

## University Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 19, 2026

1:30 p.m. | President's Conference Room

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### Attendees: (*\*Absent\**)

#### Executive Cabinet

Darlene Brannigan Smith, Interim President  
Sharman Adams, Associate Provost  
Troy Donoway, VP of Administration & Finance  
Jeff Graham, Senior Associate VP of Student Affairs

#### Faculty Senate

Justin Dunmyre, Chair  
Jenna Epstein  
Skott Brill

#### Staff Senate

Sara Wilhelm, Chair  
Amy Nightengale\*  
Harry Fike

#### Student Government Association

Emma Craddock, President\*  
Cierra Cooper

#### Graduate Student Association

Hailey Unger, President  
Cam King  
Nick Mullen\* (Angie Gonzales – virtually)

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### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

### Approval of Minutes

The November meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

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### President's Update

- FSU will not be required to testify before legislative committees this session; however, leadership continues to coordinate closely with USM regarding legislation.
  - The state budget outlook is relatively positive for USM and its institutions. Legislators have been reminded of prior budget reductions and the institution's lean operations, with a request for no additional cuts.
  - Collective bargaining discussions continue across three areas:
    - Graduate Assistants (system supporting)
    - Adjuncts and non-tenure-track faculty (system supporting)
    - All faculty (system not supporting due to workload implications, need for additional administrative capacity, and other factors)
  - Announcement made of FSU's 16th President, Dr. Shadow JQ Robinson.
  - Updated [OKRs](#) were reviewed.
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### Provost's Update

- 45 investment fund applications have been received.

- The Appalachian Regional Tuition Proposal has been submitted to select-USM leadership for possible consideration at a future Board of Regents meeting. USM has requested additional research; a revised proposal may be resubmitted.
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### Old Business

- Action items from the November meeting will be addressed at the April meeting.
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### New Business

#### **Replacing Meters/Updated Violations and Fines (Donoway)**

- Proposed updates were presented (see attachments).

#### **Graduate Student Scholarships (Unger)**

- Efforts are underway to establish additional graduate scholarships in anticipation of potential legislative impacts.
- Coordination is occurring with the Foundation.
- Mr. Short will be consulted regarding whether existing scholarships can be modified to help offset federal-level changes.

#### **Barriers to Aid for Winter or Summer Sessions (Unger)**

- Eligibility challenges for intersession financial aid were discussed.
- These barriers are federal in nature, not institutional.
- Leadership continues to raise the issue with legislators.
- Options under consideration include intersession scholarships and new Foundation-supported funding.
- Dr. Smith and Ms. Epstein will meet to explore next steps.

#### **GSA Office Space (Unger)**

- GSA requested relocation from a residence hall space.
- Mr. Donoway will work with Ms. Unger to identify an alternative location.

#### **GSA Programming Updates (Unger)**

- Six events planned for this semester: four virtual and two in person (one at USM-H).
  - Programming includes networking, wellness, alumni engagement, and a LinkedIn workshop.
  - An opportunity grant application is being submitted to support graduate regalia, with a rental model for future use.
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### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

Next meeting: April 23, 2026

Submitted by: Donnell H. VanSkiver, CAP, MEP, OM  
Executive Administrative Assistant III

<b>Admin Circle &amp; Library (2 hours max)</b>	
\$2.00	1 hour
\$2.25	1 hour & 15 min
\$2.50	1 hour & 30 min
\$2.75	1 hour & 45 min
\$3.00	2 hours

<b>Hitchins Visitor Spots (4 hours max)</b>	
\$2.00	1 hour
\$2.25	1 hour & 15 min
\$2.50	1 hour & 30 min
\$2.75	1 hour & 45 min
\$3.00	2 hours
\$3.25	2 hours & 15 min
\$3.50	2 hours & 30 min
\$3.75	2 hours & 45 min
\$4.00	3 hours
\$4.25	3 hours & 15 min
\$4.50	3 hours & 30 min
\$4.75	3 hours & 45 min
\$5.00	4 hours

**PROPOSED UPDATED VIOLATIONS AND FINES**

- MOBILE PAY VIOLATION - \$30
- FAIL TO DISPLAY/WRONG LOT - \$40
- RESTRICTED PARKING - \$50 (RESERVED, LOADING DOCK, VISITOR SPACE, OVERNIGHT)  
NO PARKING ANYTIME - \$50 (FIRE HYDRANT, FIRE LANE, GRASS, OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC)  
PARKED IN HANDICAPPED SPACE - \$200
- USING LOST/STOLEN/FRAUDULENT PERMIT - \$200

(16) Parking overtime in a metered area (Meters require coin activation; a parking permit does not authorize metered parking).

ARTICLE IV - VIOLATIONS, FINES AND APPEALS

**Sec.2. Fines**

Restricted Parking	\$25.00
Parked in a Reserved Space	\$20.00
Permit Revoked	\$30.00
Fraudulent Registration	\$50.00
Parked by Fire Hydrant	\$20.00
Blocking Fire Lane	\$20.00
Parked in the grass/sidewalk	\$20.00
Parking in handicapped space	\$100.00
Improper Display of Permit	\$20.00
Annapolis /Chesapeake/Student Services Lot Restricted	\$50.00
Parked at Loading Dock	\$50.00
Meter Violation	\$10.00
No Parking Anytime	\$20.00
Overtime Parking	\$20.00
Obstructing Traffic	\$20.00
Using Lost/Stolen Permit	\$200.00
Parking in Visitor Space	\$20.00
Wrong Lot	\$20.00
Failure to Display Valid Permit	\$30.00
Parked in Personally Reserved Space	\$50.00

***All parking violations (except Parking in Handicapped space) are half-off the original price if paid by the end of the next business day.***

**Sec.3. Payment**

All fines must be paid to University Billing (Pullen Hall) within 15 days (Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays excluded) of issuance of a violation notice unless a court appearance of the violation is then pending.

If payment is made at University Billing before the end of the business day following the date of the issuance of the violation notice, the fine shall be discounted 50% as a reflection of the reduced costs of processing such promptly paid fines. Payment of a fine constitutes a guilty plea and a forfeit of the right to appeal.