

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting  
May 1, 2003

1.

The May meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, May 1, 2003 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Jan Goodwin presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Alleva, Patti	Hikins, James	Ryan, Steffen
Alfonso, Peter	Hildre, Nate	Shaeffer, Margaret
Bagheri, Fathollah	Hoffmann, Mark	Shaeffer, James
Baker, Adam	Hume, Wendelin	Sheridan, William
Blackburn, Royce	Jeno, Susan	Skramstad, Allan
Boyd, Robert	Jerath, Sukhvarsh	Smith, Bruce
Bridewell, John	Krogh, Nancy	Stanlake, Lowell
DeMers, Judy	Lee, Randy	Stofferahn, Curtis
Drewes, Mary	Marshall, David	Stolt, Wilbur
Effertz, Kayla	Murphy, Eric	Thompson, Myra
Elsinga, Lillian	Nichols, Elizabeth	Tiffany, Mark
Fivizzani, Albert	Norman, Katherine	Tschacher, Walter
Gagnon, Gregory	Perry, David	Watson, John
Goodwin, Janice	Petros, Thomas	Zidon, Margaret
Hanhan, Sara	Potvin, Martha	Zierdt, Candace
Hansen, Kenneth	Rakow, Lana	
Heitkamp, Thomasine	Romero, Alan	

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Anderson, Angie	Jackson, Jon	Porter, James
Bartsch, Brent	Jenniges, Sharleen	Porter, Kimberly
Benoit, Joseph	Jose, Matt	Rice, Daniel
Downie, Morgan	Kenville, Kimberly	Romanick, Mark
Elbert, Dennis	Knight, Barbara	Ruff, Nick
Ettling, John	Kupchella, Charles	Sukalski, Katherine
Gallager, Robert	Levang, Chris	Thureen, Faythe
Gerber, Anne	Lovseth, Jon	Venhuizen, Brett
Goenner, Cullen	McBride, Rosanne	Wilson, H. David

4.

The following announcements were made:

A. The secretary, on behalf of the President, the Provost, and a grateful Senate, thanked Chair Jan Goodwin for a year of exemplary service.

B. Ms. Goodwin announced that President Kupchella would not approve the policy presented by the Standing Committee on Faculty Rights and approved by the Senate on April 3, 2003. The chair will forward the concerns of the President to the Standing Committee on Faculty Rights to be considered next year.

C. Ms. Goodwin announced that if the changes in the constitution were approved at this meeting, another meeting must be held to finalize approval, and asked the Senate for feedback about when another special meeting of the Senate could be scheduled. After an informal poll Ms. Goodwin announced a special meeting would be scheduled on May 8.

5.

The chair opened the question period at 4:20 p.m.

Ms. Rakow asked about the President's concerns about the mediation document. Mr. Petros responded that his understanding was that at the time it was approved, the University general counsel had not yet reviewed it, but now had some concerns.

The question period closed at 4:24 p.m.

6.

Mr. Marshall moved to receive and file the annual report of the Senate Scholarly Activities Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

7.

The chair announced the deletion of items nine and ten from the Business Calendar and added the consideration of a resolution for Pick-A-Prof to the end of the Business Calendar agenda.

8.

Ms. Krogh moved to approve the list of candidates for degrees for Spring 2003. The list was approved unanimously.

9.

The Senate considered a motion from the University Curriculum Committee to approve the curriculum changes forwarded. The motion carried unanimously.

10.

Mr. Marshall moved to change the language in Article VII, Communication and Cooperation, part 1.a to read:

Communication or reports from University Senate or University Council pertaining to matters of University business to be presented to the Chancellor, and through the Chancellor to the Board, shall be first presented to the President for his/her examination.

The motion carried unanimously.

11.

Mr. Stofferahn moved to change Section VIII, Amendments, part 1 to read:

Amendments to the Constitution may be recommended to the President by the University Senate or amendments may be proposed to the University Senate by the President. Proposed amendments to the Constitution must have been approved at two meetings of the University Senate by a majority of the members present at those meetings.

Following that approval, the President shall submit the proposed amended Constitution to the Chancellor, according to Board policy (SBHE Policy 331).

The motion carried unanimously.

12.

Mr. Marshall moved to accept the entire constitution with the revisions of April 24, 2003 and from this meeting. After discussion the motion carried unanimously.

13.

Ms. Kathy Smart, on behalf of the Intellectual Property Committee, presented proposed changes to the Intellectual Property policy and moved adoption of the policy. The Senate discussed.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend the proposed policy in Section III, General Copyright Policy, part e. by replacing the phrase "disbursed at a minimum of 30 percent" with the phrase "disbursed at 60%." After discussion, the motion was defeated on a vote of 34 opposed, 11 in favor, with 2 abstentions.

Mr. Hansen moved to amend the proposed policy in Section III, General Copyright Policy, part e. by replacing the phrase "disbursed at a minimum of 30 percent" with the phrase "disbursed at a minimum of 50%." The motion carried with 26 in favor, 15 opposed, and 8 abstentions.

The Senate voted to approve the Intellectual Property policy as amended with 46 in favor and 1 abstention.

14.

Mr. Petros presented the results of the Ad Hoc Committee on Teaching Evaluation Policy and a proposed policy on teaching evaluation from the Committee. The Senate discussed the proposed policy. Mr. Murphy asked that the acronyms in the document be spelled out. Mr. Petros accepted this as a friendly amendment. Discussion continued. Mr. Watson offered a friendly amendment to insert the words "in consultation with the chair" after the words "of at least three sources of data" in the first sentence of Section 4. This was accepted as a friendly amendment. The Senate continued discussion. Ms. Hanhan moved to amend the policy by adding the word "advising" to Section 2, paragraph 1 to read:

The evaluation process should reflect the full range of teaching activities, including classroom teaching, mentoring, course and curriculum development, laboratory, clinical, or studio supervision, direction of independent

research projects, scholarly/ grant activity related to teaching, learning assessment activity, advising, etc.

The motion carried on a vote of 37 in favor with 5 opposed and 2 abstentions. The Senate continued to discuss the policy as amended. Mr. Murphy offered a friendly amendment to include the sentence "All student data will be offered voluntarily" at the end of the second paragraph in Section 4. The friendly amendment was accepted. Discussion continued.

15.

Mr. Petros moved to extend the meeting until 5:35 p.m. The motion carried.

16.

Discussion of the proposed teaching evaluation policy continued.

17.

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

18.

The discussion on the policy continued. The question was called and was approved on a vote of 26 in favor with 2 opposed and 1 abstention. The motion to approve as amended was voted on and approved with a vote of 35 in favor, 4 opposed and 2 abstentions (attachment 1).

19.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Nancy Krogh  
Secretary to the Senate