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University of Connecticut Board of Trustees

Trustee-Administration-Faculty-Student (TAFS) Committee May 3, 2024 Special Virtual Meeting

Committee Members

Committee Trustees: Jeanine Gouin, Philip Rubin, Bryan Pollard

University Administration: Anne D'Alleva, Nathan Fuerst, Jeffrey Geoghegan, Michael

Mundrane, Franklin Tuitt, Daniel Weiner

University Faculty: Maureen Armstrong, Laura Burton, Robert Day, Jennifer

Dineen, Isaac Ortega, Del Siegle

Students: Lorien Touponse

Guests

Trustees: Daniel Toscano

University Faculty: Joanne Conover, D. Betsy McCoach

University Staff: Sarah Croucher, Fany Hannon, Kent Holsinger, Jennifer Lease

Butts, Gladis Kersaint, Rachel Rubin, Daniel Schwartz

Provost D'Alleva called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

1) Public Participation

No members of the public signed up to address the Committee.

2) Election of Trustee-Administration-Faculty-Student (TAFS) Committee Chair

On a motion by Committee Member Fuerst, seconded by Committee Member Mundrane, the Committee voted unanimously to appoint Trustee Jeanine Gouin as Chair of the TAFS Committee for the Academic Year 2023-2024.

3) Minutes of Trustee-Administration-Faculty-Student (TAFS) Special Meeting of April 24, 2023

On a motion by Committee Member Seigle, seconded by Trustee Rubin, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2023, Special Meeting.

4) Metanoia Presentation

Associate Vice Provost Lease Butts and Associate Dean of Students Armstrong gave a presentation on the meaning and history of Metanoia at the University of Connecticut. A Metanoia committee has been formed and charged with creating programming for the University community on the topic of Pathways to Productive Civil Discourse.

5) Open Discussion

Following the presentation, the Committee discussed several questions regarding the kinds of educational programming that would be needed to support the chosen Metanoia topic. Discussion topics included how global current events may impact climate on college campuses as well as best practices to foster inclusive spaces for open dialogue on difficult topics.

6) Executive Session (as needed)

There was no Executive Session.

7) Adjournment

On a motion by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Committee Member Fuerst, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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