September 26, 2018

President Morehead, Council Colleagues, and Guests:

The Executive Committee of University Council met on September 12, 2018 in the Administration Building's Peabody Board Room. A quorum being present, the committee proceeded to the day's business.

The Committee first approved the minutes of the April 4, 2018 meeting of the Executive Committee as distributed.

Then, it approved, for the Council's consideration, 12 proposals from the University Curriculum Committee. These proposals appear as action items on today's agenda (September 26, 2018).

The Council also discussed a proposal from the Educational Affairs Committee, which seeks to Revise the University Policy on Course Drops and Withdrawals. More specifically, it would amend the hardship withdrawal procedure, granting authority—subject to limitations—for these grade change appeals to the Office of Student Care and Outreach. Ultimately, the Committee returned this proposal to the Educational Affairs Committee, asking that the committee include more information on the rationale for the proposal, as well as supporting information to accompany the proposal's recommendations.

When it proceeded to old business, the Committee asked the Educational Affairs Committee for an update on the proposal for revisions to the Presidential Scholars and Dean's list policy that was submitted to, discussed by, and returned to the Educational Affairs Committee by the Executive Committee in April 2018. Mark Farmer, the Chair of the Educational Affairs Committee, provided that update, and a discussion between he and the Committee followed. The Committee offered recommendations for how to advance this initiative and expressed its desire to find a solution to this matter, particularly for those students registered with the Disability Resource Center.

No new business came before the committee, and so it adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Owsiak Chair, Executive Committee 2018-2019