

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
May 2, 2024

1.

The December meeting of the University Senate was held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 2, 2024, via Zoom Conference. University Senate Chair Sarah Robinson presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Anderson, Sonya	Hume, Wendelin	Munski, Douglas
Anvari-Clark, Jeffrey	Hunter, Cheryl	Nelson, Ella
Azizova, Zarrina	Iseminger, Colt	Newman, Robert
Bakke, Rebecca	Jendrysik, Mark	Novak, Michelle
Beltz, Michael	Johnson, Amber	Oancea, Cristina
Bichel, Rebecca	Keengwe, Grace	Pappas, Brian
Bjorg, Renae	Kehn, Andre	Pokornowski, Alex
Bjorggaard, Stacy	Kinney, Anna Marie	Reading, Patrick
Blankenship, Jonathan	Kraus, Robert	Robinson, Sarah
Bowman, Frank	Lawson-Body, Assion	Rundquist, Brad
Correll, Scott	Legerski, Elizabeth	Saga, Lea
Dahlke, Rachel	Lim, Yeo Howe	Sauer, Michelle
Dodge, Michael	Linder, Meloney	Shogren, Maridee
Doze, Van	Link, Eric	Singhal, Sandeep
Elderini, Tarek	Liu, Jun	Smart, Kathy
Emter, Adelyn	Malloy, Art	Sperle, James
Ferguson, Connor	Marquis, Jared	Swanson, Brenna
Gjellstad, Melissa	Maskaly, Jonathan	Urban, Shanna
Grave, Shannon	Masursky, Danielle	Wallace, Alfred
Grijalva, James	Mayo, Whitney	Wintermute, Kaleb
Homstad, Stephanie	Milavetz, Barry	Wozniak, Mike
Hove, Hannah	Moritz, Sandra	Zerr, Ryan

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Alberts, Crystal	Martin, Noelle	Seddoh, Amebu
Anderson, Brynn	Mongeon-Stewart, Karla	Snyder, Scott
Armacost, Andy	Mosher, Sarah	Tande, Brian
Cox, Paula	Nelson, Chris	Tatro, Lauren
Henley, Amy	Petros, Thomas	Traynor, Paul
Hoffmann, Mark	Price, Samantha	Wynne, Joshua
Hoppenrath, Joseph	Rajpathy, Odele	
Kempel, Sarah	Richter, Justin	

4.

Quorum was established.

5.

Without objection, the minutes from the University Senate on April 4, 2024, were approved.

6.

Ms. Robinson called attention to the Budget Committee annual report. Without objection, the report was filed.

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Ms. Robinson called attention to the Online & Distance Education Committee annual report. Without objection, the report was filed.

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Ms. Robinson called attention to the Essential Studies annual report. Without objection, the report was filed.

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Ms. Robinson called attention to the addition of committee membership for Essential Studies and Legislative Affairs. Without objection, the additions were filed.

10.

Ms. Robinson called attention to the updates to University Senate Bylaws. Without objection, the changes were filed.

11.

Ms. Robinson discussed the Misconduct in Scholarship Policy. Without objection, the policy was filed.

12.

Ms. Robinson called attention to the GUEST policy updates. Ms. Plumm detailed the changes. Ms. Smart moved to approve. Ms. Bjorg seconded the motion. A discussion ensued. The motion carried.

13.

Ms. Robinson called attention to the runoff election for Committee on Committee membership. Having garnered the most votes, Ms. Grabanski is the new member.

14.

Ms. Robinson called attention to the May graduation List. Ms. Gjellstad moved to approve. Mr. Jendrysik seconded. A short discussion ensued. The motion carried.

15.

Ms. Robinson called attention to the ES Program Review document attached to the meeting agenda.

16.

Mr. Goldblum provided an update from University Information Technology. He discussed summer 2024 projects coming from UIT. There will be a new UND email policy that will be implemented on or around August 1, 2024. There is currently an assessment about using a digital ID card versus the current physical ID card. UIT is looking to establish an IT governance structure to guide their work. Windows 11 will be deployed later this summer as Windows 10 has an end of support date. UND will begin patching on Mondays (Patch Monday).

17.

Mr. Harsell provided an update from the Ad Hoc SELFIE committee. The committee has focused on a few items. The committee will pause over the summer. The contract with Explorance Blue ends soon. They are looking at other platforms including Watermark.

18.

Ms. Robinson provided updates from the Council of College Faculties. There has not been a meeting since our last senate meeting, but they will be meeting next Tuesday.

19.

Mr. Wozniak provided a Staff Senate update. The Staff Recognition Luncheon is on May 7th. Anna Kinney is new president of Staff Senate. Natalie Talk is the next president-elect.

20.

Ms. Nelson updated everyone on Student Government. Connor Ferguson is the new student body president. Maya Orvis is the new vice president.

21.

Mr. Link provided an update on Provost Office activities. Mr. Link thanked everyone for all the hard work over the past year. Mr. Link discussed enrollment for the fall. Applications are up, admits are up, and deposits are up. FAFSA data has arrived from the federal government for financial aid awarding. All of our tenure applications were approved by the State Board of Higher Education. This year's budget process is still ongoing, but I want to give special thanks to the University Senate Budget committee. The HLC site visit went well. Thank you to everyone who worked on the HLC process. Mr. Link presented an award plaque to outgoing University Senate chair Sarah Robinson. The UND reported retention rate was the highest ever, and it was a NDUS system record.

22.

The twenty minute question and answer period began at 4:40 p.m. Ms. Gjellstad inquired about the internal and external reviewers for the ES program review. Ms. Plumm stated that there is currently a process to choose

and pick the review teams. Ms. Robinson inquired about the switch to Empower from TIAA. Mr. Link stated that Peggy Varberg would have the most up-to-date information. Ms. Varberg stated that this information was just received by her as well. This change is a change in administration of the back side of the plan, not the investment choices themselves. There are no changes to the plan, just who administers the plan. It is controlled by NDPERS, not UND or the university system. Mr. Elderini inquired about non-tenure track faculty in CEM. Mr. Link has asked Ms. Wages and Ms. Tanglen to reach out to Mr. Elderini. Mr. Maskaly asked about what constitutes a state device. Are personal cell phones subject to open record requests? Mr. Goldblum stated that most of the information viewed on your phone actually lives on university servers and cloud contracts. Mr. Grijalva stated that open records do not take your phone. One is requested to turn over work items to the university who turns over the requested information. Ms. Mayo asked about having building access on our personal devices. Is it secure? Mr. Goldblum thanked Ms. Mayo for the feedback and will get additional information. Ms. Oancea inquired about a device for access to the building without it being connected to our phone? Mr. Goldblum added this to the feedback form as well. Mr. Grijalva stated he has a key fob. Ms. Gjellstad asked about the Copilot AI part of the Microsoft Suite. Mr. Goldblum stated that Windows 11 will have the non-subscription version of Copilot. The question period ended at 5:00 p.m.

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The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Scott Correll, Secretary
University Senate