

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting  
April 3, 2014

1.

The April meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2014 in Room 113, Education. Chair Ryan Zerr presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Anderson, Ernest	Hume, Wendelin	Poochigian, Donald
Anderson, Suzanne	Jeno, Sue	Porter, Kim
Antonova, Slavka	Johnson, Brett	Rakow, Lana
Baker, Mary	Keeley, Kim	Rami, Manish
Brekke, Alice	Kelley, Robert	Ray, Linda
Casler, James	Khavanin, Mohammad	Reesor, Lori
Cherry, Emily	Kurtz, Sharley	Schultz, Kasey
Creamer, Nick	Laguette, Soizik	Shafer, Richard
Dewar, Graeme	Marasinghe, Kanishka	Smart, Kathy
DiLorenzo, Thomas	Masko, Meganne	Storrs, Debbie
Elbert, Dennis	Mauray, Debra	Sturges, Denyse
Ernst, Julia	McGinniss, Michael	Suleiman, Nabil
Fazel-Rezai, Reza	McHenry, Laurie	Thorson, Kyle
Gedafa, Daba	Munski, Doug	Towne, Gary
Gjellstad, Melissa	Noghanian, Sima	Urlacher, Brian
Hanson, Lexi	Oberg, Alan	Walton, Susan
Hillebrand, Diane	Petros, Thomas	Zerr, Ryan

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Barkdull, Carenlee	Jackson, Jon	Rice, Dan
Berg, Kate	Johnson, Phyllis	Smith, Bruce
Campbell, Katherine	Kalka, Joseph	Stolt, Wilbur
Combs, Barbara	Keengwe, Jared	Stone, Jan
De Long, Loretta	Kuntz, Susan	Sum, Paul
Dennis, Steven	Lawrence, Shaina	Swisher, Wayne
Doze, Van	Lemire, Steve	Walker, Anne
El-Rewini, Hesham	Light, Steven	Weber, Brett
Geiger, Jonathan	Mikulak, Marcia	Worley, Paul
Halgren, Cara	Mitzell, John	Wynne, Joshua
Harsell, Dana	Rand, Kathryn	Young, Tim
Hill, Robert	Reissig, Brad	

4.

The following announcements were made:

- a. Mr. Zerr called on three vice presidents to update the senators on the Pathways to Student Success. Mr. DiLorenzo, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, first described the status of various pieces of Pathways here at UND. Ms. Reesor, Vice President for Student Affairs, talked about the admissions formula for domestic freshmen. She indicated that UND has permission to continue with our current standards for the 2015 class. The current standard is a minimum 2.5 GPA and 21 ACT. Students who do not meet the standards are reviewed individually using the holistic approach. In developing the proposed standards for 2016, research shows that high school GPA is the best predictor of success and UND is working with NDSU to establish new standards for the research institutions, ideally based on

GPA. There is an Admissions Task Force which includes representatives from CCF, NDSA and the campuses. Currently, UND is considering two proposals: one based on GPA and looking at increasing core. There will be three tiers for the admissions standards. The timeline for the proposal is a review by AAC/SAC in May and to the State Board of Higher Education for its July retreat. Ms. Reesor mentioned that there will be a priority admissions deadline and an admission deposit for students in 2015. She also indicated that more will be known by May. Mr. DiLorenzo stated that we will use student success and continually adjust the admission criteria as data indicate. Mr. DiLorenzo spoke about remedial/developmental education. He reminded the senators that Pathways first indicated that all developmental education would happen at the community college, but the literature shows that developmental education is not effective. Now, there is a proposal where community college faculty will work with high schools and their teachers to prepare the students to be college ready; additionally, proposals from institutions were welcomed. Proposals were provided for English and Math. The English proposal was to place all students into English 110 regardless of ACT. The Math department proposal included continued use of the COMPASS exam, a five-day Math 103 class and continued offering of Math 102. The two proposals were based on department experience and data. The System approved the two proposals for this next year, 2014. Ms. Brekke, Vice President for Finance and Operations, spoke to a new tuition model. She indicated that UND has been preparing and discussing a new model for many years. A work group worked for several years studying changes and impact on UND. With Pathways, a new tuition model was part of the plan. UND and NDSU have been working on a common model. Discussion was beyond an identical rate structure for the two institutions to a common approach. SBHE wants to make an announcement on the new model in fall 2014 to be implemented in fall 2015. Discussion items for the new model include: per-credit tuition capped at 15 credits; blending into tuition the non-mandatory fees (course fees); on-campus versus online tuition rates - can we create a model where all credits are equal; how residency is considered with residency rate differentials and how we streamline program differential tuition for certain programs but no program fees. There is a framework that is now being reviewed at the system. The next step is to meet by tiers with the system office. As of now, there is nothing set. There is also consideration of undergraduate versus graduate tuitions and the tuition waivers but those conversations have not yet even started. Questions were taken.

- b. Mr. Zerr presented the Senate committee election results. The results will be included with the minutes.
- c. Mr. Zerr announced that SEC is re-forming the Ad Hoc Student Evaluation of Teaching Committee. The term of the earlier committee to review the USAT process expired.
- d. The Council of College Faculties statement on open resource materials was presented. Mr. Petros made a motion to place the matter on the business calendar. Mr. Munski seconded, and the motion was approved.
- e. The Intellectual Property Committee is providing input to NDUS regarding the NDUS IP policy 611.2
- f. The Spring University Council meeting is 3:00 p.m. April 30, in Education, Room 7.
- g. A CCF All-Faculty Conference is tentatively planned for October 2014. A survey will be distributed to all faculty requesting agenda topics and if there is interest in a conference. This is a planning survey to determine whether to move forward. The expectation is that it will be held in Grand Forks.

5.

Mr. Zerr called attention to the minutes of the March 6, 2014 meeting. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. There was a motion of approval by Mr. Munski. Mr. Gedafa seconded and the minutes were approved as distributed.

6.

The question period was opened at 5:05 p.m. There were no questions.

7.

Mr. Zerr called attention to the annual report from the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee. A motion was made by Ms. Smart to accept and file the reports. There was a second by Ms. Jenö and the motion was approved.

8.

The Curriculum Committee report was reviewed. There was a motion to approve the report by Mr. Petros and a second was made. Discussion ensued. Mr. DiLorenzo responded to a question that there are not currently criteria for establishing a school but that it would be good to develop. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

9.

Mr. Oberg made a motion to extend the meeting until 6:00 pm. Mr. Dewar seconded and the motion was approved.

10.

The Conflict of Interest Policy was reviewed. David Bradley, Chair of the Senate Intellectual Property Committee described the changes. David Schmidt, Assistant Vice President for Research and Economic Development, explained that the changes were federally mandated. There was a motion to approve by Mr. Munski and a second by Ms. Hillebrand. The motion was approved.

11.

The Council of College Faculties draft statement on open resources was presented with a request for endorsement. Mr. Munski moved approval of the statement as written. Ms. Smart seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. A vote was taken and the motion approved.

12.

The meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

Suzanne Anderson, Secretary to the Senate