

PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA

**Policy Library Committee
Monday, November 18, 2019, 1:00 p.m.
Altgeld Hall, Room 225
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois**

Voting Members Present:

- Beth Ingram
- Kendall Thu
- Cathy Doederlein
- Greg Brady
- Richard Siegesmund
- Jeffry Royce
- Rebecca Hunt
- Vernese Edghill-Walden

Others Present:

- Carolinda Douglass
- Antoinette Bridges
- Jeanne Meyer
- Khalfani Mar'Na

Voting Members Absent:

- Betsy Hull
- Anne Kenney
- Naomi Bolden

I. Call to Order

Policy Librarian **R. Hunt** called the meeting to order at **1:00pm**.

II. Verification of Quorum

A quorum was established.

III. Approval of Meeting Agenda

R. Siegesmund moved, second by **K. Thu**.

Agenda approved.

IV. Approval of Minutes for October 21, 2019

R. Siegesmund moved, second by **K. Thu**.

Minutes approved.

V. Public Comment

None.

VI. Consent Agenda

None.

VII. Unfinished Business

a. Student Code of Conduct

R. Hunt clarifies the question from the previous meeting regarding the addition of “cannabis” on page 15 and “marijuana” on page 16. The question was regarding the consistency and use of the terms.

J. Meyer present to provide clarity. The code of conduct will read as “cannabis use on campus still prohibited” which aligns with the Illinois Statute. The new Statute would allow cannabis use in compliance with the new Act.

J. Meyer regarding the question of terminology “drug”: this is because of the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act. In order to receive funding, those institutions [receiving funding] must follow the federal definition which still defines marijuana as a drug. Under the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, cannabis is still prohibited so the university will follow the definition under this Act.

Explains campus wide educational program (November through January) explaining the new legislation and enforcement on campus.

Discussion:

K. Thu questions off-campus use and whether the prohibition includes possession as well.

J. Meyer clarifies that yes, includes possession on campus.

J. Meyer gives further clarity on the controlling law regarding off campus use.

C. Douglass questions those possessing the drug in their vehicle. **J. Meyer** states that having it in vehicle is still a violation, provided vehicle is on campus.

J. Meyer reiterates the importance of federal funding and abiding by the guidelines so [the university] does not lose funding.

V. Edghill-Walden questions the interactions with DeKalb police and over-policing of students of color.

J. Meyer clarifies the role of Student Conduct is to educate the campus community and the need for obtaining a police report if/when student is involved with DeKalb Police so steps appropriate steps can be taken.

V. Edghill-Walden reiterates the need for objective enforcement of the Code of Conduct and the role of DeKalb police when stopping students suspected of using marijuana.

K. Thu notes the need for **J. Meyer** and others to attend a Faculty Senate meeting to explain this policy.

R. Hunt requests motion to accept the policy.

J. Royce moved, second by **C. Doederlein**.

Motion passed.

VIII. New Business

- a. Competition Requirements for Small Purchases Greater than or Equal to \$20,000 Policy

R. Hunt provides brief explanation of the policy including the need to expedite approval of the policy since it's already in effect. **A. Bridges**, Director of Procurement Services present.

A. Bridges explains that the policy was designed with the purpose of obtaining competitive quotes within the threshold of "small purchase" and the need to obtain and promote diverse vendors and/or small businesses. **A. Bridges** explains these [initiatives] went into effect in Feb of 2019, however, months behind in getting the policy implemented. Training has been scheduled and **A. Bridges** would like this policy to be approved so that it can be included on the website. Without approval, they will not have this available [to provide in training].

Discussion:

K. Thu questions how it differs from previous policy.

A. Bridges clarifies that this provides the requirement of two quotes which creates greater competitive rates and prices for obtaining those contracts.

B. Ingram moved to approve, second by **R. Siegesmund**.

Motion passed.

R. Hunt adds that the policy will be uploaded to the Policy Library by noon tomorrow (11/19).

IX. Announcements

None.

X. Adjournment

R. Siegesmund moved, second by **K. Thu**

Meeting adjourned at **1:19pm**.