I. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by President Gillam at 3:03 PM.

II. Attendance/Substitutions

- Absent: Bajwa, Dybing, Green, Jiang, D. Johnson, Li, S. Nelson, Wahl
- Absent (Substitution): Salajin (Overton), Liu (Zhong)

III. Adoption of Agenda

- Motion (Del Rio Mendoza/Hearne): Adopt the agenda. The motion carried by acclamation.

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes from February 11, 2019

- Motion (Haring/Hearne): Approve the previous meeting minutes with the date of the approved meeting minutes changed from December 10, 2018 to January 14, 2019. The motion carried by acclamation.

V. Announcements

a. Dean Bresciani, University President

- Legislative process largely on same path
- Any reduction in health coverage is no longer being discussed
- Cost of living increase of 2/3 is still being discussed and emphasized by the Board to be 4/4
- Ag Extension may get a slight increase; overall higher education will likely remain steady
- Bonding bill for 4 projects (2 NDSU, 1 VCSU, 1 DSU) - Senate passed unanimously; will probably not be unanimous in House
- Research funding bill did not do well in House (do not pass); opposite of Senate (pass)
  - Even if funding does not survive, concept will not be new in next session
- Challey Institute for Global Innovation and Growth - no information for Senate at this time, deferred to Dean Beaulier
- ND EPSCoR information is not yet available (have not heard much about this, government shutdown may have delayed)
- Firearm bill discussions occurred and qualifications for carrying in public place (school) will likely be similar to those of law enforcement officers
  - Not really an impact on NDSU
o Impact on NDSU would be a class 1 exemption, which would eliminate some of the restrictions on carry in public
  ■ Yet again, qualifications would likely be rigorous
o Legislators don't appear too receptive to these proposed changes (still in committee)
  ● VP of Research search - will be internal; Provost Grafton will address
  ● Gifts to university - how much influence is behind these? Gift agreements protect against this and make expectations clear to donor and recipient. Foundation is very attentive to this
  o Koch Foundation monies were discussed to denote that the Koch Foundation has no role in hiring or research directions of Challey Institute

b. Ken Grafton, Provost
  ● Agreement with Koch Foundation
    o Koch Foundation has agreements with 340+ institutions across the nation
    o They have a clear understanding of what academic institutions should expect from them, and vice versa
  ● VP for Research search - internal search due to limited budget
    o EPSCoR and potential research funding from state beckons a VP for Research
    o Waiting on one search committee member to accept or decline
      ■ How many applicants were there for interim VP for Research search?
        ● Three finalists, but not sure how many applicants there were (not interim Provost at the time)
      ■ Will the pool of candidates be large or small?
        ● The pool will likely be relatively small
      ■ What is the rationale for not opening it up to the public besides funding status?
  ● Merger of Career Center with Academic Advising Center
    o Rhonda Kitch to serve as interim director of combined center and return to her position on Jan 1, 2020

c. Erin Gillam, Faculty Senate President
  ● Free-speech bill (SB2020) - drastically modified to state that every campus would have a free-speech policy; passed Senate and moved to House
    o Talk is that authors of bill would like a return of some deleted language
    o Once through conference committee, then will need to see where it goes
    o Lisa Johnson from Systems Office will be testifying
  ● Faculty Senate President-Elect candidates needed

d. Molly Secor-Turner, Faculty Senate President-Elect
  ● No announcements, so Dean Boulier spoke in her place
    o Made history in the College of Business, over $30M in support
      ■ Largest investment in people in history
      ■ Challey Institute will focus on five core areas
Areas are tied to those deemed important in ND
Seed-funded positions for 5 yr (need to figure out funding thereafter)
20 graduate positions funded
- Exposure to international markets and how they pertain to ND will be an area of focus
  - Target is $50M
  - Discussions for search for interim director are ongoing (not sure if internal or external)
    - Long-term attracting talent here is a "really heavy lift"
  - Hope hires are not all in business
  - What are the donor’s influence on selecting a director? - They will not be involved

e. Amanda Booher, Staff Senate President
   - No announcements (not present)
f. Marisa Pacella, Student Body Vice President
   - No announcements (not present)
g. Marc Wallman, Vice President of Information and Technology
   - No announcements (not present)

VI. Consent Agenda
- Motion (Sassi/Hearne): Approve the consent agenda. The motion carried by acclamation.
  a. UCC Report (Attachment 1) and UCC Addendum (Attachment 2)
  b. UCC General Education Policy Update (Attachment 3)

VII. Unfinished Business
a. Edits to the Faculty Senate Bylaws (submitted by the ad hoc Faculty Senate Bylaws Review Committee - updated after the February 11, 2019 Faculty Senate Meeting)
   - Motion (Hearne/Berry): Approve the proposed bylaws changes. Approved by clicker vote of 35:1:0 (Affirm:Reject:Abstain).
   i. Track-changed edits to the Faculty Senate Bylaws (Attachment 4)
   ii. Summary of all proposed changes to the Faculty Senate Bylaws (Attachment 5)
      a) Additions since February 11, 2019 include Housekeeping #9 and Content #7, 8, 10, and 11

VIII. New Business
a. Policy 334: Field Trips (Attachment 6)
b. Policy 611: Student Travel Policy (Attachment 7)
c. Policy 611.1/334.1: International Travel for Students (Attachment 8)
i. Note that only change is policy number
   - Motion (Katti/Del Rio Mendoza): Approve the three policy changes above.
     o Discussion: What number (300 or 600) should policy in (c) be? It is unclear.
Motion (McCourt/Lepper): Postpone discussion of all three policies to April meeting. Motion passed by clicker vote of 33:1:0 (Affirm:Reject:Abstain).

IX. Adjourn

- Motion (Rodgers/Aly Ahmed): Adjourn meeting. The motion carried by acclamation.
- The meeting was adjourned at 3:54 PM by President Gillam.