# MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES JUNE 24, 2023

## UNIVERSITY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS BY ZOOM 9:00A.M.

#### **ACTION AGENDA**

### **Regular Session**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE......Henry C. Smock

#### **Election of Officers**

(Presentation/Discussion/Action)

The Governance Committee conducted its annual meeting for nominations as outlined in the Nomination Process adopted by the Board of Trustees. Nominations were received for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair. A slate of candidates was obtained and approved as required by the process. This slate is being presented to the Board of Trustees for their deliberation and action.

#### Action required.

- **3.** Approval of Minutes March 4, 2023 Meeting Matters arising from the Minutes.
- 4. Old Business
- 5. New Business
- 6. Approval of Consent Agenda
- **7.** President's Report
- 8. Chairman's Comments
- 9. Board Committee Items

## Academic, Research, and Student Affairs......Dr. John Quelch

# A. Associate of Applied Science in Renewable Energy Technology (Presentation/Discussion/Action)

The proposal for the Associate of Applied Sciences degree in Renewable Energy Technology, as approved by the faculty, was presented by Provost McKayle and Dr. Greg Guannel, Director of the Caribbean Green Technology Center, on behalf of the College of Science and Mathematics.

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Renewable Energy Technology (RET) is designed to educate students and future professionals in basic electrical concepts, various renewable energy technologies, and installing and repairing photovoltaic (PV) systems. The degree will generate an educated labor force that can assist the United States Virgin Islands, the Caribbean region, and the United States in accelerating the transition to renewable energy. It is necessary for the workforce in the territory to be prepared for this transformation and to receive the essential training in the design, construction, installation, and maintenance of these systems.

The ARSA Committee voted unanimously to accept the proposal to approve the Associate of Applied Sciences degree in Renewable Energy Technology. The committee's recommendation is forwarded to the full Board for review and action at its June 24, 2023 meeting.

Action Required.

## **B.** Bachelor of Science in Animal Science

(Presentation/Discussion/Action)

Provost McKayle and Dr. Usman Adamu, Dean and Director of the School of Agriculture, presented the proposal for the Bachelor of Science degree program in Animal Science as approved by the faculty.

This program is designed to prepare students for careers in various animal science-related fields. Graduates will be prepared to work in livestock operations, feed/pharmaceutical sales, barn/ranch management, livestock procurement, food processing, meat inspection/grading, and quality control throughout the agriculture production sector. The curriculum consists of courses in Animal Science, Animal Nutrition, Anatomy and Physiology, Breeding, and Genetics, Animal Behavior and Welfare, and Animal Health and Disease.

The ARSA Committee voted unanimously to accept the proposal to approve the Bachelor of Science degree program in Animal Science. The committee's recommendation is forwarded to the full Board for review and action at its June 24, 2023, meeting.

Action Required.

# C. Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business (Action Required)

(Presentation/Discussion/Action)

Provost McKayle and Dr. Usman Adamu, Dean and Director of the School of Agriculture, presented the proposal for the Bachelor of Science degree program in Agricultural Business as approved by the faculty.

This program prepares graduates for a wide range of career opportunities in agribusiness. The Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business degree program provides students with a solid foundation in agriculture, finance, management, and economics. It enables them to make risk-aware business decisions utilizing applied mathematics and statistics to examine prices and markets. Coursework focuses on farm management and planning, finance, marketing, international agricultural trade, economics, and agriculture-related subjects, which prepares students for careers in agricultural business and agriculture-related fields, including but not limited to Financial and Policy Analyst, Loan/Credit Officer, Extension Agent and Specialist, Commodities Inspector, Farm Manager, and Consulting in agriculture-related businesses.

The ARSA Committee voted unanimously to accept the proposal to approve the Bachelor of Science degree program in Animal Science. The committee's recommendation is forwarded to the full Board for review and action at its June 24, 2023, meeting.

Action Required.

### D. Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business

(Presentation/Discussion/Action)

Provost McKayle and Dr. Usman Adamu, Dean and Director of the School of Agriculture, presented the proposal for the Bachelor of Science degree program in Agroecology as approved by the faculty.

The Bachelor of Science in Agroecology prepares students for careers in sustainable agriculture, sustainable development, natural resource management, and food policy. It may also encourage them to continue their education in graduate school and pursue academic careers. This program's curriculum provides a broad foundation for the School of Agriculture's and other department's course offerings.

The ARSA Committee voted unanimously to accept the proposal to approve the Bachelor of Science degree program in Agroecology. The committee's recommendation is forwarded to the full Board for review and action at its June 24, 2023, meeting.

Action Required.

Planning Committee......Dr. Lois Hassell-Habtes

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

(Presentation/Discussion)

The Planning Committee received a report on the KPIs as linked to UVI's Strategic Plan: Greatness Through Innovation. The report focused on Graduation Rate, Degrees

Awarded, DFW Rates, Financial Aid, NSSE High Impact Practices, Enhancing the Student Experience, and Development Indicators.

No action required.

- 10. Executive Session
- 11. Other Business
- 12. Adjournment