Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
April 7, 2011

1.

The April meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, 2011 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Kathy Smart presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Anderson, Ernest  
Anderson, Suzanne  
Antonova, Slavka  
Baker, Mary  
Bonner, Kelly  
Bonner Melissa  
Bowman, Frank  
Casler, James  
Doeze, Van  
Drewes, Mary  
Dunlevy, Jane  
Elmes, Nathan  
El-Rewini, Hesham  
Fershee, Kendra  
Flower, Ann  
Francis, Clare  
Gapp, Jacob  
Gerbert, Shane  
Gonzalez-Smith Suzanne  
Hall, Judith  
Heitkamp, Thomasine  
Iiams, Michele  
Jackson, Jon  
Johnson, Phyllis  
Keengwe, Jared  
Lagouette, Soizik  
Liepold, Loren  
Mynotte, Krista  
Moen, Joseph  
Munski, Doug  
Murphy, Eric  
Onchvari, Grace  
Rakow, Lana  
Rice, Daniel  
Routon, Claudia  
Runge, Robin  
Seddoh, Amebu  
Smart, Kathy  
Smith, Wesley  
Stofferahm, Curt  
Stolt, Wilbur  
Stone, Jan  
Sturges, Denyse  
Watson, William

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Anderson, Julie  
Badahdah, Abdallah  
Benoit, Joseph  
Berger, Albert  
Blackburn, Royce  
Brekke, Alice  
Campbell, Kate  
Elbert, Dennis  
Guy, Mark  
Halgren, Cara  
Hauschild, Grant  
Higgins, James  
Jehlicka, Brenden  
Jeno, Sue  
Johnson, Corbin  
Kelley, Robert  
Kenney, Lynda  
Kenville, Kimberly  
Kistner, Brian  
Kitzes, Adam  
Kubatova, Alena  
Larson, Claire  
LeBel, Paul  
Lei, Saobo  
Marasinghe, Kanishka  
McBride, Rosanne  
Mosher, Sarah  
Noiva, Jennifer  
Oversen, Kylie  
Rand, Kathryn  
Reesor, Lori  
Riedy, Joshua  
Schauer, Roger  
Semke, William  
Senn, Ryan  
Smith, Bruce  
Suleiman, Nabil  
Swartz, Kristi  
Tieman, Kathleen  
Tyree, Elizabeth  
Ullrich, Gary  
Worley, Deborah  
Wynne, Joshua  
Young, William
The following announcements were made:

a. Ms. Smart shared that Ms. Brekke had been asked to attend to explain the budget shortfall. She was unable to attend but will be invited to the May meeting.

b. Mr. Murphy shared that the Intellectual Property policy was to be presented at the April Senate meeting; however, the President needs to have the Intellectual Property procedure and policy presented at the same time. The IP Committee is working to complete the procedures portion. The expectation is that it will be ready for the May agenda.

c. Mr. Murphy shared that Jerry Pokrywinski passed away Thursday, March 31. He was important to the University community and Mr. Murphy asked for a moment of silence in honor of "Jerry, the barber."

d. Mr. Munski shared that the ND State Science and Engineering fair is being held on campus. He recognized the support, including financial, from: the President’s office; Vice President for Research, Phyllis Johnson; SEM Dean, Hesham El-Rewini; the Graduate and EHD deans; and several chairs. The presentations will be on display from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on April 8 in the Memorial Union Ballroom.

e. Ms. Rakow announced that on Saturday, April 30, there will be a Community Connect at Mountain, ND. UND faculty, students and staff will meet with legislative and media leaders on various rural community needs.

f. Mr. Stofferahn shared that the Senate Executive Committee drafted a letter of support and appreciation for the State Board of Higher Education in this difficult legislative year. There is also a letter of support being drafted for the President and his cabinet.

g. Mr. Gerbert shared that several UND students attended a Congress of Clubs in the Twin Cities for campuses in the region. He expressed appreciation for the faculty and their support of extracurricular groups.

The question period was opened at 4:25 p.m.

a. Mr. Munski asked Mr. Stolt about the delivery of Senator Dorgan’s papers. Mr. Stolt reported that Mr. Dorgan was on campus last Thursday and Friday. He visited student classes, attended meetings and toured the location for the papers. There are still agreements to be decided and logistics to be completed before the transition of the papers is complete. Mr. Stolt stated that UND has the finest collection of political papers of national North Dakota leaders of anyone in the country.

The question period closed at 4:30 p.m.

Ms. Smart asked for corrections or additions to the minutes of the March 3, 2011 meeting; hearing none, the minutes were approved as distributed.
The Annual report of the Senate Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct Committee was presented. Mr. Munski moved to accept the report. Mr. Stofferahn seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

8.

Mr. Stofferahn made a motion to add the proposal from the Academic Policies and Admissions Committee to the agenda. Mr. Munski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the proposal was added to the agenda.

9.

The Curriculum Committee report was presented. Mr. Stofferahn moved to approve the report. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion and the report was approved unanimously.

10.

Ms. Flower presented the election results for Senate committees for 2011-2012. She indicated that there is one correction, to drop one engineering faculty from the Curriculum Committee. Marcellin Zahui was elected to the Committee. Ms. Flower moved approval of the ballot. Mr. Gerber seconded the motion. The election results were approved with a unanimous vote.

11.

Mr. Stofferahn presented a proposed change to the Senate Bylaws for a second reading. He called attention to the additional language to address the concern presented at the previous meeting. Mr. Murphy moved approval. Ms. Rakow seconded the motion. The Bylaw change was approved with a vote of 43 for and 2 abstentions.

12.

Mr. Munski requested that Mr. Zahui, chair of the Academic Policies and Admissions Committee, be recognized to speak. Mr. Stofferahn seconded the request. The vote was taken and Mr. Zahui was recognized.

13.

Mr. Zahui first explained the change requested regarding the Student Load policy and asked for questions. After discussion, he explained the revision to the Grade Change policy. There was discussion on the Grade Change policy and Ms. Flower suggested clarifying wording by adding “for that degree.” The two policy recommendations were split and Mr. Munski moved approval of the Student Load policy change. There was a second from Ms. Rakow. The Student Load policy was approved unanimously. The Senate then moved to the Grade Change policy.

14.

Mr. Murphy indicated that quorum was lost.

15.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.
Suzanne Anderson, Secretary to the Senate