

**ORAL ROBERTS UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY FACULTY
MINUTES**

October 26, 2015 – 11:00 a.m., Trustees Dining Room

Attendees: 162 full-time faculty members including the President and the Provost, 7 adjunct faculty, and 8 guests

1. **TOPIC:** Luncheon

Lunch was served followed a “Celebration of Fall” including door prizes awarded by Mrs. Lisa Wilson to randomly selected faculty members who were present

2. **TOPIC:** Devotion—Larry Hart

Dr. Larry Hart presented a devotion called “Being Carried by God” based on scriptures from Isaiah 46:1-4 and John 10:8.

3. **TOPIC:** President’s Report—President

- President Wilson expressed thanks to everyone involved in the 18 months of planning for the 50th Anniversary celebrations
- University Planning Council update
 - Met to review the current status of achievement on KPI’s from the Adaptive 5-year Plan
 - Review a developing document for the Board of Trustees to present ORU’s deeply held religious beliefs concerning gender and sexuality to be reviewed by the Board of Trustees during the November meeting
- Enrollment update—Fall B online students including into Fall census; current total 3,708
- Broadcast update—GEB and TBN agreement beginning in December to offer new youth impact programming from 12-6 a.m. for “JUCE on GEB”
- Faculty Life Committee update—ORU community access to “Social Hub” from the Faculty and Staff pages to promote community prayer for requests and praise reports
- General Education update—reminder
- Copies of the 50th Anniversary Review Book and 50th Celebration editions of *Excellence* were available to all faculty members

REQUESTED RESPONSES:

- Faculty members interested in requesting copies of President Wilson’s “E words—Excellence; Expansion; Empowerment; and Excitement” may request the presentation by contacting Lisa Bowman in the President’s office
- Faculty members are reminded to register for one of the five workshops to brainstorm about the future of ORU general education program—all faculty members are invited

4. **TOPIC:** Academic Council Report—Provost; report accepted and seconded

- Written report submitted to all members present and read
 - Reviewed all recommended changes to *Faculty and Administration Handbook*
 - Spiritual fit questions to be included in all faculty hiring applications
 - Addition of a new faculty position called “Distinguished Professor”
 - Addition of faculty certification requirement of 18 graduate hours in teaching area
 - Reviewed continuing efforts in Singapore and China
 - Reviewed changes in the Academic Council Rules of Order
 - Reviewed discussion of the B.A./B.S. issue
 - Announced approval of NUR 478 Nursing Missions to qualify as Humanities elective for Nursing majors

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REQUESTED RESPONSES: Provost to verify that the Academic Council minutes reflect the wording “18 or more graduate hours”

ACTION: Report accepted as corrected by unanimous vote with no denial or abstention

5. **TOPIC:** Governance Task Group Update—Provost

- Governance Task Force approved that the committee membership not change during the three-year general education review process and return to normal process in 2018-19
- All remaining academic committees to replace one-half of the membership every year
- As the Writing Across the Discipline is a professional committee not an academic committee, membership process fall under the direction of the Provost

6. **TOPIC:** Athletics Update—Mike Carter with Kyle Jones

- Current athlete academic information—overall GPA 3.17 with 75% graduation rate
- Eli Academic Center provides athletes with tutoring services

REQUESTED RESPONSE: Faculty members asked to call Kyle Jones x7671 with any student athlete academic issues

7. **TOPIC:** Safety Announcements—Tim Philley with Jerry Isaacs

- Campus Operations and Security will develop a video training piece for faculty and staff that will address emergency procedures
- All ORU security officers have bullet-proof vests and weapons training. Officers are trained and ready to protect.
- Order of probability of potential events—(1) Fire; (2) Tornado; (3) Active Shooter. “It is more likely that you will be struck by lightning five times than we will have an active shooter on this campus. That is based on geography, that is based on the number of universities, and the frequency of these events.”

REQUESTED RESPONSE: In case of emergency, shelter in place. Call Jerry Isaacs x7752 with any security issues.

8. **TOPIC:** University Events—President

- Board of Trustee Installation Dinner, Tuesday November 10; email invitation to all faculty members
- Wilson Christmas Faculty Reception on December 10
- Faculty members provided with 50th celebration pin to wear throughout the month of October

REQUESTED RESPONSE: (1) Faculty members are asked to reply by October 27 to invitation for the Installation Dinner. Apply at <http://attend.com/BOTFALL15>

9. **TOPIC:** Celebrating the Rich Tradition of ORU—President

- 50th Anniversary reflection from Don Eland as filmed by Dr. Even Culp

10. **TOPIC:** Meeting closed by the President at 12:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Weed

LIST OF ATTENDEES
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Full-time Faculty

Lois Ablin	Bill Gordon	Judith Mayton	George Thyvelikakath
Robin Akbar	Linda Gray	Kenneth Mayton	Terry Unruh
Joann Allen	Elena Gregg	William McDonald	Rachel Valentz
Enrique Valderrama	M. Gregg	Susan McMurray	Corinne VanArsdale
Ardith Baker	Trevor Grizzle	Denise Miller	Paul Vickery
James Barber	Rebecca Gunn	Mary Miller	Annette Villines
Rafael Barreiro	Joseph Guthrie	Lenore Mullican	Andrea Walker
Richard Berumen	Solomon Hailu	Jim Myers	Mary Walker
Chancey Bosch	Larry Hart	Eric Newberg	Vicki Walker
Kim Boyd	Harley Hatley	Eloy Nolivos	Daniel Ward
Sonny Branham	Laura Holland	Timothy Norton	Angela Watson
James Breckenridge	Jason Howell	James Norwood	Edward Watson
Joyce Bridgman	Fritz Huber	Nathaneal Opp	Kenneth Weed
Christopher Brown	Julie Huntley	James B. Osborne	Jonathan Wiley
Fleta Buckles	Cheryl Iverson	John Otto	Marshal Wright
Rachel Budavich	John Jenkins	Edward Pierce	Bradford Young
William Buker	Kendra Jezek	Rebecca Poore	Daobin Zhang
David Burkus	Scarlet Jost	Gary Pranger	Charles Zwick
Lenore Butay	Lori Kanitz	Kenneth Preston	Olgy Gary
Patricia Catts	Gary Kern	Christie Putman	Marcela Chavan
Carlos Chale'	Robert Kiel	Robert Quant	Edythe Wood
Stephanie Coker	Jiwon Kim	William Ranahan	Gwetheldene Holzman
William Collier	Catherine Klehm	Sandra Richardson	Kathaleen Reid-Martinez,
Even Culp	John Korstad	Warren Rieger	Provost
Walter Cyprowski	Laura Krohn	Joe Ann Robinson	William M. Wilson,
James Davidson	Mark Labash	James Russell	President
Edward Decker	Jeffrey Lamp	Steven Rydin	
Linda Dunham	Gerald Landers	Angela Sample	Adjunct Faculty
David Dyson	Andrew Lang	Courtney Sanders	Garnet Baker
Cal Easterling	Barbara Law	Terry Shannon	Mandel Chenoweth
Timothy Ekblad	Robert Leland	James Shelton	David Connor
William Elliott	Ruby Libertus	Sally Shelton	Ying Chen Fang
William Ellis	Hayoung Lim	Connie Sjoberg	Jayne Ann Harder
Lanny Endicott	Xiao Fan Sophie Liu	E. Glenn Smith	Sosha Turtova
William Epperson	Marcia Livingston	Raymond Smith	Jeffrey Voth
Albert Essandoh	Leighanne Locke	Debra Sowell	
Agena Farmer	Kerry Loescher	Bob Steward	
David Farnsworth	William Lyons	Robert Stewart	
Randall Feller	Xiaomin Ma	John Swails	
Joseph Fulton	Jane Malcolm	Cheryl Swanson	
Joel Gaikwad	Nancy Mankin	Sherri Tapp	
Rhonda Gallagher	Charlene Martin	Bruno Teles	
Beverly Garrison	Rinne Martin	Daniel Thimell	
Jay Gary	Tom Mathew	Audrey Thompson	
George Gillen	John Matsson	John Thompson	
Keith Gogan	Sergio Matviuk	Robert Thorpe	