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A meeting of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Student Life was held in Room 218 of the Penn State Conference Center Hotel, University Park, PA, at 9:15 a.m. on September 15, 2016.

The following committee members were present: Chair Abe Harpster, Vice Chair Allie Goldstein, Alice Pope, and Luke Metaxas.

The following staff members were present: Nick Jones, Damon Sims, and Ann Wyatt. CCSG Vice President Shawn Lichvar; Staff Advisory Council Immediate Past Chair Jennifer Blew; and Faculty Senate Chair-Elect, Matthew Woessner, were present. Trustee Emerita Ann Riley was present. Also invited as a presenter was Blannie Bowen, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Harpster at 9:15 a.m. *Minutes* of the May 5, 2016 and July 21, 2016 meetings of the committee were approved.

Chair Harpster called on Nick Jones, Executive Vice President and Provost, for his report. Nick updated the Committee on LionPath and its functionality; WorkLion, which will replace the current Human Resources and Payroll systems; the transition from ANGEL to the Canvas learning management system; and announced that the replacement for the University business information system (IBIS) is in development. Additionally he provided a fall enrollment figure update. Damon Sims, Vice President for Student Affairs, provided updates on the start of the fall semester, including student health, safety, and welfare issues; fall career days; Stand for State initiatives and the bystander intervention training program; and considerations of a student health insurance mandate.

Shawn Lichvar, Council of Commonwealth Student Governments Vice President, provided a report on student government initiatives, including diversity and inclusion; Commonwealth Campus Week of Service student outreach programs; and the movement to institute a University-wide anti-smoking policy.

Blannie Bowen, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, provided a report on Faculty, Promotion, and Tenure at Penn State. Included were tenure and promotion demographics; the three-tiered tenure review process; promotions to full professorship; and shared governance.

Finally, the Committee discussed goals and objectives for its meetings in 2016-2017.

The public session of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Student Life was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

No Executive Session of the Committee was required.

Respectfully submitted,

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