Minutes of the University Senate Meeting  
May 7, 2009

1.

The May meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, 2009 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Jon Jackson presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Anderson, Ernest                  Grandstrand, Tyrone                  Miller, Charles
Anderson, Suzanne                 Haskins, James                     Munski, Doug
Baker, Mary                        Healy, Margaret                    O’Keefe, Tim
Bass, Gail                         Hoffmann, Mark                     Onchwari, Grace
Berwald, Olaf                      Houdek, Sherryl                    Perkins, Dexter
Brekke, Alice                      Hume, Wendelin                    Poochigian, Donald
Bridewell, John                    Hunter, Susan                      Potvin, Martha
DeMers, Judy                       Jackson, Jon                       Rice, Daniel
Doze, Van                          Jerath, Sukhvarsh                   Riedy, Joshua
Drechsel, Carol                    Kelley, Robert                     Smart, Kathy
Elbert, Dennis                     Kenville, Kimberly                  Smith, Wesley
Elsinga, Lillian                   Khavanin, Mohammad                 Stone, Chelsea
Erickson, Daniel                   Lawrence, David                    Ullrich, Gary
Fincke, Adam                       LeBel, Paul                        Wu, Min
Goodwin, Janice                    Lei, Sacbo
Gottschalk, Martin                 Lesch, Bill

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Benoit, Joseph                     Milavetz, Barry
Bowman, Frank                      Petros, Thomas
Boyd, Robert                       Rakow, Lana
Bradley, April                     Rand, Kathryn
Brevik, Harald                     Schlosser, Isaac
Broedel, Hans                      Sens, Mary Ann
Buhr, Jordan                       Slater, Seinquis
Burbach, Nathan                    Smith, Bruce
Carlson, Christine                 Stolt, Wilbur
Crawford, Sean                     Sun, Jeffrey
Crenshaw, Michael                  Swingen, Nicholas
Dewar, Graeme                      Tepper, Nadine
Dockter, Sally                     Terras, Katherine
El-Reewini, Hesham                 Traylor-Schaffzin, Kate
Ferraro, Richard                   Wanner, Kyle
Fershee, Josh                      Wilson, H. David
Gourneau, Bonni                    Wirth, Nicole
Hoffarth, Janice                   Knight, Barbara
Liepold, Loren                     Lie, Steven
Light, Steven                      Lim, Yeo
McBride, Rosanne                   McClure, Johnathan
McLennan, Kathleen                 McLennan, Kathleen
Melland, Helen
4.

The following announcements were made:

a. Mr. Jackson called attention to the Curriculum Committee addendum. There were corrections to the deleted course section (instead of deletions, two courses were new and one was a course change.)

b. Mr. Jackson introduced the new Vice President of Finance and Operations, Alice Brekke.

c. Mr. Jackson introduced the new bookstore manager, Derek Schulman. Mr. Schulman indicated that he wants to know of any bookstore issues so they can be addressed.

d. President Kelley acknowledged Jon Jackson’s year of service as chair of senate and presented him with a plaque.

e. Mr. Jackson announced that he will present the nickname resolution passed at the April Senate meeting to the State Board of Higher Education at their next meeting.

f. Mr. Jackson also indicated that the Higher Education bill was passed by the N.D. legislators. The legislative session went well for higher education.

5.

Mr. Jackson asked for corrections or additions to the minutes of the April 2, 2009, meeting. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as distributed.

6.

The question period was opened at 4:20 p.m.

Mr. Perkins asked, in light of the fact that there is an obesity problem in our country, why unhealthy food is served and promoted at UND. He also questioned why a large display of sugar soda is set up in the Memorial Union. Mr. Fincke indicated that the Student Senate has surveyed the students regarding food desires and the results will be provided to Dining Services. Mr. Munski spoke to the high quality of the dining services offerings at UND. Mr. Grandstrand indicated that there is a segment of the student population that request and want the less healthy foods.

The question period closed at 4:25 p.m.

7.

The annual report of the Senate Scholarly Activities Committee was presented. It was moved by Ms. DeMers and seconded by Ms. Smart to accept the report. There was no discussion and the report was approved.

8.

The May, 2009 candidates for degrees were presented. It was moved by Mr. Haskins and seconded by Ms. Elsinga to approve the candidates. The motion passed unanimously.

9.
The report from the Curriculum Committee and an addendum were reviewed. Mr. Haskins moved and Mr. Munski seconded, to approve the entire report. Ms. Potvin asked about two new courses: EDL 210 and 211. She was concerned about duplication with the new Leadership minor. Because she has not heard from EHD on the courses, she moved to exclude EDL 210 and 211 from consideration. Mr. Hoffmann seconded the motion. Ms. Healy indicated the courses already exist as EHD (special topics) and this is only to move them into EDL. Discussion ensued. The motion to exclude EDL 210 and 211 passed with a vote of 30 for, 8 against and 7 abstentions. The motion to accept the entire report passed unanimously.

10. Ms. Goodwin, chair of the Senate Committee on Committees, presented the Senate committee election results. It was moved by Ms. Bass and seconded by Ms. DeMers to approve the election results. The motion passed unanimously.

11. The proposed changes to the Code of Student Life were presented by Mr. Ullrich, chair, and Mr. Pelton, student chair, of the Student Policy Committee. Mr. Pelton introduced Cara Halgren, Associate Dean of Students, to explain the changes. She began with a diagram that described the difference in a criminal process and what is done at UND where violation of the Code is determined. Ms. Halgren explained the reasoning for the first change. Discussion ensued. Mr. Ullrich suggested splitting the changes and voting on each separately.

12. Quorum was lost and the ability to conduct business ended.

13. Discussion continued on the proposed changes to the Code of Student Life.

14. Ms. Kenville moved and Mr. Lesch seconded to adjourn the meeting due to the loss of quorum. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Suzanne Anderson
Secretary to the Senate