1.
The February meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, February 6, 2014 in Room 113, Education. Chair Ryan Zerr presided.

2.
The following members of the Senate were present:

Anderson, Ernest   Anderson, Suzanne   Antonova, Slavka
Barkdull, Carenlee  Brekke, Alice     Casler, James
Cherry, Emily      Combs, Barbara    Creamer, Nick
De Long, Loretta   Dewar, Graeme     DiLorenzo, Thomas
Doze, Van          Elbert, Dennis    El-Rewini, Hesham
Fazel-Rezai, Reza  Gedafa, Daba      Geiger, Jonathan
Gjellstad, Melissa Hanson, Lexi    Harsell, Dana

Hill, Robert      Hillebrand, Diane  Hume, Wendelin
Jackson, Jon      Johnsen, Phyllis   Kalka, Joseph
Keeley, Kim       Kelley, Robert     Khavanin, Mohammad
Kuntz, Susan      Kurtz, Shirley    Laguette, Soizik
Lemire, Steve     Marasinghe, Kanisha Masko, Meganne
Maury, Debra      McGinniss, Michael McHenry, Laurie
Munski, Doug      Noghanian, Sima   Oberghian, Alan

Poochigian, Donald Ray, Linda  Reesor, Lori
Reissig, Brad     Rice, Dan       Shafer, Richard
Smart, Kathy      Smith, Bruce     Stolt, Wilbur
Stone, Jan        Sturges, Denyse  Suleiman, Nabil
Swisher, Wayne    Thorson, Kyle    Towne, Gary
Walker, Anne      Urlacher, Brian  Young, Tim
Zerr, Ryan

3.
The following members of the Senate were absent:

Allmer, Alison    Baker, Mary      Berg, Kate
Berk, Mary        Beyer, Molly     Campbell, Katherine
Dennis, Steven    Ernst, Julia     Halgren, Cara
Hoffert, Rachel   Jeno, Sue       Keengwe, Jared
Johnson, Brett    Johnson, Shaina  Lawrence, Shaina
Lien, Ross       Linnell, John    Light, Steven
Mikulak, Marcia  Mitzell, John    Mikus, Thomas
Porter, Kim      Rami, Manish     Rami, Manish
Rand, Kathryn    Schultz, Kasey   Storrs, Debbie
Sum, Paul        Walton, Susan    Weber, Brett
Worley, Paul     Wynne, Joshua

4.
The following announcements were made:

a. Mr. Zerr called on Provost DiLorenzo to present on the Program and Services Prioritization initiative. Mr. DiLorenzo first explained that he chose to come to UND due to collaborative governance and good relationships between faculty and administration. At the same time, there
are changes in higher education across the country. The intent is to be vigilant about the future. This initiative is to discuss budgeting and prioritization. Generally, no one is satisfied with the historical budget model. There has been investigation into other models with the plan to create a transparent budget model; additionally, the process to create this model will be used to help make decisions for the future. The decision-making process is not within the actual budgeting tool. UND has hired a consultant, Larry Goldstein, to help with this process. He will be on campus next week and many have signed up for his sessions. No one above the position of chair will be involved. This process will look at the whole University, not just the academic side. Mr. DiLorenzo indicated that there are no cuts planned. He said we are looking at a proactive approach to where we want to be in the next five to ten years. Mr. DiLorenzo responded to questions.

b. Carrie Herrick, U2 coordinator, spoke about the new U2. She is looking for ways for U2 to support and collaborate with the academic side. They are changing their curriculum to a skills-based approach. The Career Advancement Program (CAP) will be specific to job categories and certifications. They have partnered with departments for new programs in leadership development, mentoring, service excellence training and compliance. She indicated that it will take some time to implement all the changes she shared, along with additional initiatives in the planning.

c. Mr. Zerr reported that the work of the Shared Governance and Leadership Interest Group continues. There was a joint meeting of the reading group. Out of this there is expected to be a recommendation for a new Senate Committee. There may be funding for travel grants for the new committee as well.

d. Mr. Zerr stated that the online process will be used for the upcoming elections for University Council.

e. Mr. Zerr reported that tenure and promotion process input is being sought. SEC has had discussion on this along with the Shared Governance group. SEC decided to reach out to tenure and promotion committees in the colleges. The results will be compiled and reviewed for possible action by SEC.

f. Mr. Zerr indicated that there will soon be a survey related to the Ombuds Office and position. He stressed that participation is very important.

g. Mr. Zerr reported that the changes to the Intellectual Property Committee, Committee on Committees, Senate Executive Committee, Legislative Affairs Committee, and Honors Committee that were passed at the November and December Senate meetings have been approved by the President.

5.

Mr. Zerr called attention to the minutes of the December 5, 2013 meeting. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. There was a motion of approval by Mr. Munski and a second by Mr. Oberg. The minutes were approved as distributed.

6.

The question period was opened at 4:37 p.m. There were no questions.

7.

Mr. Zerr called attention to the annual reports from the Academic Policies and Admissions Committee and the Senate Summer Sessions Committee. Mr. Dewar moved to accept and file the two annual reports. There was a second by Mr. Stolt, and the motion was approved.
8.
The Curriculum Committee report was presented. There was a motion to approve by Mr. Munski and a second by Mr. Kalka. The motion was approved unanimously.

9.
Mr. Jackson was called on to represent the Honorary Degrees Committee. Mr. Zerr first shared NDUS policy 430.1.4 which requires that the information presented is to be kept confidential. Mr. Jackson presented the requirements to award an honorary degree. He presented the four candidates. Mr. Munski moved approval of candidate one. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stolt, and candidate one was approved unanimously. Mr. Poochigian moved approval of candidate two, Ms. Stone seconded the motion and candidate two was approved unanimously. Mr. Munski moved approval of candidate three, Ms. Smart seconded the motion and candidate three was approved unanimously. Ms. Smart moved approval of candidate four, Mr. Creamer seconded the motion and candidate four was approved unanimously.

10.
The recommendations from the Academic Cabinet for the Faculty Handbook which were tabled at the last Senate meeting were reviewed. The motion at the last meeting was to approve. One change is to remove the Dean of Graduate Studies from the process. The second is adding item II.8.2.p, which addressed alternatives for where an assistant professor who must achieve promotion and tenure at the same time does not. There was no further discussion and the vote was taken. The motion was approved with a vote of 51 for and 2 abstentions.

11.
Mr. Zerr presented the change to the UND Constitution, Section ii.1.b, regarding membership in University Council that was approved at the last meeting. This matter requires a vote at two meetings. Mr. Poochigian moved approval and Mr. Munski seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion was approved with a vote of 50 for, 1 against, and 1 abstention.

12.
The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Suzanne Anderson
Secretary to the Senate