

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
October 24, 2002

1.

A special meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, October 24, 2002 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Jan Goodwin presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Alleva, Patti	Hikins, James	Okunishi, Takeshi
Anderson, Angie	Hoffmann, Mark	Perry, David
Baker, Adam	Hume, Wendelin	Petros, Thomas
Bartsch, Brent	Jenniges, Sharleen	Porter, James
Blackburn, Royce	Jerath, Sukhvarsh	Rakow, Lana
Bridewell, John	Jose, Matt	Romanick, Mark
DeMers, Judy	Kenville, Kimberly	Ruff, Nick
Drewes, Mary	Knight, Barbara	Ryan, Steffen
Ettling, John	Krogh, Nancy	Sheridan, William
Fivizzani, Albert	Lee, Randy	Stanlake, Lowell
Gerber, Anne	Levang, Chris	Stofferahn, Curtis
Goodwin, Janice	Lovseth, Jon	Thompson, Myra
Hanhan, Sara	Marshall, David	Tiffany, Mark
Hansen, Kenneth	Murphy, Eric	Zidon, Margaret
Heitkamp, Thomasine	Norman, Katherine	

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Bagheri, Fathollah	Jackson, Jon	James
Benoit, Joseph	Jeno, Susan	Shaeffer, Margaret
Boyd, Robert	Kupchella, Charles	Skramstad, Allan
Davis, Jeremy	McBride, Rosanne	Smith, Bruce
Elbert, Dennis	Nichols, Elizabeth	Stolt, Wilbur
Elsinga, Lillian	Porter, Kimberly	Thureen, Faythe
Gagnon, Gregory	Potvin, Martha	Venhuizen, Brett
Gallager, Robert	Rice, Daniel	Watson, John
Goenner, Cullen	Romero, Alan Shaeffer,	Wilson, H. David

4.

The following announcements were made:

A. The chair announced that she would ask Senate members to write motions on the forms found at the end of each row to allow members to more easily communicate motions or amendments to the Senate.

5.

The Chair asked for corrections or additions to the October 3, 2002 minutes. There being none, the minutes were approved.

6.

The Senate considered the proposed changes to the constitution. The chair asked the Senate to consider the document in sections, beginning with Section I, The Governing Board. The Senate began informal discussion. Mr. Perry moved

to accept Section I changing the words "he/she" or "his/her" to "the President" wherever they appear in the document. The motion carried on a vote of 44 in favor, 1 opposed.

7.

The Senate considered Section II, The University Legislature. Mr. Petros moved to return the stricken sentence on line 17, part 1.a, that reads "The University Legislature shall consist of the Council and its Senate." After discussion the motion carried on a vote of 41 in favor, 4 opposed with 1 abstention. Mr. Murphy moved to strike the words "academic senate" and replace them with "University Senate" everywhere they appear in the document. After discussion, the motion carried on a vote of 29 in favor, 16 opposed. Ms. Demers moved to delete the comma and the words "who are employed primarily on the Grand Forks campus" from line 19, part 1.b. After discussion, the motion carried by a vote of 41 in favor, 2 opposed with 1 abstention. Mr. Perry moved to change on line 35, part 1.c(2) the words "two and one-half" to the word "three." After discussion, the motion carried 33 in favor, 11 opposed. Discussion continued on Section II. Mr. Hikins moved to add to the end of line 29, part 1.c(1) the words "and directors." The motion was not seconded and was not considered. Ms. Hanhan moved to include on line 23, part 1.b. the words "associate vice presidents who concurrently hold faculty rank" after the words "associate deans." Discussion ensued. Mr. Perry offered a friendly amendment to move the words "associate vice presidents who concurrently hold faculty rank" after the words "vice presidents" on line 20, part 1.b. Ms. Hanhan accepted the friendly amendment. The motion carried on a vote of 40 in favor, 4 opposed. The discussion on Section II continued. Mr. Stofferahn moved to change the words "the total numbers of elected Council members on the Senate" on line 34, part 1.c(2) to "the total number of faculty members without administrative appointment elected from the Council to the Senate." Mr. Petros offered a friendly amendment to change the wording to "the total number of faculty members without administrative appointments beyond that of chairperson." After continued discussion, the motion was defeated on a vote of 30 opposed, 13 in favor with 1 abstention. Mr. Petros moved to change lines 8 and 9, part 2.a by inserting "in consultation with the President" after the words "the chairperson of the Senate." The motion carried on a vote of 39 in favor, 4 opposed. Mr. Petros moved to insert a new section after part 2.a stating "the fall meeting shall include the opportunity for the President to present his annual state of the university address." Ms. Norman offered a friendly amendment to change the word "his" to "the." The friendly amendment was accepted. After discussion, the motion carried 38 in favor, 4 opposed. Informal discussion on Section II continued. Mr. Stofferahn moved to approve Section II as amended. The motion carried 32 in favor, 9 opposed and 1 abstention.

8.

The chair presented Section III, The President, for discussion. Ms. Rakow moved to approve Section III as presented. The motion carried on a vote of 40 in favor, 2 opposed.

9.

The chair presented Section IV, Administrative Officers, for discussion. Mr. Jerath moved to approve section IV as presented. The motion carried on a vote of 40 in favor, 2 opposed.

10.

The chair introduced section V, The Faculties, and stated the "he/she" references would be changed to the word "deans" where ever they appeared. Mr.

Sheridan moved approval of Section V. Discussion ensued. Mr. Murphy moved to amend the motion by removing the words "and/or" from the beginning of line 30, part 2 and to replace the words "conducting research" with "scholarly activity." The Senate discussed the amendment.

11.

Mr. Petros moved to extend the meeting to 5:45 p.m. The motion carried.

12.

The discussion on the amendment continued. The motion was defeated on a vote of 37 opposed, 7 in favor. Discussion continued on the main motion. Mr. Murphy moved to amend the motion by adding the words "consistent with University and Board policy" at the end of line 7, part 3. The motion on the amendment failed on a vote of 28 opposed, 14 in favor. The Senate approved the main motion to approve Section V on a vote of 41 in favor, 1 opposed.

13.

The chair introduced Section VI, The Service of Faculty and Administrative Officers, for informal discussion. Mr. Perry moved to approve section VI as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

14.

At 5:45 p.m. Mr. Bridewell moved to extend the meeting time for 15 minutes. The motion carried.

15.

The chair introduced Section VII. Mr. Sheridan moved to delete the old section VII, University Property, and to approve the new section VII, Staff. The motion carried unanimously.

16.

Mr. Marshall moved to approve Section VIII, Communication and Cooperation. The motion carried unanimously.

17.

Mr. Marshall moved to approve Section IX, Amendments. The motion carried unanimously.

18.

Mr. Murphy moved to reconsider Section VIII, Communication and Cooperation. The motion carried on a vote of 36 in favor, 6 opposed. Mr. Petros moved to delete section A. of Section VIII. Mr. Murphy offered a friendly amendment, that was accepted by Mr. Petros, to amend section b. for consistency. After Senate discussion, Mr. Petros withdrew the motion. Mr. Hansen moved to insert the words "consistent with this constitution" after the word "Board" on line 22, part 2.a. Discussion continued.

19.

At 6:00 p.m. Mr. Petros moved to extend the meeting five minutes. The motion was approved.

20.

After continued discussion on the amendment, the motion failed on a vote of 36 opposed, 5 in favor with 1 abstention. Mr. Sheridan moved to approve Section VIII, Communication and Cooperation. The motion carried on a vote of 37 in favor, 2 opposed.

21.

Mr. Sheridan moved to extend the meeting until 6:12 p.m. The motion carried.

22.

Ms. DeMers moved to approve the constitution as amended in its entirety. After discussion, the motion carried on a vote of 31 in favor, 6 opposed.

23.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Nancy Krogh
Secretary to the Senate