

Senate Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2024, 3 pm
Old Main 102 – President’s Conference Room

Present: Ann Fredrickson, Secretary; Mark Genkinger – HR; Kay Hopkins, Fred Hudson, Kristi Steinmann – Staff Senate; Erin Gillam, Jeremy Jackson – Faculty Senate; Austin Anderson, Sean Rotich – Student Government

Absent: Warren Christensen – Faculty Senate; Zoe McKinven – Student Government

Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes from August 30 and December 6, 2023 were approved as read.

Introduction of Guests: Alan Denton (350.1); Julie Nash (132 and 149)

Policies Discussed:

1.	350.1	Board Regulations on Academic Freedom and Tenure; Academic Appointments – Alan Denton – V1 5/12/2023. Responsible Office approved 8/28/2023. Legal approved 12/15/2023. Faculty Senate input for new business. Staff Senate consent agenda. Student Government input for new business.
2.	132	Developmental Leave – Julie Nash – V1 9/19/2023. Approved by Responsible Office 10/24/2023. Approved by Legal 12/15/2023. Faculty Senate consent agenda. Staff Senate input for new business. Student Government consent agenda.
3.	149	Leave Without Pay – Julie Nash – V1 09/189/2023. Approved by Responsible Office 10/24/2023. Approved by Legal 12/15/2023. Faculty Senate consent agenda. Staff Senate consent agenda. Student Government consent agenda.

Carryover:

1.	103	Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Policy on the Announcement of Position Openings – Alan Denton – V1 05/12/2023. Approved by Responsible Office 5/25/2023. Approved by Legal 8/16/2023. Faculty Senate input for new business. Staff Senate input for new business. Student Government consent agenda. Student Government approved V1 on 9/10/2023. Sent back to policy requester on 10/4/2023 with suggestions for change from Staff Senate. Received V2 on 12/13/2023. Sent to Responsible Office (HR and Provost) on 12/22/2023. HR approved V2 on 12/27/2023.
2.	152.2	Memberships in Professional Service Organizations – Gary Secor – V1 03/16/2023. Approved by Responsible Office 3/23/2023. Approved by Legal 08/16/2023. (Legal suggested Accounting office weigh in on this policy. Will get feedback from SCC.) It was agreed by SCC to get input from accounting and also to define the meaning of ‘discretionary’ funding. It was also noted that “staff” should be checked on the Cover Sheet under who the policy applies to. SCC Secretary will send to Lisa Ripplinger, Controller, for input. Once policy is received back, Faculty Senate consent agenda. Staff Senate input for new business. Student Government consent agenda. Staff Senate approved conditionally with edits on 9/6/2023. Lisa Ripplinger sent back to policy requester (Gary Secor) on 10/9/2023 with suggestions for change. Received V2 10/11/2023. Sent to Responsible Office 10/11/2023. Responsible Office approved 10/24/2023. Sent to Legal 10/24/2023. Legal approved 12/15/2023. Faculty Senate Consent. Staff Senate Input. Student Government Consent. Staff Senate approved on 1/3/2024.
3.	153	Smoke Free Facilities – Emily Hegg – V1 09/26/2022. Approved by Responsible Office 10/12/2022. Approved by Legal 12/19/2022. Faculty Senate consent agenda. Staff Senate input for new business. Student Government input for new business. Staff Senate requested clarification on impact on employees living in NDSU owned houses (research extension centers) on 2/1/2023. Student Government approved V1 on 1/29/2023. Faculty Senate approved V1 on 2/13/2023. Waiting to hear back from Emily Hegg on clarification requested by staff senate – as of 2/24/2023 still inquiring additional information/feedback from members of NDSU Extension. 4/10/2023 – Emily Hegg has edits almost complete and will send to SCC Secretary for resubmission. Received V2 on 5/9/2023. Responsible Office approved 5/11/2023. Sent to Legal 5/12/2023. Approved by Legal on 8/16/2023. Faculty Senate consent agenda. Staff Senate input for new business. Student Government input for new business. Student government approved V2 on 9/17/2023. Sent back to policy requester on 10/4/2023 with suggestions for

		change from Staff Senate. Received V3 10/11/2023. Sent to Responsible Office 10/11/2023. Responsible Office approved 10/24/2023. Sent to Legal 10/24/2023. Legal approved with edits on 12/15/2023. Sent back to requester 12/22/2023.
4.	322	*New policy request. Equitable Workload – Erin Gillam/Canan Bilen-Green – V2 6/9/2023. Approved by Responsible Office 6/20/2023. Approved by Legal 8/16/2023. Faculty Senate input for new business. Staff Senate consent agenda. Student Government consent agenda. Staff Senate approved 9/6/2023. Student Government approved 9/10/2023. Faculty Senate recommended an Ad Hoc committee be formed to work further on this policy at their 11/13/2023 meeting. Provost Office will wait until a new VP for Faculty Affairs is named, then Ad Hoc committee will be formed.
5.	325	Academic Freedom – Jeffrey Johnson – V1 12/02/21. Approved by Responsible Office 12/6/2021. Approved by Legal 12/17/2021. Fred Hudson will send Jeff some suggested changes to this policy to include staff. Faculty Senate input for new business for next meeting. Staff Senate information for consent. Student Government information for consent. Received V2 2/23/2022. Approved by Responsible Office 2/25/2022. Approved by Legal 3/10/2022. Faculty Senate approved 5/9/2022. Staff Senate did not vote on policy on 5/4/2022. Student Government approved. Staff Senate will discuss with Jeff Johnson. Received V3 on 7/18/2022. Approved by Responsible Office 8/15/2022. Sent V3 081622 to Legal on 8/16/2022. Approved by Legal 12/19/2022. Sent V3 to senates on 12/19/2022. Staff Senate Consent agenda. Student Government consent agenda. Faculty Senate input for new business. Staff Senate approved 1/4/2023. Faculty Senate approved 1/23/2023. Student Government approved 1/22/2023. Sent to Provost 1/24/2023. Approved by Provost 2/9/2023. Sent to President 2/10/2023. Emailed President’s office on 3/15/2023. Policy is still under review. Emailed President’s Office on 4/17/2023. Stephanie Wavers indicated policy is still under review. Sent back to Jeff Johnson on 5/11/2023 with suggestions from President. Received feedback from Jeff on 6/6/2023. Sent back to president 6/6/2023. Sent back to Jeff on 8/21/2023 with response from President. Received V4 on 9/12/2023 from Jeff with requested changes from President. Approved by Responsible Office 9/12/2023. Sent to Legal 9/12/2023. Legal has suggestions for change 12/15/2023. Sent back to requester 12/22/2023. Received V5 on 12/27/2023 with further edits from requester. Legal approved on 1/3/2024. Sent to Responsible Office 1/3/2024.
6.	331.1	Course Syllabus – Melissa Lamp and Anastasiya Andrianova – V1 02/17/2023. Responsible Office Approved 3/22/2023. Approved by Legal 3/29/2023. Faculty Senate input for new business. Staff Senate input for new business. Student Government input for new business. Student government approved 4/23/2023. Staff Senate approved 5/3/2023. Faculty Senate approved with changes 5/8/2023. Received V2 from requester 5/8/2023. Sent to Responsible Office 5/12/2023. Approved by Responsible Office 6/2/2023. Sent to Legal 6/2/2023. Approved by Legal 08/16/2023. Staff Senate input for new business. Student Government input for new business. Staff Senate approved 9/6/2023. Student government approved with revisions 9/17/2023. Sent back to requester on 9/19/2023. Received V3 9/19/2023. Sent to Responsible Office 9/19/2023. Responsible Office approved 10/24/2023. Sent to Legal 10/24/2023. Legal approved V3 12/15/2023. Staff Senate input for 1/3/2024 meeting. Faculty Senate Input 1/22/2024. Staff Senate approved on 1/3/2024 w/housekeeping change (update ‘faculty’ to ‘instructor’ throughout the policy.)
7.	361	Emeritus/Emerita Titles – Shafiqur Rahman on behalf of Faculty Affairs Committee – V1 4/15/2021. Approved by Responsible Office 4/29/2021. Approved by Legal 9/9/2021. Faculty Senate input for new business. Staff Senate input for new business. Student Government approved V1 on 11/7/2021. Staff Senate requested further clarification. Email sent to Jeff Johnson/Canan Bilen Green 11/8/2021. Emailed Staff Senate responses from Faculty Affairs Committee on 11/12/2021. Staff senate approved V1 with revisions 12/1/2021. Emailed policy requester 12/6/2021 with suggestions for change. Received V2 12/6/2021. Sent to Responsible Office 12/7/2021. Responsible Office made suggestions for change on 4/13/2022. Sent back to policy requester on 4/14/2022 with a memo from the Responsible Office with further explanation for the requested changes. Faculty Affairs committee agreed to the proposed changes - V3 on 4/29/2022. V3 04/29/22 sent to Legal on 5/3/2022. Approved by Legal on 8/4/2022. Staff Senate consent agenda. Student Government consent agenda. Staff Senate approved 10/5/2022. Student Government approved 10/9/2022. Faculty Senate input for new business for December 12 meeting. Faculty Senate approved with changes on 12/12/2022. Received V4 on 12/13/2022. Sent to Responsible Office 12/13/2022. Approved by Responsible Office 1/4/2023. Approved by legal 1/5/2023.

		Staff Senate consent agenda – 2/1/2023. Student Government consent agenda - 1/22/2023. Student Government approved 1/22/2023. Staff Senate consent agenda 4/11/2023. Staff senate approved 4/11/2023. Sent to Provost 4/24/2023. Approved by Provost 9/9/2023. Sent to President 9/12/2023.
8.	601	Rights and Responsibilities of Community: A Code of Student Conduct – Emily Frazier/Matt Diischer – V1 07/03/2023 - Interim policy requested. Approved by Responsible Office 7/11/2023. Approved by Legal 7/11/2023. Approved by President 7/13/2023. Policy manual updated with interim policy 7/14/2023. Faculty Senate consent agenda. Staff Senate consent agenda. Student Government input for new business. Student Government approved on 8/27/2023. Staff Senate approved 9/6/2023. Faculty Senate approved 12/11/2023. Provost approved 1/4/2024. President approved 1/4/2024. Policy manual updated 1/4/2024.

Policy Revisions Completed:

1.	601	Rights and Responsibilities of Community: A Code of Student Conduct – Emily Frazier/Matt Diischer: Policy manual updated 1/4/2024.
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Housekeeping Changes Completed – FYI Only:

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Discussion Items/Announcements:

- 1) The proposed edits to the Policy Change Cover Sheet/checklist that were proposed at the December 6, SCC meeting were accepted with no further changes. The committee adopted the Policy Change Cover Sheet/Checklist as the official document that will be sent out for completion for all policy change requests. The infographic proposed by the President’s Council on Campus Wellbeing (Mary Larson and Lisa Samuelson) was also adopted with the changes noted at the December 6, SCC meeting. A minor formatting edit was noted (font styles) and will be made. This information sheet will accompany the Policy Change Cover Sheet/Checklist.

Discussion followed on the checklist portion of the cover sheet and whether or not we should require comments if “yes” or “no” are checked. It was decided more clarifying instructions will be sent on how to complete the checklist thoroughly by the SCC Secretary to the policy requester.

- 2) The SCC Secretary noted the Senate Coordinating Council Process document needs updating. This is a process document, not an official policy, so changes can be made by the SCC committee and do not need to go through the policy process. Ann will make the proposed revisions and the document will be reviewed at the February 6, 2024, SCC meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Next Meeting:

February 6, 2024, 3 pm, President’s Conference Room