

**Admissions and Credits Committee
September 13, 2023**

Members Present

Victoria Ayres
Jane Baker
Ed Beason
Kelsey Hewitt
Amy Hill
Harry Ingle
Damian Kubiak
Carol McGee
Barbara Jared
Tom Timmerman
Lenly Weathers
Kayla Wilson
Frankie Wolford
Kumar Yelmarthi

Members Absent

Robert Owens
Dennis Tennant
Rena Wood

Guests

Karen Lykins
Frank Tittle
Jerri Winningham

Dr. Beason called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

Dr. Yelmarthi made the motion to approve the agenda as presented to the committee and Dr. Timmerman second the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of March 30 Minutes

Dr. Jared made the motion to approve the minutes as presented to the committee and Dr. Timmerman second the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Holistic Review Committee

Dr. Beason shared with the committee members the purpose of the Holistic Review Committee. It is a subcommittee of the full committee to review applicants who do not meet the minimum admission requirements or students who submit request for exceptions to University's policies that are forward from the Registrar's staff. Dr. Beason gave examples that had previously been submitted to the committee for review.

Dr. Tittle followed up by informing the committee members from last August up to this point there had been 201 reviewed by this committee for admission to the University. Approximately 115 of those applicants were admitted. Applicants must submit a letter to the committee in addition to the other materials that are required for admission. Most of these applicants considered were for the fall semester. Dr. Yelmarthi questioned Dr. Tittle if the applicants were evenly spread across the colleges or were they more focused to a specific college. After reviewing the spreadsheet of applicants, Dr. Tittle said that they were spread out across the campus. Also, he wanted to be transparent in that some applicants are admitted based on a sliding scale that had been approved by the full committee of the Admissions and Credits. He started tracking this information when he was named as Director last fall. Dr. Yelmarthi wanted to know if the yield rate for this group of students was comparable to those who do meet the admission requirements. Dr. Tittle confirmed that the yield rate was comparable. Data is being pulled to review since the subcommittee has been in place for three years.

Dr. Beason questioned whether the current members wanted to continue serving who were at the meeting. Dr. Beason was willing to serve along with Ms. McGee and Ms. Wilson. Dr. Owens had already committed to serve prior to the meeting. Ms. Hewitt questioned whether student members may serve on the committee. Due to the nature of the information shared by the applicants, student members may not serve.

Policy Subcommittees

Dr. Beason asked if anyone was interested in serving on Policy 1200 Undergraduate Admission Requirements or Policy 1202 Readmission After Academic Suspension. If the full committee approves any changes to either policy, they must be submitted to Academic Council for approval. Dr. Yelmarthi requested to serve on Policy 1202. Dr. Yelmarthi requested for Dr. Tittle to also serve on the committee with him. Policy 1202 subcommittee members will be Dr. Beason, Dr. Tittle, and Dr. Yelmarthi. For Policy 1200, Dr. Jared agreed to serve along with Dr. Beason.

Such Other Items

Dr. Yelmarthi made the motion to adjourn and Ms. Wilson second the motion. Meeting adjourned.