

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
November 7, 2013

1.

The November meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, November 7, 2013 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Chair Ryan Zerr presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Allmer, Alison	Jackson, Jon	Rakow, Lana
Anderson, Ernest	Jeno, Sue	Rami, Manish
Anderson, Suzanne	Johnson, Brett	Ray, Linda
Baker, Mary	Kalka, Joseph	Reesor, Lori
Barkdull, Carenlee	Keeley, Kim	Reissig, Brad
Brekke, Alice	Keengwe, Jared	Rice, Dan
Burke, Molly	Kelley, Robert	Schultz, Kasey
Cherry, Emily	Khavanin, Mohammad	Smart, Kathy
Combs, Barbara	Kuntz, Susan	Smith, Bruce
Creamer, Nick	Kurtz, Sharley	Stolt, Wilbur
De Long, Loretta	Lawrence, Shaina	Stone, Jan
Dennis, Steven	Lemire, Steve	Sturges, Denyse
Dewar, Graeme	Lien, Ross	Suleiman, Nabil
DiLorenzo, Thomas	Marasinghe, Kanishka	Sum, Paul
Doze, Van	Mauray, Debra	Swisher, Wayne
Fazel-Rezai, Reza	McGinniss, Michael	Thorson, Kyle
Gedafa, Daba	McHenry, Laurie	Walker, Anne
Halgren, Cara	Mitzell, John	Walton, Susan
Hanson, Lexi	Munski, Doug	Young, Tim
Harsell, Dana	Noghanian, Sima	Zerr, Ryan
Hoffert, Rachel	Oberg, Alan	
Hume, Wendelin	Porter, Kim	

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Antonova, Slavka	Hill, Robert	Rand, Kathryn
Berg, Kate	Hillebrand, Diane	Shafer, Richard
Campbell, Katherine	Johnson, Phyllis	Storrs, Debbie
Casler, James	Laguetta, Soizik	Towne, Gary
Elbert, Dennis	Light, Steven	Urlacher, Brian
El-Rewini, Hesham	Masko, Meganne	Weber, Brett
Ernst, Julia	Mikulak, Marcia	Worley, Paul
Geiger, Jonathan	Petros, Thomas	Wynne, Joshua
Gjellstad, Melissa	Pooghigian, Donald	

4.

The following announcements were made:

- a. The Provost provided an update on campus initiatives. He first reported that the bridge behind Gustafson Hall will open in the next couple of weeks. The Collaborative Governance leadership seminars are going well. There are meetings taking place regarding research infrastructure. The Great Conversations concept is supported by the Provost and President. He indicated that he was present to welcome students from the Lunar Habitat and that it was a great event. The final touches are being made on the Advance grant. The campus is already gearing up for orientation and advisement for next summer. The Dashboards initiatives are ongoing. He indicated that there are now enough Dashboard licenses for the campus.

There is continuing work on the One-Stop Shop. There is discussion of a tuition deposit for new students that would be applied to tuition. There is investigation on common course scheduling proposals. Currently, the Provost is looking at the extent of the problem and there will be future discussions. He has asked the deans to work with chairs and faculty to look at promotion and tenure documents to make sure all essential elements are included.

- b. Mr. Zerr reported on the progress on the Shared Governance and Leadership group. He indicated that this is an ongoing group and he will continue to update the Senate on the progress.
- c. The Committee on Committees has made appointments for Senate committee vacancies. Greg Gordon has been appointed to the Scholarly Activities Committee. Brad Reissig has been appointed to the Conflict of Interest Committee. Collin Combs has been appointed to the Intellectual Property Committee.
- d. The University Council meeting will be held at 3:30 p.m. on November 19 in the Lecture Bowl at the Memorial Union.
- e. The University Senate meeting is moving to the new Education building starting with the December 5, 2013 meeting. It will be held in Room 113 and Mr. Zerr will email the Senate to confirm the location prior to the December meeting.

5.

Mr. Zerr called attention to the minutes of the October 5, 2013 meeting. He asked if there were any corrections or additions; hearing none, Mr. Munski moved approval of the minutes and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as distributed.

6.

The question period was opened at 4:19 p.m.

- 1. Ms. Hume asked if there is an organizational chart on the UND website including historical data. Mr. Sum indicated that there is one in the Faculty Handbook but the current chart is out-of-date. The review of the Handbook for updating and changes is going more slowly than hoped but it will be forthcoming. He further clarified that there is no historical information. Mr. Sum will have an approximate date when he will have the first Handbook updates ready after the Handbook meeting on Wednesday, November 13.
- 2. Mr. Rice asked about the status of the funding for the UND Writers Conference. It was reported that Dean Storrs has worked with finalizing the conference for this year. Perhaps a report from Dean Storrs could be provided at a future meeting. Mr. Zerr will check into the matter.
- 3. Mr. Sum asked the Provost for an update on the new budget model including when it would be operative. Provost DiLorenzo indicated that work with the Huron consulting committee continues. Ms. Gjellstad is representing faculty for this initiative. He hopes that in four weeks the information will begin to be available. The group is looking at several models and it will be six months before there is a decision on what, if anything, will be proposed.

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

7.

Mr. Zerr called attention to the annual reports from the Senate University Assessment Committee and the Senate Student Policies Committee. Ms. Rakow moved to accept and file the annual reports. There was a second by Ms. Smart and the motion was approved.

8.

The report from the Curriculum Committee was reviewed. There was one item on the report and it did not require Senate approval. Leslie Martin, chair of the Committee, announced that due to changes in the curriculum approval process, the Provost wanted more information presented to the campus; therefore, two training sessions have been scheduled: the first is on November 21 from 8:30-9:30 a.m. on learning outcomes; the second is on November 26 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. regarding budget. Both sessions are in the River Valley Room at the Union.

9.

Mr. Zerr presented the following proposed changes to the Senate Committee Manual: changes to the General Guidelines, a clean-up of the Senate Administrative Procedures Committee responsibilities, and a title change for the University Assessment Committee. He also indicated that the standard language regarding review of policies in regard to the legislative session will be removed from all committees. Mr. Jackson moved approval. There was a second by Mr. Munski. There was a question on removing the review of policies. Mr. Zerr indicated that it still can be done if the committee chooses or SEC recommends conducting a review. The changes were all approved unanimously.

10.

The recommended Intellectual Property Committee policy change was reviewed. The change was to 5.1.3.1 and 5.1.3.2 of the policy. Mr. Munski moved approval. There was a second by Mr. Stolt and the motion was approved unanimously.

11.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Suzanne Anderson
Secretary to the Senate