

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
March 18, 2014

Present: Basler, Bentivenga, Beyer, Chappy, Chybowski, Cowling, Garrison, Hoglund, Kostman, Loewenstein, McCann, Neal, Price, Robson, Roth, Saginak, Siemers, Simmons, Sipes

Absent: Liske, Petronicolos, Stojilovic

Excused: Bryan, Kyburg, Alexandrov

Administrative Representative: Provost Earns

Academic Staff Representative: Greg Wypiszynski

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: Graham Sparks

Guests: Laura Knaapen, David Barnhill, Petra Roter, Joseph LeMire

Minutes in Brief:

At the March 18, 2014 meeting of the Faculty Senate, Student Affairs Vice Chancellor Petra Roter and Police Chief Joe LeMire discussed the recent shooting incident in Reeve and answered a wide array of questions related to campus security. Academic Computing Director Laura Knaapen discussed the implementation of identity data security measures on campus computers. Environmental Studies Director David Barnhill presented a fossil fuel Divestiture Proposal that was endorsed by the Senate. Graham Sparks reported on the activities of OSA, Greg Wypiszynski gave a Senate of Academic Staff report, and President Neal reported on the recent meeting of the Provost's Staff. The Senate recommended the names of twenty-two faculty for the eleven positions on the Chancellor's Search & Screen Committee. Carmen Heider was appointed to the Institutional Review Board. The Senate approved the Bylaws changes of the History Department and the College of Letters & Science. Senator Loewenstein announced the results of the faculty senate primary election. President Neal announced that senate elections would be pushed back one week and that there may be the necessity for an additional senate meeting May 13.

President Neal called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

I. State of the University -

A. Reports

1. OSA (Sparks) – OSA resolutions at today's meeting include: (1) same sex marriage legalization, and (2) one related to United Council. They will also be voting on a request to move the Veteran's office from first floor of Dempsey to a location on second floor. Elections for OSA are currently running. A committee has been working with Laura Knaapen on establishing some new printing limits for students, (which will run this summer for the first trial test) Page limits would be 1,000 sheets per semester and 500 per summer.
2. SAS (Wypiszynski) – Senate of Academic Staff submitted their names to system for the Chancellor's search committee. Greg apologized for some confusion related to a recent email sent to all instructional staff that was intended only for instructional academic staff. They have since put in a request to have such a list serve created. Spring elections are being held for SAS March 31-April 11. The information survey that was recently done with academic staff to assess how they would like to be more informed, has led to more dissemination of the meeting notices, minutes and agendas. They are currently in the process of starting to look at redesigning their homepage.
3. PAS (Neal) – The meeting mostly pertained to search committee information, noting that the search committee for the AVC for Faculty and Academic staff have started to meet, and the search committee for the Director of USP will soon be under way.

- B. Data Security – Laura Knaapen – Laura gave the senate an update on an upcoming virus scan that Academic Computing will be running. The check will run similar to other current antivirus scans, but the first scan will be done as a light scan to be used as a baseline before determining how necessary additional, more comprehensive scans will need to be done. This scan is set to take place in April.
- C. Divestiture Proposal – David Barnhill – Dr. Barnhill highlighted a handout that was shared entitled ‘An Argument for Fossil Fuel Divestment’, and then answered various questions from Senators related to: reducing our carbon footprint.

MOTION: Moved to endorse with minor amendments by Bentivenga/Roth. 15 Yes, 1 no, 3 abstentions. PASSED

- D. Discussion of Security Incident in Reeve – Police Chief Joseph LeMire & Petra Roter - Both Dr. Roter and Chief LeMire informed the Senate of actions made, areas that needed improvement, and issues that are currently being worked on. They answered a variety of questions from senators and noted that new and revised protocols are also being created. The situation was handled for the most part, exceptionally well, with the main areas of improvement identified as communication timeframe and the increased need for risk management for late night events.

II. Minutes of March 4, 2014

MOTION: Moved approval of the March 4, 2014 minutes as amended by Hogle/Basler. Passed

III. Old Business – None

IV. New Business

A. COC –

- 1. Nominations to the Chancellor’s Search & Screen Committee – 22 faculty nominated of which 11 will be chosen by System.

MOTION: Move to approve the committee appointments by Hogle/Price. Passed

FS 1314-21 The Faculty Senate approved the following Committee Appointments: 22 faculty names to System as nominations to the Chancellors Search & Screen Committee: Jen Basler, Sharon Chappy, Scott Beyer, Dale Feinauer, Barbara Rau, Denise Robson, John Lemberger, Pete Brown, Larry Carlin, Christine Roth, Stephen Bentivenga, Kevin Crawford, Beatrice Holton, Jennifer Szydlik, Anna Filipova, Karl Loewenstein, Kim Rivers, David Siemers, Merlaine Angwall, Edwin Jager, Edward Martin, & Norliaha Crawford.

- 2. Institutional Review Board recommendation– Carmen Heider

MOTION: Move to approve the committee appointment by Siemers/Garrison. Passed.

FS 1314-22 The Faculty Senate approved the following Committee Appointment recommendation: Carmen Heider to the Institutional Review Board Committee.

B. Bylaws

- 1. History Bylaws

MOTION: Move to approve the History Bylaws by Hogle/Sipes. Passed

FS 1314-23 The Faculty Senate approved the History Bylaws.

2. College of Letters & Science Bylaws

MOTION: Move to approve the changes to elections procedures for standing committees in the College of Letter & Science Bylaws by Kostman/Robson. Passed

FS 1314-24 The Faculty Senate approved the changes to election procedures for standing committees in the College of Letter & Science Bylaws.

- V. Discussion Items
 - A. Senator Loewenstein announced the primary election results.
 - B. President Neal noted to senators that there may be a need for one last additional meeting on May 13th.
 - C. President Neal noted that there is a request to system for an extension to clean out D2 accounts.

- VI. Items from Members – None

- VII. Information Item –
 - A. USP Course – QIII – Interdisciplinary Studies 224 – Conflict & Memorial

Meeting adjourned by Bentivenga at 4:40 pm by .

Kay Neal,
President

April Dutschek,
Recorder