

Meeting 129 Meeting Minutes
September 16, 2020; Videoconference
4 pm (ET) / 3 pm CT

UT Faculty Council Voting Members (Quorum, 5 voting members)

UTHSC Tayebah Pourmotabbedd (Faculty Senate President Elect)
 Martin Donaldson (Campus Representative)

UTK David Patterson (Faculty Senate President)

UTM Sean Walker (Faculty Senate President)
 Chris Caldwell (Campus Representative)

UTC Charlene Simmons (Faculty Senate President)
 Beth Crawford (Campus Representative)

Faculty Appointed to Education, Research & Service Committee (Ex-Officio voting)

UTC Christina Vogel (Board of Trustees ERS Committee faculty appointee)

UT Faculty Council Ex-Officio Non-voting members

UT Randy Boyd (President)
 Linda C. Martin (Vice President, Academic Affairs & Student Success)

Faculty Council Guests

UT Karen Etzkorn (Director of Academic Affairs)
 Stacey Patterson (VP research, Outreach & Economic Development)

UTHSC Terry Cooper

UT Trish Holiday (Consultant with Holliday/Kenning for the UT Values Project)

Call to Order Beth Crawford, Chair

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Questions of, and update from President Boyd
 - a. There has been a low COVID positive count on all campuses but those testing positive should self-quarantine for a time-period of 10 to 14 days.
 - b. Discussions between the University of Tennessee and Martin Methodist College in Pulaski TN regarding Martin Methodist's joining the UT System have been initiated. If finalized, this would give UT a presence in middle-south Tennessee. SACSCOG approval is required for final approval
 - c. President Boyd discussed a UT study regarding a shorter quarantine period following exposure to COVID
2. Discussion regarding Values Project by Trish Holiday

- a. Purpose – develop leadership in Tennessee non-profit organizations in cooperation with UT
- b. The project will be initially discussed with Chancellors and UFC
- c. Project will develop a set of values for the UT System
 - i. Quality Learning
 - ii. Transparency
 - iii. Integrity
 - iv. Excellent Educators
 - v. Respect
 - vi. Diversity
 - vii. Transformative Inquiry/Research
 - viii. Equity and Inclusion
3. Approval of minutes of Meeting 128
4. Update by Stacey Patterson
 - a. Update on merger of Oak Ridge National Laboratory and UT
 - b. Seed proposals are being accepted for Tennessee InfoReady. The project will be managed by the UT Office of Research; at utk.infoready4.com/
 - c. Academic Affairs and Student Success in gathering information for the October BOT meeting
 - d. Cost of PPPR for System:
 - i. \$500,000 system cost
 - ii. \$28,000/faculty
 - e. Athletics report – student athletes will be held to the same academic standards as other students
 - f. UT Promise
 - i. It is an undergraduate scholarship for free tuition for qualifying students
 - ii. Students and mentors have been matched at each campus
 - g. A survey is being developed to assess student reaction to COVID
 - h. On-line courses
 - i. An on-line course platform for General Education are being developed where a student on one UT campus can take the course on-line through another campus and receive credit on their home campus
 - ii. On-line courses are being reviewed and updated on all campuses
5. Questions and Open Discussion
 - a. Charlene will collect information from all UT campuses regarding nine-month faculty in regard to sick leave and prepare a resolution for the October UFC meeting
 - b. Terry requested additional information regarding the cost of PPPR
6. Next meeting – October 22, 2020 – BOT Meeting
7. Meeting adjourned