

The Board of
The Ohio State University at Lima
September 14, 2023

Patrick Ellis called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with the following members present: Robert Simmons, Joseph J. Sreenan, Nicholas Moeller, Teresa Hirschfeld, Agape Anderson, and Pat Carroll. Interim Dean Young attended in her official capacity as did Robin Pohl. Lesley Fry was in attendance as well.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Dr. Sreenan moved and Mr. Simmons seconded the motion that the reading of the May 11, 2023 minutes be waived and approved as previously electronically distributed. The motion carried unanimously.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Agape Anderson highlighted semester events thus far including Buckeye Kickoff, the Involvement Fair, various diversity committee events, the United Way Day of Caring, and the impending ribbon cutting of the newly renovated Galvin Hall lower level this afternoon. She shared her anticipation of upcoming homecoming activities.

FACULTY ASSEMBLY REPORT: Pat Carroll remarked that the first faculty assembly meeting of this academic year will occur on September 21. In light of conversations to potentially move more courses online, Jason Lemon, VP for Online Learning will be joining faculty assembly in October to discuss micro-credential options. Pat is optimistic about future opportunities moving forward.

ALUMNI ADVISORY COUNCIL UPDATE: Teresa Hirschfeld began her update noting that the advisory council's purpose is two-fold. The alumni advisory council provides semi-annual opportunities for all 40 alumni representatives to interact as they become educated on key issues and topics affecting the university. Drawing upon outcomes of these meetings, senior staff then provide information to the president of the university. This past April, the theme of the meeting was regional campuses where key items, including enrollment decline, were discussed. Ms. Hirschfeld shared feedback, from those who attended, in the form of comments they submitted. She then noted that the theme of the upcoming meeting in October will be centered around the arts. Interim Dean Young thanked Ms. Hirschfeld for being in the room and representing the Lima campus.

Lesley Fry presented at the April alumni advisory council meeting and gave highlights of her presentation, noting that community partnerships and student success were the topics assigned to her. Her findings concluded that students who pass through the Lima campus are highly likely to remain in the 10-county area and beyond, all still in Ohio. Examples of community partnerships include the Engineering Education and Manufacturing Center unique to our campus, where the labs and auditorium bridge the gap between industry and academia. Healthcare Futures Day resulted from several of our partnerships with Mercy Health including the anatomy lab and the Graduate Medical Education program. Opportunities for students including E1T1, the Gen One Learning Community, and Buckeye Rise (Responsible Interventions and Strategies for Excellence) are just a few examples of Ohio State Lima's commitment to student success.

DEAN AND DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Interim Dean Young reiterated, for those unable to attend the meeting in May, that she is thrilled to serve in her new role and gave a timeline of her employment at OSU Lima, which included serving as the honors director which expanded to include coordination of high impact practices. This past year she served as a faculty fellow in the Office of Academic Enrichment in Columbus.

Interim Dean Young shared a presentation highlighting the Lima campus' enrollment snapshot, campus fundraising totals, faculty and staff accomplishments, OSU Lima faculty teaching for OPEEP (Ohio Prison Education Exchange Program), members of the Lima Inclusive Excellence Team, and new initiatives and frameworks that are being developed. She stated that our campus has clearly identified priorities.

Interim Dean Young concluded by sharing the student success infinity loop and asking the advisory board members to be useful sounding boards and advocates in feeding the infinity loop. She then solicited input from the advisory board members on how they view their role and what information can be provided to them in order for meaningful interactions and increased community partnerships to occur.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm with a motion by Dr. Sreenan seconded by Mr. Simmons.

Patrick Ellis, Chair
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Robin Pohl, Secretary
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