

COUNCIL MINUTES

October 18, 2013

Present from Council: Linda Biemer, Thomas Doty, Anthony F. Fiala, Jr., Kathryn Grant Madigan, Dennis McCabe, Albert Nocciolino, James Orband, Matthew Salanger, and Andrew Topal

Present from the Community: President Stenger, Interim Vice President Benner, Mr. Coker, Mr. Delviscio, Ms. Doyle, Mr. Edouard, Director Elliott, Ms. Ellis, Mr. Frame, Mr. George, Ms. Hampton, Mr. Kane, Prof. Morewedge, Provost Nieman, Ms. O’Neil, Prof. Reisinger, Vice President Rose, Vice President Sammakia, Vice President Van Voorst, and Mr. Yarosh

CALL TO ORDER:

The Binghamton University Council meeting was called to order at 8:37 a.m. on Friday, October 18, 2013 by chair Kathryn Grant Madigan.

The minutes of the September 20, 2013 meeting were unanimously approved.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

President Stenger reported that it is interesting to think about the many courses that are being taught and the number of faculty teaching our many students at Binghamton University. We sometimes take for granted that we do so much here. Having our meeting here in the Chenango-Champlain Collegiate Center is a good reflection of this.

President Stenger showed a video of the recent Homecoming activities. He noted that dozens of events were going on with efforts and planning by Athletics, Alumni Relations, Student Affairs, and others. To show our BU pride, we now have “Green Day Friday.” There are many fairs for students that are going on -- Study Abroad, Graduate School, Law Day, Community Opportunity, to name just a few. We are also holding many performances and showing exhibits (Chinese opera, Ruby Wang in the Art Museum, and the play “Don’t Dress for Dinner”).

TAE areas (Citizenship, Rights and Cultural Belonging; Health Sciences; Material and Visual Worlds; Smart Energy; Sustainable Communities) are well underway with 32 faculty searches in these focus areas in progress.

STUDENT REPORT:

Andrew Topal reported that Homecoming was a great event. Alumni enjoyed coming back to campus to see other alums. The tailgate event was successful with a few hundred participating

followed by the men's soccer game. A 12-hour dance marathon was held with 300 students participating; this event raised money for pediatric cancer. The Student Association's J.Cole concert was the most successful concert that the SA has held in the last four to five years. Comedian Demetri Martin will be here for Parents Weekend, October 26.

REPORT ON UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS AND HOUSING:

Provost Donald Nieman, Vice President Brian Rose, and Professor Mark Reisinger reported on University admissions, housing, and programs held in the residential colleges. (see attached)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 am.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, November 15, 2013.