

UTIA Advisory Council Meeting - August 22, 2019 9:00 AM

Presiding: Kevin Hoyt, Chair

Attendees: Kevin Hoyt, Andrew Sherfy, Chris Boyer, Andrea Ludwig, Neelam Poudyal, Steven Huff, Jennifer DeBruyn, Anna Johnson, Matthew Harlan, Scott Lenaghan, Jacob Boone, Tracey Sullivan, Tim Cross, Caula Beyl, Hongwei Xin, Jim Thompson, Elizabeth Weatherly, Marcie Souza, Sherry Cox

1. Minutes from April 9, 2019 meeting approved
2. Report from UTIA Chancellor – Dr. Tim Cross
 - a. Steven Huff thanked for serving as past UTIA Advisory Council Chair
 - b. Unification update -
 - i. Justification for unification:
 1. Rankings: changing titles allows UTK-UTIA to count as one institution and elevates our rankings from 107 to 84th (55th among public universities).
 2. Changing leadership position of UTIA from Chancellor to VP allows more involvement in system-level decisions
 3. Correct disparity in state appropriations between UTK and UTIA, hope unification will increase access to resources
 4. Expand programs and collaboration between UTK and UTIA
 - ii. Next steps: Currently, the only things changed is Dr. Cross' title. Listening/brainstorming sessions planned to get input on implementation of the unification.
 1. Andrea Ludwig provided update on as a representative of unification taskforce
 2. Dr. Cross ensured that no major reorganization changes or eliminations will be part of the unification plan to be presented to the board November 8. Anticipates that there will be opportunity for feedback and changes (I.e. not a final plan).
3. Herbert College update – Dr. Beyl – *Report attached*
4. UT Extension update – No report at this meeting
5. UT AgResearch update – Dr .Xin - *Report attached*
6. UT CVM update – Dr. Thompson – *Report attached*
 - a. Additional comments:
 - iii. HVAC system replacement ongoing, causing displacements of labs, offices, operating rooms etc.
 - iv. Parking displacements due to construction becoming a constraint
 - v. Will be voting on including non tenure track faculty on P&T committees, allowing input and voting on promotion (but not tenure) decisions
7. UTIA Advancement update – Elizabeth Weatherly
 - a. Together We Grow campaign – in excess of \$175M goal – announcement to come soon
8. Director of Services update – Steve Glafenhein – *Report attached*
9. Marketing and Communications update – Doug Edlund
 - a. Move to wordpress for websites in early 2020
 - b. UTIA communicators group – upcoming sessions on social media, accessibility, visibility, smartphone video

10. UTIA HRO update – Jennifer Daniels – *Report attached*
 - a. Additional notes:
 - vi. Workers’ comp – must be reported to corvel prior to seeking treatment
 - vii. Auto accident reporting instructions – must report all accidents
 - viii. Job family updates for staff positions
11. New business – Kevin Hoyt
 - a. Motion to elect Jennifer DeBruyn as Secretary – carried
 - b. Motion to elect Chris Boyer as Chair-Elect – carried
12. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM