

The Board of
The Ohio State University at Lima
March 11, 2021

Dean Rehner welcomed advisory board members to the virtual meeting at 4:30 p.m. with the following members joining: Bob Simmons, Larry Webb, Eva Yarger, Nicole Nelson, Earl Recker, Danica Basinger, Ewan Hamilton, and Teresa Hirschfeld. Robin Pohl joined as did Lesley Fry.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Mr. Simmons moved and Mr. Webb seconded the motion that the reading of the January 14, 2021 minutes be waived and approved as previously electronically distributed. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Nelson led a conversation discussing increased board engagement sharing that she recommends OSU Lima and promotes scholarships continually.

Dean Rehner then introduced Temple Patton and Pat Carroll, co-chairs of the diversity committee who then led a conversation surrounding inclusivity and diversity.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Danica Basinger highlighted semester events.

FACULTY ASSEMBLY REPORT: Ewan Hamilton reported that the faculty are still working to streamline committee structure. He then showed a presentation of the chemistry lab and concluded by discussing the upcoming Stem Steps event.

DEAN AND DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Dean Rehner discussed university engagement and highlighted President Johnson's inspirational and visionary aspirations. He shared that diversity and inclusion will remain a priority. He then relayed details of the upcoming CLP launch in autumn which will encourage and facilitate opportunities for deeper faculty engagement. He concluded by giving a campus update relaying positive collaboration with our co-located institution, academic initiatives that are now in place, recent success in building scholarship funds and that spaces and programs are being prepared for safe movement back to campus.

PROMOTION OF BSET: Teri Hirschfeld discussed her recent promotion of the new BSET degree in the surrounding communities detailing enrollment strategies. She shared that she naturally gravitated to the program given her involvement in economic development. She believes manufacturing is critical to our region and the new program fulfills the land grant mission of Ohio State.

CAMPAIGN UPDATE: Lesley Fry shared the Time and Change Campaign priorities.

It was noted that Melesio Martinez Hernandez withdrew from the advisory board.

Dr. Nelson concluded the virtual meeting at 6:12 pm.

Nicole Nelson, Chair
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