

**MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2021 COMMITTEE MEETING**

**TELEPHONIC**

**April 7, 2021**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Committee Members in Attendance**

Jim Lindenmayer (Chair)

Toyia Younger, Iowa State University

Jason Pontius, Board staff

Sarah Hansen, University of Iowa (by phone)

Paula Knudson, University of Northern Iowa

Chair Lindenmayer called the meeting to order at **9:44 am**

A. Minutes of February 17, 2021 meeting: Included in the Academic Affairs committee minutes due to a joint meeting.

B. Annual Diversity Report (Tovar, Berry, Stewart)

The university Chief Diversity Officers participated in a planned Q&A led by Jason, followed by open Q&A with Board members. Participants are:

- Dr. Elizabeth Tovar is the Executive Officer for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the University of Iowa
- Gwenne Berry is the Chief Diversity Officer at the University of Northern Iowa
- Dr. Reginald Stewart is the VP for Diversity and Inclusion at Iowa State University

No questions

C. Presentations from Student Leaders (Wooff, Boeding, Nipper)

- Connor Wooff is the outgoing Student Government President at the University of Iowa
- Elle Boeding is the outgoing Student Government President at UNI
- Kalista Nipper is a 10th grade student at the Iowa School for the Deaf
- Morgan Fritz is the outgoing Student Government President at Iowa State University

Regent Bates told the group that her favorite thing about the job is the interaction with students.

Regent Lindenmayer thanked the students for persevering during a year that was memorable for all the wrong reasons.

D. New Business: None

E. Next Meeting: Tentatively set for June 2nd.

F. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at **10:53 am**.