

# President's Advisory Team Minutes

August 25, 2020

President's Advisory Team Members in attendance via Zoom:

Humberto Aristizabal, Associate Vice President of Institutional Equity and Title IX Coordinator  
Eric Berkheimer, Associate Vice President of Facilities and Capital Management  
Melissa Boog, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Kacie Cassar, President, Graduate Student Council  
Randall Cone, President, Faculty Senate  
Jason Curtin, Vice President, Advancement and External Affairs  
Gerard DiBartolo, Director, Athletics  
Susan Eagle, Associate Vice President of Marketing and Communications  
Kelly Fiala, Founding Dean, College of Health and Human Services  
Dane Foust, Vice President, Student Affairs  
Clifton Griffin, Dean, Graduate Studies and Research  
Martha Zimmerman for Bea Hardy, Dean, Libraries and Instructional Resources  
Laurie Henry, Dean, Seidel School of Education  
Ken Kundell, Chief Information Officer  
Edwin Lashley, Chief, University Police  
Andrew Martino, Dean, Honors College  
David McCreary, President, Student Government Association  
Eli Modlin, Chief of Staff  
Karen Olmstead, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Kara Owens, Associate Vice President for Planning & Assessment  
Tony Pasquariello, Interim Vice President, Administration and Finance  
Maarten Pereboom, Dean, Fulton School of Liberal Arts  
Tabitha Pilchard, Chair, Staff Senate  
Valerie Randall Lee, Dean of Students  
Jason Rhodes, Director, Public Relations and University Spokesperson  
Tim Robinson, President, Adjunct Faculty Caucus  
Michael Scott, Dean, Henson School of Science and Technology  
Beth Skoglund, Director of Admissions  
Wallace Southerland, Associate VP, Student Affairs  
Brian Stiegler, Assistant Provost for International Education  
Karen Treber, University Counsel  
Kevin Vedder, Associate Vice President for Human Resources  
Christy Weer, Dean, Perdue School of Business  
Charles Wight, President  
Richard Wilkens, Associate Provost  
Joan Williams, Associate Vice President for Diversity & Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer

1. Welcoming and Opening Remarks – President Charles Wight
  - o Dr. Wight welcomed the group, and offered his appreciation for all that each member of this group has done to prepare for this upcoming, unique semester. He noted that these are historic times for the institution and he appreciated how every person has stepped up and made classes possible.
  - o A moment of silence was held for the passing of one of Salisbury University's own. Dr. Stephen Hardy was a respected and liked campus community member.

2. Communication

- o It is imperative that communication be open and transparent to all campus community members. Every member of this team is counted upon to update their direct reports and students on what is expected and anticipated about this upcoming semester.
  
- o A hotline for parents, students and staff has been created out of the President's Office and is available by calling (410) 540-1111 or by emailing [COVIDQuestions@salisbury.edu](mailto:COVIDQuestions@salisbury.edu) Information is also available at



Training department, members of the Facilities and Operations departments and many other departments and individuals. This is a true team effort and highlights why Salisbury University is a leader in the University System of Maryland.

8. Student Conduct

- o Dr. Foust noted that a few campuses across the country have been forced to go virtual classes due to a high number of students who have tested positive COVID-19. In some instances, this is due to student behavior not practicing appropriate social distancing and mask wearing. SU's student government is playing a very active role in reaching out to educate the student body.
- o SU has reached out to members of the neighborhood compact to engage in a conversation on how we can partner to keep our students safe and heal
- o An addendum has been added to the Student Code of Conduct specifically addressing the expectations of student behavior and COVID-19 prevention.

9. Update on Instruction

- o As classes begin this coming Monday, August 31st, Dr. Olmstead wanted to thank the Deans, department chairs and faculty for all the hard work they have done to offer safe and meaningful classes. Information Technology and ID&D have gone above and beyond creating resources and making technology available to make this possible.
- o As of today, SU has 56% of classes as face or hybrid programs.

10. Other items

- o Dr. Wight welcomed Dr. Randall Cone to this group as the new president of the Faculty Senate. Dr. Cone stated that the Faculty Senate is ready to move forward on preCOVID-19 items already in discussion from