

THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT MONROE

Commencement Committee Minutes April 14, 2014

Members Present: F. Adams, J. Anderson, J. Boldin, S. Burchfield, P. Calk, K. Crowley, T. Doke, D. Duplechin (guest), D. Golemon, F. Gregory, L. Hopper, S. Mahon, M. Mazza, M. Mobley, T. Mullone, L. Pace, C. Smith, C. Strunk, A. Walker, E. Williamson, R. Williamson, J. Wood, M. Wortham

Members Absent: L. Anderson, D. Bernard, P. Bowers, C. Campbell, Y. Camper, J. Cottingham, G. Dahl, D. Davis, E. El Giar, J. Feldhaus, D. Glaze, R. Hayes, C. Hummel, D. Lanham, C. Lee, A. Malta, C. Mapp, K. McCrary, P. Miller, R. Minton, C. Murphy, A. Netterville, J. Pope, P. Roshto, A. Sharma, R. Stewart, D. Stokes, C. Strickler, D. Sumner, M. Thomas, R. Thurlkill, K. Whorton, A. Wiedemeier

The April 14, 2014, meeting of the Commencement Committee (CC), held in Student Center 170, was called to order at 3:32 p.m. by Committee Chair Karen Crowley. The meeting was comprised of the following agenda items:

1. Welcome

Ms. Crowley welcomed members and thanked them for their time and service.

2. Review of Minutes – November 18, 2013

Minutes from the November 18, 2013, meeting were reviewed and approved (motion, T. Doke; second, D. Goleman).

3. Overview of 2014 Spring Commencement

Ms. Crowley made the following remarks about the 2014 Spring Commencement:

- As of this date, we will award 792 degrees, with 674 candidates planning to walk.
- Dr. Bette Kauffman will be the announcer for the ceremony.
- We will award an honorary doctorate to Tex Kilpatrick.
- The Honorable Dave Norris, mayor of West Monroe, will deliver the commencement address.

4. Rehearsal and Ceremony Dates/Times

Ms. Crowley called committee members' attention to the following dates and times for the 2014 Spring rehearsal and ceremony:

- Rehearsal - Friday, May 9, 2014, 9:00 a.m.; all committee members report to Coliseum 43 at 8:30 a.m.
- Ceremony – Saturday, May 10, 2014, 10:00 a.m.; all committee members report to Coliseum 43 at 9:00 a.m.

5. Preparation for Rehearsal and Ceremony

The following items were discussed in preparation for the upcoming rehearsal and ceremony:

- **Review of marching order:** Ms. Crowley explained the changes in marching order to reflect the academic reorganization.
- **Review of instructions and assignments:** Ms. Williamson directed committee members to the *Practice and Commencement Instructions for Marshals* handout and the Fant-Ewing diagram on which assignments are indicated.
- **Volunteer Sign-Up:** Committee members were asked to volunteer to hang/remove signs and labels, as well as distribute rehearsal packets.
- **Candidate/guest information:** Informational documents for students and guests, including a hood-color guide for professional and graduate students, are posted on the [Registrar's page](#) under the *Commencement* link.

6. Other Business

There was no other business brought forward.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Crowley, Chair
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