Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
January 10, 2008

1.

The January meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, January 10, 2008 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Tom Petros presided.

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The following members of the Senate were present:

Anderson, Katherine  Grandstrand, Tyrone  Mertz, Tara
Anderson, Suzanne  Grant, Emanuel  Moen, Jan
Axtman, Benjamin  Haskins, James  Mortinson, Matthew
Baker, Mary  Hoffarth, Janice  Murphy, Eric
Bass, Gail  Hume, Wendelin  Petros, Thomas
Benoit, Joseph  Hunter, Susan  Poochigian, Donald
Berne, Jane  Iverson, Joneen  Potvin, Martha
Boyd, Robert  Jackson, Jon  Rendahl, Stephen
Bradley, April  Jackson, Margaret  Reza, Hassan
Broedel, Hans  Jerath, Sukhvarsh  Rice, Daniel
Buhr, Jordan  Johnson, Gary  Richards, Thomas
Campbell, Katherine  Kaler, Amanda  Rieke, Judy
Cripe, Haylee  Kitzes, Adam  Rosenberger, Thad
Dore, Van  Kupchella, Charles  Stolt, Wilbur
Elbert, Dennis  Lawrence, David  Sun, Jeffrey
Elsinga, Lillian  LeBel, Paul  Watson, John
Faruque, Saleh  Little, Michael  Weisenstein, Greg
Ferraro, Richard  Liu, Rugao  Wettersten, Kara
Fisher, Jay  Lothspeich, Jason  Widmer, Donovan
Gallager, Robert  Marshall, David  Wittgraf, Michael
Gordon, Gregory  Mayzer, Roni  Wu, Min
Gourneau, Bonni  Melland, Helen

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Anderson, Collin  Riedy, Joshua
Behrmann, William  Schnellert, Gary
Beneda, Nancy  Schwartz, Rhonda
Berwald, Olaf  Tepper, Nadine
Covington, Chandice  Wilson, H. David
DeMers, Judy
Drewes, Mary
Ghribi, Othman
Graves, Corey
Halvorson, Isaac
Ilams, Michele
Jeno, Sue
Khavanin, Mohammad
Light, Steven
Mamaghani, Iraj
Myrick, Matthew
Nelson, Susan
Perkins, Dexter
4. The following announcements were made:

a. Mr. Petros shared a handout regarding the campus visits of the Presidential candidates. There are special sessions for interaction with Senate leadership and all Senate members. He also called attention to the public forum sessions and encouraged attendance. There are forms available for feedback.

b. Mr. Petros reported on the request from the December Senate meeting for more detail on how indirect costs are used at UND. He indicated that he is working on the matter with the Budget Office and hopes to have more information at the next meeting.

5. The chair asked for corrections or additions to the December 6, 2007 minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as distributed.

6. The question period was opened at 4:16 p.m. There were no questions posed by the Senate membership. The question period closed at 4:17 p.m.

7. A motion was made by Mr. Haskins, and seconded by Mr. Jackson, to accept the Senate Library Committee annual report. The motion was approved.

8. Because Ms. Kubeck was not in attendance, the request for a clicker standard was not discussed. Ms. Kubeck will be asked to attend a future meeting.

9. Mr. Petros presented the request from the Standing Committee on Faculty Rights (SCoFR) to change the wording on the membership. Mr. Marshall, a member of SCoFR, spoke to the requested change. He stated that the Committee wishes to add a line to the membership description indicating that when a faculty member is elected to SCoFR, that person is no longer eligible for the Special Review Committee Pool. The change is requested to eliminate the potential for conflict of interest. Mr. Marshall moved approval of the change, which was seconded by Mr. Haskins. The motion passed with a vote of 56 for and 1 abstention.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Suzanne Anderson
Secretary to the Senate