

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2022 COMMITTEE MEETING

**Slife Ballroom, Commons
University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA
September 14, 2022
1:45 pm**

Committee Members in Attendance

Jim Lindenmayer (Chair)	Abby Crow (Vice-Chair)
Sarah Hansen, University of Iowa	Toyia Younger, Iowa State University
Heather Harbach, University of Northern Iowa	Jason Pontius, Board staff

Chair Lindenmayer called the meeting to order at **2:07 p.m.**

1. Minutes of June 1, 2022 meeting: Approved by general consent
2. Student Engagement Strategies Presentation (VP Harbach with additional thoughts provided by VP Hansen and VP Younger).

We have found that students are learning to engage or reengage. Many had abbreviated opportunities to engage in high school during the pandemic. We are working to find ways to get them involved with their academics and community. We are spending a lot of time on campus not just focusing on counseling service but also learning to learn using a model created by a faculty member on campus. We are helping students learn to dialog and disagree respectfully, have candid conversations. How do I disagree with you and respect your perspective? Empathy for the other person. Going really well.

We are trying to provide helpers everywhere on campus.

VP Younger. Looking at our upperclassmen and getting them to reengage. Upperclassmen are often more like first or second years in their engagement because they spent much of their first two years disconnect. There's a trending Twitter hashtag that students are using #We'reoutside. They are so happy to be out and meeting people and being social. Cyclone welcome weekend. Destination ISU. Goat calisthenics. Extremely high turnout at events and student organizations. Students have lost the ability to communicate face-to-face. Social settings and the classroom communication. Presentation skills. Academic affairs and student affairs.

VP Hansen: Our student conduct numbers are way down. During locked down there were a lot of conduct issues.

Regent Barker: Conduct issues across the board? Alcohol, harassment?

VP response: Yes, across the board. Students are just grateful to be out and about. Generally, a decrease in a lot of conduct and they don't want to lose their privileges.

Regent Barker: I've heard something similar at football games

Regent Lindenmayer: What strategies can we implement to reduce dependencies on devices?

VP response: A lot of our clubs and organizations are trying to do more small group personal activities. Student Govt. just set a policy of turning off phones during meetings. Staff are trying to set that example of having more informal gatherings. Return to better.

3. New Business: None
4. Next Meeting: Schedules for November 9th at ISU.
5. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at **2:25 p.m.**