

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting - Revised
April 5, 2012

1.

The April meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, April 5, 2012 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Curt Stofferahn presided.

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The following members of the Senate were present:

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| Anderson, Ernest | Harsell, Dana | Pederson, Randy |
| Anderson, Suzanne | Haskins, Jim | Petros, Thomas |
| Antonova, Slavka | Hillebrand, Diane | Poochigian, Donald |
| Baker, Mary | Jackson, Jon | Rakow, Lana |
| Bass, Gail | Jehlicka, Brenden | Ray, Linda |
| Beck, Pamela | Jeno, Sue | Reissig, Bradley |
| Berger, Albert | Kallio, Brenda | Rice, Daniel |
| Bradley, April | Keengwe, Jared | Safratowich, Michael |
| Brekke, Alice | Kelley, Robert | Schwartz, Rhonda |
| Bridewell, John | Khavanin, Mohammad | Seddoh, Amebu |
| Casler, James | Koepke-Nelson, Yvette | Smart, Kathy |
| Cherry, Emily | Laguetta, Soizik | Smith, Bruce |
| Christian, Stephanie | McGinniss, Mike | Stofferahn, Curt |
| Drechsel, Paul | Mikulak, Marcia | Stolt, Wilbur |
| Drewes, Mary | Mitzell, John | Swartz, Kristi |
| Dunlevy, Jane | Mochoruk, James | Swisher, Wayne |
| Fletcher, Logan | Moen, Joseph | Tiemann, Kathleen |
| Gapp, Jacob | Mosher, Sarah | Walker, Anne |
| Gerbert, Shane | Munski, Doug | Watne, Eric |
| Gorney, Kjiesta | Murphy, Eric | |
| Halgren, Cara | Onchwari, Grace | |

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

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| Badahdah, Abdallah | Kenville, Kimberly | Riedy, Joshua |
| Bahl, Landon | Kitzes, Adam | Robison, Lori |
| Bibel, George | Korniewicz, Denise | Shafer, Richard |
| Doze, Van | Langstraat, Jeffrey | Suleiman, Nabil |
| Elbert, Dennis | LeBel, Paul | Tompkins, John |
| Elness, Nathan | Oncel, Nuri | Volkov, Boris |
| El-Rewini, Hesham | Oommen, Abraham | Wynne, Joshua |
| Emmons, Kristin | Oversen, Kylie | Wynne, Lucas |
| Evanson, Tracy | Rand, Kathryn | Young, Patricia |
| Johnson, Phyllis | Reesor, Lori | |

4.

Mr. Stofferahn made several announcements:

- a. The Exceptional UND showcase will be held on April 30 on the second floor of the Memorial Union from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- b. University Council will not meet on April 30 and will be at a later date.
- c. Mr. Bridewell and Mr. Stofferahn met with Alice Clark program participants regarding shared governance at UND. They also met with the director of the program to discuss recruiting and mentoring the next generation of faculty leaders.
- d. Mr. Stofferahn and Mr. Mochoruk met with the President and Provost about ways to improve shared governance at UND. A proposal to establish

an ad-hoc committee on shared governance will be on the May Senate agenda.

- e. Mr. Murphy has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the Scientific Misconduct/Conflict of Interest Committee.
- f. A resolution to support establishment of an ombuds office will be on the May Senate agenda. Both Staff Senate and Student Government have approved such a resolution.
- g. The new student body leadership was introduced. The new Student Body President is Logan Fletcher and the Student Body Vice President is Eric Watne.
- h. There was a request for a moment of silence to remember Blake Ayling, the UND student who passed away on March 24.

Ms. Brekke announced that there will be a new initiative beginning in the next week or so. All NDUS institutions are required to have a physical development master plan. The due date for the plan is March, 2014. Ms. Brekke will begin a campus master planning process. In the past, the planning has had a narrow focus and not broad campus involvement. The new process will be broad and include such items as green space, parking, traffic, infrastructure, etc. There will be a steering committee with representation from each division, faculty, students, and staff from Operations and Finance. There will be transparency and broad communication. Ms. Brekke encouraged participation, indicating that there will be work groups as an option for participation. She indicated that this was just for information and there will be more to come.

Mr. Stolt invited the senators and their constituents to the 21st Annual Robinson Lecture. The lecture will be on Wednesday, April 11 at 1:00 p.m. The featured speaker is Jay Jordan, CEO of OCLC, the largest library cooperative.

Mr. Stolt also invited the senators to an exhibit the library is hosting commemorating the 100th anniversary of the race to the South Pole.

5.

Mr. Stofferahn called attention to the minutes of the March 1, 2012 meeting. He asked if there were any corrections; hearing none, the minutes were approved as distributed.

6.

The question period was opened at 4:13 p.m.

Mr. Mochoruk asked about the past ROTC maneuvers where people had not seen any advance notifications. He wondered if someone had called this oversight to the attention of administration. Mr. Stofferahn indicated that he had spoken to administration. Ms. Brekke indicated that, due to new staff, no notice was provided, but steps have been taken to prevent that in the future.

Mr. Berger indicated that ROTC maneuvers have taken place in the past but they were held in a more remote location. He indicated that there were notifications in the past.

The question period closed at 4:16 p.m.

7.

Mr. Stofferahn asked if there were any additions to the business agenda. Mr. Murphy requested to add a resolution from the Student Wellness Committee. There were no objections and the item was added.

8.

The annual report of the Senate Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct Committee was presented. Mr. Mochoruk moved approval. It was seconded by Mr. Poochigian. The report was approved and filed.

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Ms. McBride requested deletion of the Scientific Misconduct policy from the business agenda and that request was accepted.

10.

The Curriculum Committee report was presented. Mr. Drechsel, Curriculum Committee representative, was available to answer questions. There were none. Mr. Gerbert moved to approve the report. There was a second from Ms. Smart and the report was approved unanimously.

11.

The Nominations for Senate Committees ballot was presented. The Senate election process was led by Mr. Munski. He called upon Ms. Ray to assist. They explained the voting process. Time was allotted to vote and sign the ballot.

12.

Proposed changes to the Conflict of Interest Policy were presented by Ms. McBride, chair of the Committee. She first recognized the hard work of the Committee members. She indicated special thanks to Brad Meyers for his work on the several drafts of the policy. She explained that in March of 2010, the Senate approved the Conflict of Interest Policy. In September of 2011, new federal regulations were released. The document incorporating all the changes was previously circulated via the Senate listserv. Ms. McBride pointed out the substantive changes at the meeting. She indicated that one of the changes included a mandate to insure documentation that there is education of faculty regarding conflict of interest. In section 4.5.1, disclosure of significant financial interest, the minimum level was reduced to \$5,000. There is an additional section on intellectual property and new rules for disclosure of payment for some travel. Ms. McBride pointed out improvement of the forms for reporting. She then invited questions. Barry Milavitz was recognized for a clarification on the \$5,000 reporting requirement. Discussion ensued. Mr. Murphy moved adoption of the policy, which was seconded by Mr. Gerbert. The policy was approved with a vote of 56 for and 1 abstention.

13.

A draft University Senate attendance policy was presented by Mr. Stofferahn as an amendment to the Senate Bylaws. He explained the proposed attendance policy, in which the Senate vice chair will approve absences. He indicated that this is a first reading. Discussion ensued. Mr. Stofferahn stated that he would take the suggestions and discussion under advisement and back to SEC for possible amendments.

14.

Changes to the Special Review Committee charge were presented. Mr. Stofferahn indicated that the changes were a result of the current charge, which is not workable and not being followed. The first significant change would be rotating three-year terms for ten members, and the second is implementing training only as needed. Discussion ensued. Approval was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Poochigian. The motion passed with a vote of 51 for, 2 against, and 1 abstention.

15.

Mr. Murphy presented a resolution from the Student Wellness Committee, explaining that he is the Committee's faculty advisor. He reported that students lack green space for outdoor recreational activities and that finding green space is difficult. The Committee is recommending that the remaining Bronson property be designated for outdoor recreational space. The resolution is also being proposed to the Student and Staff Senates. Approval of the resolution was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Jackson. Discussion ensued. Ms. Brekke commented that in the past the campus master planning was in silos where entities are/were claiming space. She indicated that there is a need for a holistic approach. She stated that her announcement was meant to explain the need for the process and meeting the various needs. Ms. Brekke reported that this resolution would go into the campus planning process. There was a recommendation that perhaps student feedback would be helpful. The vote was taken and the resolution was approved with a vote of 34 for, 15 against, and 3 abstentions.

16.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Suzanne Anderson, Secretary
University Senate