

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
May 19, 2021

Committee Trustees: Dennis-LaVigne, Fang, Gouin, and Rubin

Additional Trustees: Bessette, Boxer, Bunnell, Cantor, Cloud, Gandara, O'Connor, Pollard, Ritter, Toscano, and Werstler

University Senate: Bird, Boyer, Chafouleas, Fernandez, Polifroni, Pritchard, Seth, and Yalof

Staff: Agwunobi, Bradford, Fuerst, Gelston, Gilbert, Henderson, Jednak, Jordan, Katsouleas, Lejuez, Locke, Reitz, Rubin, Shoulson, and Weiner

Committee Chairwoman Gouin convened the meeting at 8:50 a.m. via phone call.

No public comment was volunteered on any of the agenda items.

On a motion by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Rubin, the minutes of the April 28, 2021, meeting were approved as circulated.

Provost Lejuez introduced *Action Item #2 Proposed Changes to the By-Laws of the University of Connecticut*. Moved by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Fang, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez introduced *Action Item #3 Designation of Emeritus Status*. Moved by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Rubin, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez introduced *Action Item #4 Appointment of Professor Morgaen L. Donaldson, EdD to the Philip E. Austin Endowed Chair, Action Item #5 Appointment of Associate Professor Steven Utko, PhD to the Arthur Andersen, LLP Accounting Professorship in the School of Business, Action Item #6 Appointment of Professor Robert Fahey, PhD to the George F. Cloutier Professorship in Forestry in the College of Agriculture, Health & Natural Resources, Action Item #7 Reappointment of Professor Brenda Brueggemann, PhD to the Aetna Chair of Writing in the Department of English in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Action Item #8 Reappointment Professor Manisha Sinha, PhD to the James L. and Shirley A. Draper Chair in American History in the Department of History in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences*. Moved by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Trustee Fang, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez introduced *Action Item #9 Graduate Certificate in Systems Genomics: Clinical Communication and Counseling*. Moved by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Trustee Rubin, the Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

Provost Lejuez shared *Informational Item #9, Academic Program Inventory* and *Informational Item #10 Centers and Institutes*.

Trustee Dennis-LaVigne called a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Trustee Fang. Chairwoman Gouin adjourned the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah K. Croucher
Committee Secretary