

UNIVERSITY SENATE MINUTES

January 14, 2002

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, K. Arnell, T. Barnhart, S. Bornsen, J. Brennan, A. Burnett, V. Burton, M. Butler, J. Chapman, E. Elias, R. Garvey, J. Hansen, M. Harvey, V. Hatlen, J. Hektner, D. Hopkins, K. Howatt, D. Jacobson, B. Johnson, S. Kapaun, K. Kapplinger, G. Kegode, M. Khan, J. Leitch, J. Lessard, G. MacIntosh, G. Mahalingam, W. Martin, M. McCullagh, M. Nawrot, J. Norris, G. Nuechterlein, A. Olson, C. Peterson, R. Pieri, R. Rathge, D. Rider, P. Rokke, R. C. Schnell, J. Schwarz, I. Sehgal, R. Stammen, D. Wells, A. White, J. Mathern, J. Peterson.

Substitutes: J. Wageman for J. Clark Johnson, R. Harrold for P. Jensen, F. Manthey for P. Schwarz, D. Haney for A. Wilhelm, L. Brisk for L. Bock, J. Fricke for R. Cunningham, B. Cosman for M. Keller, J. Grams for M. Murray, J. Alishouse for N. Nell, J. Schulz for A. Richter, B. Allmendinger for A. Schwangler.

Previous Minutes

The minutes for December 10th, 2001 were PASSED (Burnett/Garvey) WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

General Announcements

- Presiding Officer Slobin announced a procedural reminder. That is, senators should state their name before speaking to ensure accurate records.
- Presiding Officer Slobin announced that nine month faculty can now have their pay distributed over 12 months if they choose to do so. This is not mandatory, but an option. The process will begin August 1, 2002.
- President Chapman announced that all the projects we've talked about for this year are underway. He also discussed possible salary issues. Nothing is firm at this point, except that faculty and staff will get 2% from the legislature. The President also announced that a possible tuition waiver for spouses and dependents is underway. Finally, the President noted that Governor Hoeven's State of the State Address emphasizes NDSU's research and technology park.
- Vice President Schnell announced three things. First, the possible tuition waiver for spouses and dependents will probably come in the form of a scholarship program. B. Slanger (Institutional Research) has been asked conduct research to assist in making an informed decision. Second, in terms of salary decisions, NDSU is actually about a month ahead of last year in terms of determining raises. The plan is to inform employees of their salary recommendations before the end of the academic year. Third, the chancellor has put a hold on new Ph.D. programs until NDSU and UND come together and offer a plan for doctoral education in North Dakota. Our goal is to get to 36. The average number of doctoral programs in land grant schools is about 50. UND is opposed

to us offering a doctorate in Education, however, only 3 of the 58 land grant institutions don't offer a doctorate in Education. We don't want to be one of them.

Committee Reports

1. General Education:

Larry Peterson (Chair of General Education) made a motion to approve five year reviews of several general education courses ([attachment 1](#)). The motion was seconded by Senator Burnett and CARRIED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

2. Academic Affairs:

Dr. Kenneth Magel (Chair of Academic Affairs) announced that all new program proposals submitted to Academic Affairs from this point forward must be provided electronically as well as on paper. He then presented a report for doctoral programs in Education (see [attachment 2](#)), curricular recommendations (see [attachment 3](#)), and procedures for administering graduate certificates (see [attachment 4](#)).

A motion was made to approve the doctoral program in Education (Stammen/Barnhart). Discussion followed. Vice President Schnell made a motion to amend the proposal by deleting the second sentence of the second paragraph. The motion was seconded by Senator Mathern. No discussion. The motion to amend CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Senator Barnhart called the question. The MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote.

A motion was made to approve the curricular recommendations as presented in [attachment 3](#) (Mathern/J. Schwarz). Some discussion followed. The MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote.

A motion was made to approved the Graduate Certificate Program procedures as described in [attachment 4](#) (J. Schwarz/Fricke). Some discussion followed. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Policy Coordinating Committee

Senator Rider presented Policy 350.2 – SBHE regulations on Standing Committee on Faculty Rights ([attachment 5](#)) for information only. He also presented Policy 600 - Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 [FERPA] for information only (see [attachment 6](#)).

Senator Rider presented Policy 353 – Faculty Grievances for action (see [attachment 7](#)). On page 14, section 4.2: An additional sentence is to be inserted that reads: “The grievant shall put the basis for the grievance in writing if requested by any supervisor.” A motion was made to approve (Garvey/Burnett).

A motion was made to amend the document to include the sentence as stated above (Schulz/Cosmano). The motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Presiding Officer Slobin moved to accept the amended motion as the main motion as the intent is the same. There were no objections. The MOTION CARRIED.

4. Council of College Faculty

Senator Burnett announced that Professor Hatterman-Valenti from Plant Sciences will be joining the council next Fall.

Unfinished Business

- Presiding Officer Slobin initiated the second reading of the bylaw change presented at the December 10, 2001 meeting (see [attachment 8](#)). A motion was made to approve the bylaw change (Barnhard/Kapaun). There was no discussion. This motion requires a 2/3 vote. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Business

- Senator Barnhart asked if the Senate would hear anything from the motions carried forward last month to the SBHE. Senator Burnett responded that they did go forward, but the board doesn't meet until later this week. She will pass word along to Presiding Officer Slobin to put it on the listserv.
- Senator Barnhart shared a handout for information (see [attachment 9](#)). The handout shows what other area colleges and universities offer for spouse and dependent tuition assistance.
- Vice President Schnell announced that our enrollment is up 551 students from where we were last Spring at this time. He has let 13 new positions and is trying for 3-4 more.
- Pam Chabora announced that the Theatre Department is bringing noted playwright, Tony Kushner, to campus in April, 2002.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Secretary