

UTHSC ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Monday, August 19, 2019
Student Alumni Center
O.D. Larry Dining Hall
800 Madison Avenue, Memphis, TN

MINUTES

Present:

Board Members:

Dr. Philip Wenk, *Chair*
Dr. Lynn Massingale
Mr. Andrew McBride (Student
Member)
Honorable Mark Norris
Dr. Natalie Tate
Dr. Michael Ugwueke

Staff:

Dr. Steve Schwab
Dr. Kennard Brown
Mr. Anthony Ferrara,
Secretary
Mr. Love Collins
Dr. Steve Goodman
Dr. Lori Gonzalez

Deans:

Dr. Steve Alway
Dr. Marie Chisholm-Burns
Dr. Wendy Likes
Dr. James Ragain
Dr. Don Thomason
Dr. Scott Strome

Guests: members of the HSC community and public were present for the meeting

Absent:

Board Members:

Dr. Terry Cooper (Faculty Member)

1. Call to Order

Dr. Wenk called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM and Mr. Ferrara called the roll. There were sufficient members present to declare a quorum.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the May 20, 2019 Meeting

Dr. Wenk noted the minutes of the Board May meeting and asked for approval. Judge Norris moved approval and Dr. Ugwueke seconded, the Board approved the minutes unanimously.

3. Introduction of the SGAEC President as the New Student Member of the Advisory Board

Dr. Wenk introduced Andrew McBride as the new student member of the Advisory Board noting that he attended the May meeting.

4. Chancellor's Report

Dr. Schwab welcomed everyone to the Health Science Center and indicated the concentration for this meeting would be the Campus Master Plan and Dr. Brown would provide background and then the group on a tour of a portion of the Memphis campus. He noted we have just ended a successful year with record enrollment and revenue. There would be more to come as we close the books and provide reports to Board. He also congratulated Dr. Ugwueke and the rise in rankings for Le Bonheur Children's Hospital. He then provided an update on the campus' clinical affiliation agreements.

Dr. Schwab then noted that the HSC has become the first public university in the state to institute a \$15 per hour minimum pay rate effective July 1. There is still work to do for FY 2020, namely to push for an increase in operational funds and in expanding GME for primary care across the state.

Dr. Wenk noted the reduction in primary care residencies across the state and nation. With a full discussion among the Board, it was requested that additional background be prepared to be presented at the next Board meeting in September.

Judge Norris noted the increase in the minimum pay and with Dr. Wenk congratulated the campus on their planning to make this possible.

5. Campus Master Plan

Dr. Wenk introduced Dr. Brown and presented the Campus Master Plan – “Moving From and Incidental to an Intentional Campus at UTHSC. Following some discussion on the Plan, Dr. Brown concluded his presentation.

Judge Norris appreciated that members of the Advisory Board had been invited to review concepts for campus plan revisions displayed on April 16, 2019 and requested updates on those plans. To the extent that such revisions to the campus plan are relevant to the strategic plan, in order to be able to make specific recommendations to the UT Board when necessary, it is even more important for the Advisory Board to be included.

If the Advisory Board is to fulfill its statutory responsibilities, it is important that the UT Board prescribe the process for doing so, that the Advisory Board be given adequate opportunities to consider any strategic plans under consideration, and make specific recommendations to the President as required by law.

Judge Norris inquired whether the UT Board has established the process through which the Advisory Board must provide its recommendation on any proposed strategic plan prior to its approval by the UT Board. Paragraph 32 of the University of Tennessee Bylaws provides that the Board shall establish a process through which:

“...each advisory board created pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-9-501 must provide a recommendation to the President on the proposed strategic plan for the respective institution prior to the approval of the strategic plan by the Board, beginning with any strategic plan approved or adopted after January 1, 2019.”

The Advisory Board was advised that the UT Board had not yet done so.

6. Preview of September Meeting

Mr. Ferrara pointed out a report at each person’s seat that answered Dr. Cooper’s question from the previous meeting related to the distribution of students in the College of Graduate Health Sciences He then noted that a website had been created for the Advisory Board and it includes background materials and thanked all of the members for having their pictures taken which along with each members bios would be added.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 30th and that being the last meeting schedule at that meeting one item will be to schedule meetings for 2020. He then noted that with the discussion earlier, the agenda for the next meeting will be adjusted to address the issues raised.

Dr. Wenk then adjourned the formal meeting at that the meeting date approved at the February meeting was incorrect.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, Dr. Wenk adjourned the meet at 2:17 PM and invited the Board to the campus tour led by Dr. Brown.

8. Campus Tour

Dr. Brown led group on a tour of the Translational Science Research Building, the Center for Health Innovation and Patient Simulation, the Emergency Operations Center in the General Education Building and then the Dunn Dental Building.