Fang, Gouin, Lobo and Rubin

Additional Trustees: Bessette, Boxer, Bunnell, Cantor, Gandara, O'Connor, Ritter, Toscano, and Werstler

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Committee Chairwoman Gouin convened the meeting at 8:31 a.m. via phone call.

No public comment was volunteered on any of the agenda items.

On a motion by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Fang, the minutes of the October 28, 2020 meeting were approved as circulated.

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

Provost Lejuez introduced **Action Item #3 Designation of Emeritus Status**. Moved by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Fang, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez introduced **Action Item #4 Sabbatical Leave Recommendations**. Moved by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Trustee Rubin, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez introduced **Action Item #5 Appointment of Mark Urban, PhD, as the Arden Chair in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences**. Moved by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Fang, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez introduced **Action Item #6 Master of Science in Regenerative Engineering**. Moved by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Fang, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez introduced **Action Item #7 Additional program location in Storrs for the Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Public Management**. Moved by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez shared **Informational Item #8, Academic Program Inventory, Informational Item #9, Centers and Institutes, and Informational Item # 10, Early College Experience**.

Suzanne A. Onorato, PhD, Executive Director, Student Health and Wellness then shared a presentation on Covid-19 Surveillance Testing Strategy.

Trustee Dennis-LaVigne called a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Trustee Rubin.
Chairwoman Gouin adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah K. Croucher
Committee Secretary