

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
December 6, 2012

1.

The December meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, December 6, 2012 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Jim Mochoruk presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Ames, Forrest	Goodwin, Janice	Ozaki, Casey
Anderson, Suzanne	Halgren, Cara	Petros, Thomas
Andersson, Julie A.	Harsell, Dana	Poochigian, Donald
Bass, Gail	Heitkamp, Thomasine	Ray, Linda
Bateman, Connie	Hillebrand, Diane	Reesor, Lori
Beck, Pamela	Jonientz, Joel	Shanta, Linda
Berg, Kate	Kelley, Robert	Stofferahn, Curt
Caraher, Bill	Kitzes, Adam	Stolt, Wilbur
Casler, James	Koepke-Nelson, Yvette	Stone, Jan
Cherry, Emily	Kurtz, Sharley	Sturges, Denyse
Combs, Barbara	LeBel, Paul	Sum, Paul
Dewar, Graeme	Liang, Lewis	Towne, Gary
Doze, Van	Luber, Patrick	Vetter, Jennifer
Drewes, Mary	McBride, Rosanne	Walker, Anne
Eckmann, Lindsey	McHenry, Laurie	Wang, Enru
Ernst, Julia	Mikulak, Marcia	Watne, Eric
Fletcher, Logan	Mochoruk, James	Worley, Paul
Gapp, Jacob	Mosher, Sarah	Zerr, Ryan
Gerbert, Shane	Murphy, Eric	

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Adams, Darla	Hommerding, Aaron	Rand, Kathryn
Brekke, Alice	Johnson, Phyllis	Schlosser, Isaac
Bridewell, John	Keengwe, Sagini	Schultz, Kasey
Caine, Dennis	Korniewicz, Denise	Smith, Bruce
Dunlevy, Jane	Korom, Scott	Sun, Jeffrey
Elbert, Dennis	Malott, Daniel	Swisher, Wayne
El-Rewini, Hesham	Mitzell, John	Tiemann, Kathleen
Evanson, Tracy	Morrison, Steven	Walton, Susan
Fazel-Rezai, Reza	Nelson, Christopher	Wynne, Joshua
Gorney, Kjesta	Noghanian, Sima	Young, Patricia
Holland, Dixie	Oommen, Abraham	

4.

The following announcements were made:

- a. Mr. Mochoruk announced that there will be no January Senate meeting.
- b. The Ombuds Committee has nearly completed the job description and materials to advertise the position. The goal is have the Ombuds position advertised in January.

- c. Mr. Mochoruk requested permission of the Senate to add the Faculty Handbook Committee membership ballot to the business calendar. Approval was moved by Mr. Gerbert and seconded by Mr. Stofferahn. The motion was approved with a vote of 45 for and 2 abstentions.
- d. A guide to the 612 procedure has been developed. Mr. Mochoruk indicated that he will send it to Senate listserv. He requested feedback be sent to him on an appropriate web location to post the guide.
- e. Mr. Murphy shared that in November UND had an intermural wrestling event. It was very successful. The athletes and all involved found the event positive. As a result, a wrestling club is being formed. This club will be one of the National Collegiate Wrestling Teams. There will be competition by conference and there are nine conferences in the country. Mr. Murphy welcomed support and asked that the information be shared with students and others.

5.

Mr. Mochoruk called attention to the minutes of the November 1, 2012 meeting. He asked if there were any corrections. Hearing none, Mr. Stofferahn moved approval of the minutes and Mr. Zerr seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as distributed.

6.

The question period opened at 4:12 p.m.

- a. Mr. Poochigian asked for an explanation of Governor Dalrymple's new funding model based on course completion, which was included in his recent speech. President Kelley spoke to the question. He first gave some background indicating that the governor set up a task force to study cost-based funding. Additionally, the legislature was studying a performance based model. Recently the governor's model was shared where completed credits with "D" or better will be used to determine funding. The legislature will also put forth some kind of performance model. Mr. Kelley said he believes there will be some hybrid model. We must stay tuned and see how the conversations occur. Mr. Kelley spoke to the concern regarding grade inflation. He indicated that he does not want grade inflation but faculty must follow their academic principles.
- b. Mr. Petros asked President Kelley about the status of Chancellor Shirvani's "Pathways to Success" proposal, especially the impact to UND financially. The President indicated there are two pieces that are being carried forward at this time. The admission weighted index for automatic admission has been approved by the State Board of Higher Education and the automatic admission score for UND is 210. He explained how the index is computed. This new requirement will begin in 2014 and will be fully implemented in 2015. The intent is to hold institutions financially harmless. The second piece, tuition and fee structure, has not been finalized. Mr. Petros asked how many slots below 210 will permit discretion. President Kelley said that, at some future date, there will be 5% for those below a minimum baseline number but that a minimum admission index number has not been established. Mr. Murphy asked if the 5% is reserved for specific populations. Mr. LeBel indicated that, at this point, the 5% does not have any populations named. Mr. LeBel reported that there is also a limit of 5% admissions for those who need remedial educations. There is also a 5% having to do with waiver limit.
- c. Mr. Petros asked about the discretion UND will have regarding remedial instruction. Mr. LeBel spoke to the question. He indicated that came from a study and initiative regarding college readiness for high school students. The NDUS policy 402.1.2 requiring minimum ACT score for math and English was adopted as a result. He stated that UND resisted that policy, especially for

English, but UND was unable to avoid the policy. The Chancellor has decided that research universities cannot teach remedial classes, the two-year colleges must, but it will be on the college campus. Only 5% of the students admitted to UND can require remediation. This is problematic and is being worked out.

- d. President Kelley thanked the senators for their hard work leading up to the legislative session. He called attention to the recommendations for the Medical School building which supported funding of the second option, the Law School building, private matching fund recommendations and other matters indicating that the institution is moving into the legislative session in a strong position.

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

7.

Ms. Goodwin presented the Curriculum Committee report for November and moved for approval. There was a second by Mr. Luber and the motion was approved unanimously.

8.

Mr. Mochoruk called attention to the candidates for degrees for December 2012. Mr. Zerr moved approval of the candidates. Mr. Fletcher seconded the motion and the December 2012 candidates for degree were approved unanimously.

9.

The Intellectual Property Committee members submitted a recommendation to add one voting student member to the Committee membership. Mr. Murphy, representing the Committee, indicated that in addition, the Committee decided it was appropriate to update the membership further. They recommended adding the EERC Director or designee as a voting member. The Vice President for Research or designee and the Director of Libraries or designee were recommended to be changed to voting members, and the General Counsel was added as a non-voting, advisory member. It was recommended that the student member be elected in April and assume duties starting in May. There would be nine voting members, but an increase of only three actual members. Ms. Mikulak asked about the student member having a two-year term. The matter was suggested to the student senators. Mr. Watne described how the student committee members are established. The matter was left to possible reappointment rather than a stated two-year term. The question was raised about a possible staff member. The reasoning for the recommended change was explained. It was decided that the Intellectual Property Committee will consider the matter and submit any changes deemed appropriate. Approval of the Committee membership changes was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Zerr. Mr. Logan asked for a friendly amendment regarding the selection to indicate "appointed by the Student Body President" since that is the manner in which student committee members are selected. He further recommended no time frame for the appointment. Mr. Murphy explained why the time frame was recommended but accepted the friendly amendment. The change to the Intellectual Property Committee membership and selection was approved unanimously.

10.

The Senate Faculty Handbook Committee ballot was shared by Mr. Mochoruk. He described the rotating terms and that the additional members beyond the ballot are all ex-officio members. He also explained why the specific people were recommended. Mr. Murphy asked if the Committee on Committees had reviewed the members and Ms. Ray indicated that it had not. Mr. Murphy asked about the

possibility of post-doc fellows being represented. Mr. Stofferahn suggested that the Committee discuss the possibility of adding post-doc fellows and other group representatives as well. Ms. Mikulak nominated herself for the one-year term. The vote was taken and the senators completed and submitted their ballots. Paul Sum, Kim Kenville, Sarah Mosher and Tim Prescott were elected to the Senate Faculty Handbook Committee.

11.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Suzanne Anderson
Secretary to the Senate