

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
NAMING COMMITTEE
EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
CHARLESTON, ILLINOIS**

February 3, 2021 8:30 AM via Zoom

Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll was called. Members present: Carlos Amaya – Presidential Appointee, Diane Burns – Council of Chairs, Angie Campbell – Staff Senate, Mona Davenport – Presidential Appointee, Don Holly – Faculty Senate, Claudia Janssen-Danyi – CAA, and Ken Wetstein, VPUA (ex-officio).

Guests in attendance: April Marchuk, Assistant to VPUA, Matt Fopay, JG-TC and Corryn Brock, DEN.

Approval of Minutes

A roll call vote was taken to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2021 meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously.

SharePoint Folder

VP Wetstein will email the Committee a link to the SharePoint folder which will serve as the storage place for members to access and share information, feedback, comments and historical materials.

Survey Questions

Dr. Burns reported that she spoke with Dr. Caridad

Brito from the Psychology Department about the survey. She recommends using the EIU logo, keeping the survey short and the questions simple, such as “Do you think the Douglas Hall name should be changed?” or “Do you think the name should be retained?” with choices such as agree, disagree or no opinion with space provided for comments. The survey should include historical information on the Lincoln Douglas Debate and naming of Douglas Hall and a summary of previous reviews of the issue. Additional information could be made available by providing a link to the Naming Committee or EIU website. She suggests sending an email blast to EIU faculty, staff and students and doing a press release with information on the survey and how to access it.

Forum Questions and Format discussion

The Committee agreed the questions for the forums should be the same as the ones on the survey.

Guest Speaker idea

Angie Campbell said the Lincoln Douglas Debate museum in Charleston suggested David Kent Coy as a guest speaker and expert on the debate held in Charleston.

Public Comment

There was no public comment at this meeting.

Other Business or Items for Discussion

VP Wetstein suggested the Committee use the month of February to create and finalize the survey and forum questions and format. The forums will be scheduled and the surveys made accessible during the month of March. The Committee will review and assess the feedback in April.

The Committee will discuss and review a draft of the survey and forum questions at their meeting on February 17, 2021.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.