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**MINUTES OF JUNE 2, 2021 COMMITTEE MEETING**

**4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR LEVITT CENTER  
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
IOWA CITY, IOWA**

**Free Speech Committee Members**

Greta Rouse (Chair)

David Barker (Vice Chair)

Abby Crow, Member

Rachel Boon, Board Staff

Aimee Claeys, Board Staff

Guests: Patrick Pease (UNI), Jon Wickert (ISU), Kevin Kregel (SUI), Regent Bates

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Chair Rouse called the meeting to order at 1:48 p.m.

**Opening Remarks**

Chair Rouse discussed the creation of the free speech committee and what the committee hopes to do moving forward.

**Review of Syllabus Statements**

Chair Rouse recognized Chief Academic Officer, Rachel Boon. CAO Boon discussed the recommendation and introduced Provost Pease, Wickert, and Kregel who shared information on the creation and implementation of the syllabus statement.

No action requested.

**Review of University websites**

Chair Rouse recognized Board Counsel, Aimee Claeys. Counsel Claeys shared information on the process and implementation of the university free speech websites and introduced Eric Rossow, University of Iowa Admin Services Administrator, who presented an overview of the University of Iowa's website.

**Free Speech Campus Training update**

Counsel Claeys discussed the recommendation and shared that the general counsels at each university have been working on implementing this recommendation. The universities are working on providing an annual training to the entire campus community to provide high level training on the fundamentals of the First Amendment with a focus on free expression and will have additional in-depth targeted training for specific groups (i.e. faculty and administrators). Counsel Claeys shared the next steps would be exploring the opportunity for outside vendors to develop a training module for the universities.

**Free Speech Survey update**

Chair Rouse recognize CAO Boon. CAO Boon discussed the recommendation and presented findings from National surveys and Campus Climate Surveys from the universities. CAO Boon shared the next steps would be working together with campus counterparts to dig deeper and see how they would like to proceed in the future with surveying campus.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.