

Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2022

- I. Call to Order: 3:02pm
- II. Attendance: See Appendix 1.
- III. Adoption of the Agenda: Limb/Overton
 - Approved unanimously
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 24, 2022
 - Approved by unanimous consent
- V. Announcements.
 - Dean Bresciani, President
 - The NDSU capital campaign raised over \$586,000,000, which exceeds the goal of \$400,000,000 set by the fundraising committee. It is an extraordinary performance in the state. No one has ever raised this much before. NDSU is consistently receiving over \$60 million each year from donors and sponsors. The sponsors and donors come from across the community.
 - Most of the gifts are endowed gifts. Endowments at the university are now over \$400,000,000, which makes NDSU more attractive to students and others. It could change our bond rating for the positive.
 - Margaret Fitzgerald, Provost
 - No report.
 - Florin Salajan, Faculty Senate President
 - The ad-hoc Committee on International Engagement and Global Initiative now has 4 senators on it. Pres. Salajan thanked them for their service. The Office of Study Abroad has placed a representative on the committee.
 - Reminded Senators about the call for Senators to attend the meeting in person to conduct Senate meetings in person.

- Dennis Cooley, Faculty Senate Past-President
 - At 12pm on 1 March 2022, there will be a public forum on academic freedom. The event is sponsored by Tri-College University, NDSU Student Government, Humanities ND, AHSS, and the Northern Plains Ethics Institute. More information about the event, including the zoom link, has been distributed through the NDSU employee listserv.
 - NDSU Student Government gave \$5,000 to the project on Free Speech/Academic Freedom.
 - A suggestion was made to invite legislators to the academic freedom events.
- Anastassiya Andrianova, Faculty Senate President-Elect
 - Made a modest request for the NDSU community. When working reports are shared in the community, please keep in mind the impact of the recommendations on Faculty well-being. Please share the recommendations with those affected by them before such recommendations are distributed to a wider public.
 - Happy Valentine's Day!
- Joshua Schroetter, Staff Senate President
 - Staff Senate has not had a lot of meeting time recently.
 - The Day of Honor event will be next week. An email will be going out to Faculty soon with more details of the program.
 - The Staff Senate is now in the process of accepting applications for the Staff Senate's scholarships.
 - The Gunkelman Award Ceremony is on 4 May 2022. Nomination forms will be open soon.
- Laura Friedmann, Student Body Vice-President
 - Not present.
- Philip Hunt, Registrar
 - No announcements.
- Susan Sell, Dean, Graduate School
 - Pres. Salajan welcomed the new dean to NDSU and the Faculty Senate.
 - Dean Sell stated that she has been here since January 3rd and is getting to know the communities and the weather.
 - Welcomes input in developing a strategic plan. Wants to make a welcoming graduate community in response to the campus survey.
 - Invited everyone to the upcoming 3MT event.

- Announced that there is a big uptick in applications – 900 application increase over last year's in all categories.
- Marc Wallman, VP for Information Technology
 - Announced that there are changes coming to the faculty.
 - Made a reminder to store research and other data in a secure area.
 - ITS will be purging Zoom content more frequently than before. Anything over 9 months will be purged starting at the end of this semester.
 - If a faculty member is struggling in the classroom with its technology, the faculty member should contact ITS for help.
 - Question was raised about linking the NDSU system with Blackboard so that there is only one login instead of two.
 - Wallman stated that it is the NDUS system versus an NDSU system, which are not compatible. The one login cannot be done.
 - How can an instructor use both the NDSU Google Drive and a personal Google Drive?
 - The instructor can use two separate browsers to address the issue.
 - Can Faculty Senate be given the flyer identifying the upcoming changes that ITS has been handing out?
 - It will be sent to President Salajan to be distributed to the faculty.

VI. Committee and Other Reports.

- Budget Committee report
 - M. Petersen reported that there was nothing new to report. They are continuing to meet with the various ad hoc budget committees, and then giving recommendations to the Provost.

VII. Consent Agenda.

- UCC Report
- Policy 601.1
- Approved by unanimous consent

VIII. Unfinished Business.

IX. General Order.

- Resolution on Defending Academic Freedom to Teach about Race and Gender Justice, and Critical Race Theory
 - a. Motion returned to the floor in accordance with Motion to Postpone until the Faculty Senate's February meeting. (Original motion: Motion to approve the resolution: Ross/Roberts)
- Pres. Salajan provided more background and updates since the last meeting. CCF met and approved an ad hoc committee to draft a resolution. The original parameters were rather vague. The ad hoc committee will draft a resolution and send it to CCF on 1 March 2022.
 - Pres. Salajan stated that he revised the resolution according to comments and suggestions received.
- Discussion.
 - Question raised about how this resolution will be delivered to the relevant parties.
 - One idea is to put the resolutions online on the Faculty Senate website.
 - There is no reference to the legislature in the resolution, only "external bodies" in order not to antagonize anyone or any specific body. Therefore, there is no need to send it to the legislature.
 - If the resolution becomes a public document, it can be shared with anyone.
 - A faculty member representative on the SBHE stated that the SBHE is in favor of NDUS Faculty Senates writing resolutions.
 - Suggestion to make the resolution clearer about the consequences of not teaching students fully about what happened in the past. Students will, therefore, be more likely to make the same mistakes or do the same bad things. How the resolution is phrased now is too generic.
 - Motion to amend original motion by substitution of the following: To approve the resolution with the minor changes suggested by Sen Selekwa: Cooley/Ross.
 - It was pointed out that the document has been available for discussion and suggestions for some time. Minor changes are acceptable, but no more than that.
 - Concern was raised about crafting language on the

floor.

- It was pointed out that since there had been plenty of time for changes, the time for revisions is over.
- Concern was raised about other suggested changes not being incorporated.
 - Pres. Salajan stated that the suggestions were considered and some of the revisions had already been made. The non-redundant ones that assisted in improving the resolution were incorporated.
- Questions were raised about what happens if this motion passes: Who makes the revision? Will the full Senate be able to look at the revision before it goes out?
 - The Faculty Senate Executive Team would revise and then the document would be adopted.
- Motion to amend by substitution failed (Vote 1. See Appendix 2): 12 Aye; 24 Nay; 1 Abstain
- Motion to approve resolution passed (Vote 2. See Appendix 2): 32 Aye; 4 Nay; 1 Abstain.

X. New Business.

XI. Adjournment at 4:09pm: Ross/Ungar.

- Approved unanimously

Appendix 1: Attendance

Name	Substitution	Present
Aldrich-Wolfe, Laura		x
Andrianova, Anastasiya		x
Arnold, Lisa		x
Amiri, Ali		x
Asa, Eric	Banawi, A	x
Berg, Eric		
Burt, Sean		x
Byrd, Christopher		x
Choi, Juwon		x
Christensen, Warren		x
Cooley, Dennis		x
Creese, John		
Emanuelson, Pam		x
Fellows, Kristen		x
Harringer, Shannon		x
Hassel, Holly		x
Hershberger, John	Hintz, V	x
Hong, Yontao (David)		x
Huseth-Zosel, Andrea		x
Jackson, Jeremy		x
Kilina, Svetlana		x
Larson, Jamee		x
Limb, Ryan		x
Lin, Zhibin		x
March, Raymond		
McGrath, Ryan		x
Nordstrom, Onnolee		x
O'Rourke, Stephen		x
Overton, Kimberly		x
Peltier, Allison		
Philbrick, Candace		x
Rahman, Mukhlesur		x
Roberts, David	Rayamahjee, V.	x
Ross, Darrell		x
Salajan, Florin		x
Selekwa, Majura		x
Smith, Matthew		x
Thompson, Sara		x
Tian, Ruilin	Jones, J.	x
Ungar, Abraham		x

Wood, Scott	x
Wu, Xiangfa	
Yan, Changhui	x
Yan, Guiping	x
Zhang, Qi	x
Zhao, Pinjing	x

Appendix 2: Voting Record

Session Name: Ballot 2-14-2022 5-50 PM

Date Created: 2/14/22, 2:33:29 PM **Active Participants:** 33 of 59

Questions: 2s

Results Detail

Last Name	First Name	Q1	Q2
ALDRICH-WOLFE	Laura	NAY	AYE
ANDRIANOVA	Anastassiya	NAY	AYE
ARNOLD	Lisa	NAY	AYE
BURT	Sean	NAY	AYE
BYRD	Christopher	NAY	AYE
CHOI	Juwon	AYE	AYE
CHRISTENSEN	Warren	AYE	NAY
COOLEY	Dennis	NAY	AYE
EMANUELSON	Pamela	NAY	AYE
FELLOWS	Kristen	NAY	AYE
HASSEL	Holly	NAY	AYE
HINSZ	Verlin	NAY	AYE
HONG	Yongtao	NAY	AYE
HUETH-ZOSEL	Andrea	AYE	AYE
JACKSON	Jeremy	NAY	NAY

JONES	Joseph	NAY	AYE
LARSON	Jamee	NAY	AYE
LIMB	Ryan	NAY	NAY
LIN	Zhibin	AYE	AYE
MCGRATH	Ryan	AYE	AYE
NORDSTROM	Onnolee	NAY	AYE
O'ROURKE	Stephen	AYE	AYE
OVERTON	Kimberly	NAY	AYE
PHILBRICK	Candace	NAY	AYE
RAHMAN	Md Mukhlesur	AYE	AYE
RAYAMAJHEE	Veeshan	NAY	ABS
ROSS	Darrell	NAY	AYE
SELEKWA	Majura	AYE	AYE
SMITH	Matthew	NAY	NAY
THOMPSON	Sara	NAY	AYE
WOOD	Scott	NAY	AYE
YAN	Changhui	AYE	AYE
ZHANG	Qi	ABS	AYE

Several Senators were unable to vote electronically. Their voice votes are recorded following the chart below.

Q1: AYE: Banawi, Kilina, and Ungar; NAY: Zhao; ABSTAIN: None.

Q2: AYE: Banawi, Kilina, Ungar, and Zhao; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None.