

**ACADEMIC COUNCIL and the UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON  
RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROGRAMS**

**Tuesday, September 14, 2021  
Stayer Center, University of Notre Dame**

Minutes

**Academic Council Members present:** Scott Appleby; Seth Brown; Kasey Buckles; Laura Carlson; Patricia Champion; Patricia Clark; Aedin Clements; Marcus Cole; Jon Coleman; Therese Cory; Martijn Cremers; Patricia Culligan; Shannon Cullinan; K. Matthew Dames; Jeremy Fein; La Donna Forsgren; Rick Garnett; Dan Groody, C.S.C.; Mike Hildreth; Daniel Johnson; Chris Kolda; Chris Maziar; Paul McGinn; Margaret Meserve; Marie Lynn Miranda; Janeala Morsby; Sarah Mustillo; Glen Niebur; Michael Niemier; Allan Njomo; Gerry Olinger, C.S.C.; Hugh Page; Michael Pippenger; Ram Ramanan; Bryan Ritchie; Maura Ryan; Matthew Sisk; Jason Springs; Sierra Stinson; Thomas Stober; Joe Urbany; Elliott Visconsi; Molly Walsh; Richard Williams; Samir Younes

**Members excused or absent:** Bob Bernhard; Grace Clinton; Tara Devaraj; John Jenkins, C.S.C.; Lionel Jensen; Cecilia Lucero; Bill Mattison; Stefanos Polyzoides; Sue Sheridan; Joe Urbany; Stephanie Wong

**UCRSP Members present:** Allison Cheng; Christopher Hinkle; Ken Kelley; Daniel Robertson; Bill Schneider; Sharon Stack; Siyuan Zhang

**UCRSP Members absent:** Nick Berente; John Deak; Bruce Huber; Krupali Krusche; Paul Winters

**Observers and Guests present:** Kevin Barry; Kelley Collins; Chuck Hurley; Brian Flaherty; Jim Frabutt; Demetra Schoenig; Lance Thompson

**1. Call to Order**

Marie Lynn Miranda called the joint session of the Academic Council and University Committee on Research and Sponsored Programs to order, serving as chair of the meeting at the request of Fr. John Jenkins who was unable to be present.

**2. Opening Prayer**

Rick Garnett offered an opening prayer.

**3. Election of Search Committee for the Vice President for Research**

Maura Ryan described the process for the election, which was held using electronic ballots from a slate that had been circulated in advance of the meeting. She invited additional nominations and those made were added to the ballot. Marie Lynn Miranda discussed the importance of the role and described several important factors to bear in mind as members cast their votes for the search committee. These dimensions include: familiarity with the physical and IT infrastructure needed to support physical and life sciences; familiarity with the support needed for humanities and arts faculty to flourish; experience with a diversity of federal funding agencies; experience with foundations and industry partners; insight into how federal funding priorities are established; appreciation of interdisciplinary research; and experience with large center or multi-institutional grants. In two rounds of voting, the following members were elected to the Vice President for Research Search Committee: Patricia Clark, Bill Evans, Patrick Flynn, David Go, and Jennifer Tank. In the round to elect a graduate or professional student to the search committee, Virginia Rodriguez was elected. Following the meeting, Nosang Myung and Jarek Nabrzyski were appointed to the committee.

**4. Adjournment**

Following the election, Provost Miranda adjourned the meeting.