

September 22, 2015

President Morehead, Council Colleagues and Guests:

The Executive Committee of the University Council met on September 9, 2015 in the Administration Building's Peabody Board Room. With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 3:30.

With many members of the committee serving for the first time, introductions were made around the table. David Shipley then explained that he was serving a second consecutive term as Chair; the incoming chair had taken a position at another institution last June and, due to the silence of the statutes and bylaws on what should be done in this situation, the President's Office asked him and Chair-Elect Janet Frick to reach an agreement about who would be Chair during 2015-16. Professors Frick and Shipley discussed the situation and resolved that Shipley would continue as Chair. The Registrar's Office then polled the committee's membership and they were unanimous in support the Frick/Shipley resolution to fill the vacancy.

Professor Shipley then reminded members that the committee's role is to vote on whether or not a proposal is ready to be placed on the Council agenda or needs to be referred to the appropriate standing committee.

The minutes of the April 8, 2015 meeting of the Executive Committee were approved.

The committee approved for consideration by the University Council a modification to the 2015-16 Academic Calendar forwarded by the Educational Affairs Committee. This item is an action item for today's (September 22, 2015) meeting of Council.

The committee approved for consideration by the University Council six of the seven action items forwarded from the University Curriculum Committee. These items are action items for today's (September 22, 2015) meeting of Council. The proposal for a new minor in Human Services Leadership was not approved the committee. This proposal will be reconsidered by the University Curriculum Committee.

There was no old business to come before the committee.

Professor Shipley informed the committee that two volunteers were needed to serve on the Faculty/Staff Parking Appeals Committee. They do not have to be members of University Council.

Shipley also reported that two volunteers were needed for the Faculty Grievance Committee. One will come from the School of Law and the other is to fill a vacancy that was not filled during the Spring elections. Here also, volunteers do not have to be members of Council but they do have to hold faculty rank.

Registrar Jan Hathcote made a brief announcement about the new Graduation Application and the deadline for submitting the application.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Shipley

Chair, Executive Committee of the University Council.