

University Senate Minutes

Fargo, ND 58105

North Dakota State University

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UNIVERSITY SENATE MINUTES

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The University Senate met at 3:30 p.m. in Room 338 of the Memorial Union at North Dakota State University with Dr. K. Slobin presiding and the following members present: D. Andersen, S. Anderson, K. Arnell, T. Barnhart, J. Brennan, A. Burnett, V. Burton, M. Butler, J. Chapman, R. Garvey, J. Hansen, M. Harvey, V. Hatlen, J. Hektner, B. Johnson, S. Kapaun, K. Kellogg, J. Leitch, J. Lessard, C. Logue, G. MacIntosh, G. Mahalingam, W. Martin, M. McCullagh, M. Nawrot, J. Norris, G. Nuechterlein, A. Olson, C. Peterson, R. Pieri, R. Rathge, P. Rokke, R. C. Schnell, P. Schwarz, I. Sehgal, R. Stammen, R. Sylvester, D. Wells, A. White, A. Wilhelm, M. Keller, J. Mathern, M. Murray, J. Peterson, A. Richter, A. Schwengler, and R. Weidemann.

Substitutes: J. Schultz for R. Anderson, J. Fricke for L. Bock, Thompson for Carena, R. Stammen for Clark Johnson, J. Boschee for R. Cunningham, D. Wells for O. Helweg, L. Cihacek for D. Hopkins, M. Jackson for K. Howatt, R. Harrold for P. Jensen, R. Goos for M Khan, D. Olson for D. Rider, G. Goreham for T. Riley, C. Logue for J. Schwarz.

Previous Minutes

The minutes for October 8th, 2001 were PASSED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

The minutes for November 19, 2001 were APPROVED with one addition: G. Mahalingam was present.

General Announcements

- Presiding Officer Slobin announced that Dr. Stephen T. O'Rourke (Pharmaceutical Sciences) has been appointed to the Special Review Committee.
- President Chapman announced that we are starting searches for 12 new faculty positions. All of the Doctoral programs we brought to the State Board are moving forward. Every project we've talked about will be moving forward. These projects cut across all disciplines on campus. In addition, students are choosing NDSU in record numbers. Our enrollment is up (record numbers) for Spring 2002, as well.
- Vice President Schnell announced two things. First, the State Board has adopted a new system for approving programs. This is essentially a two-stage process. Second, NDSU has received equity funding of just under \$1.5 million. Our goal for next fall is 10,700 students (up 200 from fall 2001).
- Parliamentarian T. Ambrosio made some remarks about Robert's Rules of Order (see [Attachment 1](#)).

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Committee Reports

1. Computer Planning and Goals:

Dave Wittrock explained the role CPG has been playing in the discussions regarding ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning Project). ERP will replace the administrative computer system for the state. The CPG committee met with Grant Crawford of the NDUS on 9/14/01. Since then, the group has been developing scenarios based on faculty input (about 60 responses to their email request for suggestions). These scenarios focus on what faculty would like to see the new system do. In mid-January, each of the vendors being considered (Oracle and PeopleSoft) will have an opportunity to demonstrate how their product meets the needs presented in the scenarios.

For the Consensus Scenarios showing faculty use of the students system:

<http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/cpg/reports/subreports/NDHigherEdConsensusScenarios.htm>

For the RFP for the ERP system:

<http://www.state.nd.us/itd/current/>

Senator Stammen asked when the new software will be fully implemented.

VP Schnell answered that G. Wallman is on the steering committee. Implementation and training will be what takes the longest. It could take two to five years. For example, the automated degree audit software we are trying to purchase (DARS) will take about five years to be fully implemented.

2. Academic Affairs:

Dr. Kenneth Magel (Chair of Academic Affairs) presented the curricular recommendations. See [Attachment 2](#). Slobin directed the assembly to vote first on page 1 of the attachment (Major Title Changes, New Courses, Course Deletions, and Changes in Course Prefix, Number, Title, and Credits). A correction was made as follows: "Department Name Changes" should read "Major Title Changes." A Motion was made to approve page 1 of the Academic Affairs recommendations (Stammen/Peterson). MOTION PASSED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

A motion was made to approve the Web Design minor (Burnett/Fricke). Much discussion followed.

A motion was made to refer the minor back to the Academic Affairs committee (Keller/Pieri). The vote to refer registered 23 in favor and 29 against. The motion to refer to committee failed.

Previous question was called (Schwengler/Weidemann). The motion passed.

Division of the assembly was called (Fricke).

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The main motion to approve the Web Design minor PASSED WITH A VOTE OF 36 for, 17 against, and 3 abstentions as follows:

- FOR: D. Andersen, K. Arnell, T. Barnhart, A Burnett, V. Burton, M. Carena, V. Clark Johnson, R. Garvey, J. Hektner, D. Hopkins, K. Howatt, P. Jensen, B. Johnson, S. Kapaun, M. Khan, C. Logue, G. Mahalingam, W. Martin, M. McCullagh, M. Nawrot, A. Olson, C. Peterson, R. Rathge, D. Rider, T. Riley, P. Rokke, R. Stammen, R. Sylvester, A. White, A. Wilhelm, L. Bock, R. Cunningham, J. Peterson, A. Richter, A. Schwengler, R. Weidemann.
- AGAINST: J. Brennan, M. Butler, J. Hansen, M. Harvey, V. Hatlen, O. Helweg, K. Kellogg, J. Leitch, G. MacIntosh, J. Norris, G. Nuechterlein, R. Pieri, P. Schwarz, D. Wells, R. Anderson, M. Keller, M. Murray.
- ABSTAINING: J. Chapman, R.C. Schnell, J. Mathern.

A motion was made (Goreham/Harrold) to approve the Food Safety program (B.S. with a major in Food Safety, Graduate Certificate in Food Protection, M.S. with a major in Food Safety, and Ph.D. with a major in Food Safety). Much discussion followed. The “food protection” title was given to the certificate program so as not to mislead the public about the nature of the certificate as different from the graduate degrees. A general comment was made about the decision of Academic Affairs to include in the agenda only the courses that are new (as opposed to including the entire packet of materials). Vice President Schnell commented that he and President Chapman abstain from voting for these programs in an effort to leave the curriculum decisions in the hands of the faculty. He added, however, that the administration will do whatever they can to get the needed funding for the programs the faculty approve. Hence, the aspirations of the Senate ought to go beyond our current budget.

Previous question was called (Barnhart/Wells) and PASSED.

The main motion to approve the Food Safety program as presented by the Academic Affairs committee PASSED WITH A VOICE VOTE.

A motion was made to approve the Ph.D. with a major in Natural Resources Management (Mathern/Wells). Discussion followed.

Previous question was called (Mathern/Goreham). Motion PASSED with ONE vote against.

The vote on the main motion PASSED with ONE vote against.

3. General Education

Larry Peterson (General Education Committee Chair) presented one new course to be added to the general education program: ECON 105 “Elements of Economics” to the Social and Behavioral Sciences Category and Global Perspectives.

A motion was made to approve the addition (Burnett/Harvey). There was no discussion. The motion PASSED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

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4. Teaching and Professional Service Committee

Tim Sellnow (Teaching and Professional Service Committee Chair) brought forward the following resolution:

Resolved: The Teaching and Professional Service Committee moves that the final report for the Peer Review of Teaching trial project be moved from the end of Spring Semester 2002 to shortly after the completion of Fall Semester 2003.

A motion was made to approve the resolution (Stammen/Brennan). The motion PASSED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

5. Council of College Faculty

Ann Burnett distributed a handout explaining a recent change in the SBHE policy governing presidential Search and Screening Procedures (see [attachment 3](#)) and presented the following resolution:

Resolved: that the University Senate of North Dakota State University respectfully requests that SBHE 601.1 be revisited and changed to insure voting representation of faculty, students, and other stakeholders on the selection committee for the leader of their institution.

A motion was made to approve the resolution (Burnett/Keller). There was no discussion. The motion PASSED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

1. Ad-Hoc Bylaws Committee

Presiding Officer Slobin presented for first reading a change to the University Senate Bylaws, Part IX, Section 15 (see [attachment 4](#)).

A motion was made to approve the first reading of the Bylaws change (Barnhart/Kapaun). One correction was suggested: Item 2 (“Computer” should be changed to “computing” in line with the committee name change). The motion PASSED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT. The second reading will take place at the January meeting and will require a 2/3 vote.

2. College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Resolution on the Library

Ann Burnett brought forward the following resolution for Senate consideration:

Resolved: It is the sense of the Senate that in the conception of a greater North Dakota State University, comprising the expansion and elevation of academic programs as well as the renewal of our land-grant mission to the people of North Dakota, we hold as central and essential the

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construction of a university library worthy of the name of a great land-grant university of the northern plains. We commend this resolution to the attention of leaders of the university and its development foundation, to members of the North Dakota Board of Higher Education and other state leaders, and to friends of North Dakota State University everywhere.

A motion was made to approve the resolution (Keller/Sylvester). The motion PASSED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deanna D. Sellnow, Ph.D.
Secretary