Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Executive Committee with President and Provost
Tuesday, September 15, 2020
3:00- 4:00 p.m.
Zoom Conference

1. Called to order 3:02 pm
   a. In attendance:
      i. President John Broderick, Provost Austin Agho, Chairman John Sokolowski, Secretary Corrin Richels, Senator David Burdige, Senator Lynn Tolle, Senator Nina Brown, Senator Wie Yusuf, Library Representative James Rhoades

Agenda
1. Update on Dean Changes
   • Interim Dean of the Darden College of Education and Professional Studies and University Librarian will remain in place for at least the entirety of this academic year
   • Four finalists for the Dean of Engineering position were interviewed via Zoom
      o Two finalists – will be invited to visit and tour Norfolk
2. New Title IX Requirements
   • First concern would be who represents the faculty in any complaint lodged to the Title IX process
      o The current draft addresses this more thoroughly
   • Revised draft that has passed legal counsel will be distributed to the Faculty Executive Committee (FSEC)
   • There are only so many edits that can be made as this is a federal law
   • The main issue centers around who sits on hearing committee panels
      o We may have the latitude to determine what the composition of the panel could be
3. Budget Update
   • Enrollment is up 2.5% which is remarkable
   • At the moment, there are no state budget cuts forecast
   • This is relatively contingent on factors in the NOVA economy
   • The VDH is cautious and is forecasting an increase prior to Thanksgiving holiday and beyond
   • Every effort will be made to reclaim any money that was lost with the previous allocation
   • By mid-October we may know if additional state money will be allocated
   • Message to Deans is that this is not the time to move any searches forward
4. President and Provost comments
   • The President has been in meetings 7 days a week since March
   • We will have a better idea of how off-campus behavior will translate to new COVID-19 cases in the next week or so
   • Program Reviews
      o Additional program productivity reviews will commence this fall using the Faculty Handbook process
      o Provost Agho will meet with the Deans to alert them to the re-evaluation of programs for potential closure, relocation, or expansion.
   • Overall, ODU has fared better in our re-opening than many institutions
      o This is directly due to the monumental effort by administrators and committees in crafting the re-opening plan
      o College of Health Sciences made an impressive display of how didactic material can be translated to true service
   • COVID dashboard updates are made every Monday
      o There was a glitch from the Labor Day holiday that has now been corrected
      o The President and Provost will investigate whether it is feasible to update more frequently

Respectfully submitted by Corrin Richels, Secretary to the Faculty Senate