

**University Council
Meeting Minutes
Winslow Hall Conference Room
Monday, March 14, 2022**

Members Present:

Randy Woodson, RaJade Berry-James, Frank Buckless, Boo Corrigan, Tim Danielson, Deanna Dannels, Helen DiPietro, Harry Daniels (for John Dole), Paula Gentius, Deveshwar Hariharan, Peter Harries, Cecile Hinson, Marc Hoit, Kevin Howell, Mark Hoversten, Krista Ringler (for Don Hunt), Hans Kellner, Charlie Maimone, Louis Martin-Vega, Kim McAllister, John Blondin (for Chris McGahan); Kate Meurs, Allison Newhart, Margery Overton, Greg Raschke, Sheri Schwab, Bret Smith (for Doneka Scott), Jim Broschart (for Brian Sischo), Kim Grainger (for Katharine Stewart), Benny Suggs, Paola Sztajn, Mladen Vouk.

Chancellor Woodson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Announcements

Chancellor Woodson began by recognizing changes in student, faculty and staff leadership. Student Senate President Molly Vanhoy will complete her term next month. Student Body President McKenzie Heavlin and Graduate Student Association President Deveshwar Harhiaran were re-elected and will begin their second terms in April. Chancellor also thanked Hans Kellner, Immediate Past Chair of the Faculty, and Helen DiPietro, Chair of Staff Senate, for their service, as this will be their last University Council Meeting. Chancellor Woodson then welcomed Tim Danielson, the Associate Vice Chancellor for University Human Resources, to his first University Council meeting.

Chancellor Woodson provided updates on recent accolades for the university. NC State was recently named the top employer in the state of North Carolina on the annual list released by *Forbes* and *Statista*. The list is based on the results of anonymous surveys from 60,000 Americans working for businesses with at least 1,000 employees. This result shows impressive growth, as NC State was ranked 4th in 2021 and 9th in 2020. The university was ranked 54th nationally. Only five universities placed higher than NC State in the national rankings. Chancellor Woodson also acknowledged the recent updates to the NC State website (ncsu.edu) to make the site more accessible to prospective students and families as well as industry and research partners. Chancellor Woodson then highlighted recent success from NC State Athletics, including Boo Corrigan's selection as Athletics Director of the Year, 4 ACC Championship wins, and 1 NCAA Championship win to date. Chancellor Woodson also reminded members of important upcoming events, including Day of Giving on March 23, the Plant Sciences Building dedication on April 12, the Celebration of Faculty Excellence on May 4, and Commencement on May 7.

Senior Vice Provost for Institutional Strategy and Analysis Margery Overton shared updates on two UNC System Office requests. The biennial UNC System Employee Engagement Survey will open on March 28. All permanent, full-time faculty and staff will have the opportunity to share their feedback by April 11. The UNC System is also refreshing its strategic plan and wants the NC State community's feedback on the current plan's goals and metrics, as well as ideas for potential new goals and metrics. A virtual town hall will be held on Monday, March 21 at 11 a.m. and University Council members are encouraged to submit feedback online and attend the town hall. Senior Vice Provost Overton also provided leadership updates. Institute for Emerging Issues Director and Vice Provost for Outreach and Engagement Leslie Boney will retire from his position at NC State effective May 1. In the interim, Boney's position will be divided into two parts to reflect his two different roles. Searches are also underway for the Senior Vice Provost of Instructional Programs and the Senior Vice Provost for University Interdisciplinary Programs. Progress continues in the dean searches for the Colleges of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Education, and Veterinary Medicine. An announcement regarding the new dean for the College of Veterinary Medicine is

expected this week. Finalist interviews for the College of Education dean concluded on March 3, and an announcement is expected in the coming weeks.

Information:

Policies / Regulations / Programs enacted since the January 11, 2022 University Council Meeting were approved.

<https://generalcounsel.ncsu.edu/legal-resources/policies-and-regulations/prrs-recently-enactedapproved/>

<https://provost.ncsu.edu/proposed-revisions/>

Approvals

The January 11, 2022 minutes were approved.

Presentation

Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Doug Morton and University Architect Lisa Johnson presented an update on the Physical Master Plan.

Associate Vice Chancellor Morton explained that work began on the new Physical Master Plan in spring of 2021 and has been largely driven by input from the campus community. At the time of the presentation, more than 20,000 responses had been collected from campus. The steering committee used that feedback to create a set of guiding principles to inform the master planning process and future growth of NC State. The guiding principles are: reinforce culture and place, steward campus resources, elevate the campus experience, align facilities with mission, strengthen campus connections and ensure infrastructure reliability.

University Architect Lisa Johnson presented four observations that have risen from the Physical Master Plan process. First, the arrival experience to NC State's hallowed places often does not enhance the quality and character of NC State. Second, some of NC State's most intensely used pedestrian paths on North and Central Campus are streets and parking. Third, physical and programmatic connectivity between Centennial and Main Campus is a critical issue. Fourth, North Campus energy and activity dissipates after the academic hours of the day.

Associate Vice Chancellor Morton and University Architect Johnson also provided overviews of possible future scenarios for the North, Central, West, and Centennial campus precincts and outlined next steps in Physical Master Plan Process.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.