

UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES

February 24, 2022

Attendees: Phil Phillips, Lauren Cosentino, Connie Horton, Greg Ramirez, Lee Kats, Maretno Agus Harjoto, Michael Feltner, Nicolle Taylor, Jim Gash, Jay Brewster, Donna Nofziger Plank, Danny DeWalt

Absent: Gary Hanson, Hung Le, Marc Goodman

I. UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE CALL TO ORDER

Chief Operating Officer Phil Phillips called the University Management Committee meeting to order. The meeting was held via Zoom on Thursday, February 24, 2022. Vice President for Advancement and Chief Development Officer, Lauren Cosentino, opened in prayer.

II. MEETING MINUTES

Upon the motion duly made and seconded, the University Management Committee minutes of the January 20, 2022 meeting were approved.

III. WELLNESS FEE*

Vice President of Student Affairs Connie Horton presented a final proposal for a University-wide wellness fee, which would be used to fund an expansion of on-ground and telehealth providers, fitness classes, and intramural leagues. It would also result in the elimination of “per service” fees for health and counseling visits. The fee amount will be calculated based upon a student's primary campus and enrollment status and is expected to range between \$83 - \$250. The fee will be broken down between semesters, or trimesters, if applicable.

The Committee discussed that University leadership had been briefed and provided opportunities to provide feedback. A communication plan about the fee is under development, and Student Affairs and Finance will continue to partner closely on its implementation.

The Committee expressed support and appreciation for all the efforts made to realize this long-awaited initiative. Upon the motion duly made and seconded, the Committee approved the wellness fee.

IV. COVID POLICY CHANGES DISCUSSION

Chief Operating Officer Phil Phillips opened a discussion regarding shifting Pepperdine policies related to COVID-19 testing, masking, and visitor policy. Phillips summarized the newly released guidance from both the State of California and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. Faculty representatives on the Committee emphasized the

need for advance notice to Faculty prior to changes if faculty were going to have to assume a more complicated compliance role, e.g., distinguishing between vaccinated and unvaccinated students. A Committee member suggested data should be shared to support any forthcoming changes.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Unless otherwise notified, the next meeting will be held on March 17, 2022.