The Shared Governance Executive Committee met at 3 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2016, in the Bibb Graves Conference Room. The following members were present: Dr. Greg Carnes, Mr. Clinton Carter, Dr. Sarah Franklin, Dr. Scott Infanger, Ms. Jennifer Irons, Mr. Bret Jennings, Dr. Katie Kinney, Mr. Nick Lang, Dr. Kristy Oden, Mr. David Shields, and Dr. Molly Vaughn. Dr. Marilyn Lee, Chairperson, presided.

Call of Meeting to Order

Chair Lee called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda, amended to add an information item, was approved by consensus.

Approval of Minutes of Meeting of March 14, 2016

The minutes were unanimously approved on motion by Mr. Lang and second by Dr. Oden.

Report from the Chair

Dr. Lee presented a Chair’s Report which required no action from the Committee. However, Mr. Shields indicated he would provide to Chair Lee a copy of the minutes from the last meeting of the Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee which will illustrate actions the committee took relative to the Campus Safety Task Force Report. In addition, Chair Lee will ascertain from President Kitts in their next meeting the outcome of Stephen Putman’s meeting with the Executive Council relative to a possible once-daily UNA Digest to reduce the amount of mass e-mails distributed to employees and students.

Revision to Title, Membership and Charge of Infrastructure Development Committee

Dr. Franklin made a motion and Dr. Oden seconded the motion to recommend to President Kitts revisions to the title and charge of the Infrastructure Development Committee. The motion was approved unanimously. Secondly, Dr. Infanger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lang, and unanimously approved, to make the following revisions to the membership proposal – revise #2 to read: One (1) member of the Council of Academic Deans or Council of Associate Deans, recommended to the SGEC by the Council of Academic Deans; in #8, return non-voting status to the Vice President positions; in #10, add non-voting status to the Director of Athletics position; and remove #11 since it was added to #2 as noted above.
Revision to Membership of Institutional Effectiveness Committee

Dr. Oden made a motion and Mr. Carter seconded the motion to recommend to President Kitts revisions to the membership of the Institutional Effectiveness Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

VPEM on Committees

The Vice President for Enrollment Management served on various committees by position, and some committees report to that position. That position has been changed to Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management and a search is underway. The SG Document mandates that Strategic and Task Committees report to the President through one of the University Vice Presidents; however, the committees that now report to the VPEM are in areas that will still report to the Associate VPAA. It appears the following should be determined:

1. Should the VPEM position on committees be replaced with the Associate VPEM or another position?
2. Should the SG document be revised to allow for committees to report through an Associate VP or should the reporting structure for those committees be routed through one of the VP’s?

Dr. Infanger made a motion and Mr. Carter seconded the motion to recommend to President Kitts that for 2016-17 and to revisit in 2017-18, the Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management replace the Vice President for Enrollment Management on committees where that person serves in a by position placement, on the committees that report to that position, and that the associated changes be made to the Shared Governance Document. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information Item: Disbandment of Interdisciplinary Studies Degree Committee

This was an information item that required no action from the Committee since this is a committee that exists outside of the shared governance structure. However, Chair Lee explained that now that the Department of Interdisciplinary and Professional Studies is a part of the College of Arts and Sciences, conforms to the curricula development processes of the college, conforms to a traditional administrative reporting structure, and is part of a broader program of academic outreach, the work of the Interdisciplinary Studies Degree Committee is no longer needed at this time and the committee will disband at the conclusion of the 2015-16 academic year.

Comments from Constituent Representatives

For the SGA, Mr. Lang reported the following: Dr. Jackson Katz will be on campus for an April 13 presentation on violence against women, a Resolution on Food Services Affordability has been approved by the SGA and distributed to the Administration, a resolution is under consideration for the removal of food vendors in the SRC to allow for additional workout facilities, Singing River Music Fest is set for April 29 with ticket sales starting this date, and a thank you was issued to the Administration for the installation of campus maps on campus. For the Staff Senate, Dr. Vaughn reported the following: Staff Attitude Survey is underway with a current 56% return rate, an orientation for new staff employees is in discussion stages, six new staff members have been added to the Staff Senate effective with the 2016 summer term, and the Safe Zone e-mail was discussed within the Staff Senate. For the Faculty Senate, Dr. Franklin
reported the following: the Faculty Senate meets this Thursday at which time it will discuss office hours and faculty leave and the last meeting of the semester will be devoted to elections. For the Administration, Mr. Carter provided an update on the food services RPF and the Legislature as it relates to the 401(K) proposal and education budget. Chair Lee thanked the SGA and Vice President for Student Affairs for a successful inaugural Lighting of the Fountain event.

On motion by Dr. Infanger and second by Dr. Franklin, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

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Marilyn Lee, Chairperson