

## UNIVERSITY FORUM

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

3:30 p.m. in LL 205

Cella called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM

**The following Forum members were present:** Victor Acheson Jr., Joseph Beck, Dara Bourassa, Niel Brasher, Turi Braun, Matthew Cella, Lorie Davis Sheetz, Aaron Dobbs, Nicole Hill, Shari Horner, Grant Innerst, Megan Luft, Robin McCann, Kate McGivney, Harun Pacavar, Carlos Rojas, Manny Ruiz, Ali Sina Sharifi, Jolinda Wilson

**Guest:** Robert Lesman, Dudley Girard, Tracy Schoolcraft, Jordon Windholz, Bill Oberman

### Approval of the Past Minutes

On a McGivney/Innerst motion, the minutes of the February 20, 2024, meeting were approved.

### Review of Chairperson's Correspondence with the President of the University

The February correspondence memo is still awaiting President Patterson's review and signature.

### Review of President's Cabinet Minutes

Cella provided a brief overview of the meeting. Meeting notes from President's Cabinet are available at <https://www.ship.edu/about/leadership/president/cabinet/>

### University Curriculum Committee Report

Innerst brought the following to Forum for review and approval or as information items.

- The following UCC items were presented as information items.
  - 23-1132 COM - 460 - Case Studies in Public Relations
  - 23-1147 SPN - 101 - Beginning Spanish
  - 23-1151 ACC - 404 – Auditing
  - 23-1016 PLS - 524 - Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Government
  - 23-1094 ESS - 115 - Coastal Hazards and Sustainability
  - 23-974 CSC - 110 - Computer Science I
  - 23-1106 CSC - 498 - Senior Research Methods
  - 23-1107 CSC - 499 - Senior Research and Development
  - 23-1050 EDU - 422 - Methods of Teaching English in Secondary Schools
  - 23-1059 EDU - 290 - Introduction to English Language Arts Education: Teaching Adolescent Writers
  - 23-1015 MAT - 201 - Field Immersion Experience
- The following proposals were passed by UCC and were presented to Forum for approval. Innerst motioned to approve UCC proposal(s):

- 23-1092 Graduate Certificate in Public Management – Brasher spoke to this proposal. This proposal is to add a new certification in Public Management. Hill noted that the addition of this certification is in line with the university’s desire to better meet workforce needs. This certification will use existing resources. Proposal 23-2029 was approved.
- The following proposals were reviewed as a block:
  - 23-1011 Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence Concentration, B.S.
  - 23-1013 Computer Science, Computer Graphics and Gaming Concentration, B.S.
    - Girard spoke to these proposals. These proposals will place both programs into moratorium. Proposals 23-1011 and 23-1013 were approved.
- The following proposals were reviewed as a block:
  - 23-1122 IT Leadership Certificate
  - 23-1116 Computer Science, IT Leadership Concentration, M.S.
  - 23-1117 Computer Science, Cybersecurity Concentration, M.S.
  - 23-1118 Computer Science, Management Information Systems Concentration, M.S.
    - Girard spoke to these proposals. They have found that students are struggling in their computer science courses. Therefore, the department has decided to put these concentrations in moratorium so students can focus on their core degree programs. Proposals 23-1122, 23-1116, 23-1117, and 23-1118 were approved.
- 23-1119 Computer Science, M.S. – Girard spoke to this proposal. This will allow two core classes to be cross listed with undergraduate courses, which helps with low enrollment issues. These changes will also swap out courses, which will help them succeed. This change will also help set students up to advance their degree through a 4+1 B.S./M.S. option. Proposal 23-1119 was approved.
- The following proposals were reviewed as a block:
  - 23-1137 Artificial Intelligence Certificate
  - 23-1138 Video Game Programming Certificate
  - 23-1108 Computer Science, Computer Science Applications Concentration, B.S.
  - 23-1109 Computer Science, Computer Science with Secondary Field Concentration, B.S.
    - Girard spoke to these proposals. These changes are being required by ABET to bring the program into accreditation compliance. Proposals 23-1137, 23-1138, 23-1108, and 23-1109 were approved.

- 23-1140 B.S.B.A. to M.B.A. Accelerated Program – Oberman spoke to this proposal. This proposal will allow students to enter into B.S.B.A. to M.B.A. Accelerated Program as a 4+1 program. Proposal 23-1140 was approved.
- 23-1021 Academic Dishonesty – Schoolcraft and Hill addressed this proposal. This proposal makes updates to the language of the Academic Dishonesty Policy and brings it into alignment with the Student Affairs policy. Horner asked if all three college councils approved this proposal. Innerst confirmed that the policy was approved by all parties before it was brought to Forum. Proposal 23-1021 was approved.
- 23-1111 DE Pilot Extension – Windholz spoke to this proposal. This proposal extends our existing DE Pilot to Fall and Spring classes to collect data to see if offering DE sections of courses helps or hinders overall enrollment, reduces incoming transfer credits, or has other impacts on fall and spring enrollment. Dobbs asked about the class enrollment language in the proposal. Windholz provided background as to why the enrollment language is stated in the way that it is with the proposal. Proposal 23-1111 was approved unanimously.

**Planning and Budget Council** - No report given P&B will meet on April 3.

### **Student Affairs Committee**

Please see the attached Student Affairs Report to Forum, provided to Forum in advance of the meeting. Sheetz elaborated on the housing issue that they are currently experiencing.

### **Report from Student Association**

Pacavar highlighted the Public Meeting and voting on the changes to the SGA Constitution on March 28<sup>th</sup>. He also explained some of the changes to the Constitution and why they were needed. No updates on the placement of speed bumps around campus.

Ali Sina Sharifi reported that they are looking into ways to celebrate this year's graduating class, since Covid caused the cancelation of their traditional high school graduation ceremonies. He also reported that some of the food service workers in Reisner Dining Hall were disrespected by multiple students a couple of days ago. SGA is looking into this and working to educate the students and address this issue.

**Report from Graduate Student Association** – Victor Acheson Jr. is the new GSA member to Forum. Acheson provided an overview of the roll of GSA. He also mentioned the following activities that GSA hosted this year: Game Night at the RedZone, Cheesecake Bar, and Raider Bowl night. They are also meeting to plan a graduation event.

The meeting adjourned at 3:59 PM

Minutes prepared by Pam Bucher, recording secretary, 4/2/2024.