

# Meeting Minutes October 11, 2021

I. Call to Order: 3:02pm

### II. Attendance:

Name	Substitution	Present
Aldrich-Wolfe, Laura		X
Amiri, Ali		X
Andrianova,		X
Anastassiya		
Arnold, Lisa	Ambrosio, T	X
Asa, Eric		X
Berg, Eric		
Burt, Sean		X
Byrd, Christopher		X
Choi, Juwon		X
Christensen, Warren		X
Cooley, Dennis		X
Creese, John	Mataic, D.	X
Emanuelson, Pam		X
Fellows, Kristen	Boonstoppel, S	X
Harringer, Shannon		X
Hassel, Holly		X
Hershberger, John		X
Hong, Yontao (David)		X
Huseth-Zosel, Andrea		X
Jackson, Jeremy		X
Kilina, Svetlana		
Larson, Jamee		X
Limb, Ryan		X
Lin, Zhibin		
March, Raymond		X
McGrath, Ryan	Smith, J.	X
Nordstrom, Onnolee		

O'Rourke, Stephen		X
Overton, Kimberly		X
Peltier, Allison		X
Philbrick, Candace	Wyum, D.	X
Rahman, Mukhlesur		X
Roberts, David		X
Ross, Darrell		X
Salajan, Florin		X
Selekwa, Majura		X
Smith, Matthew		X
Thompson, Sara		X
Tian, Ruilin		
Ungar, Abraham		X
Wood, Scott		X
Wu, Xiangfa		
Yan, Changhui		X
Yan, Guiping		X
Zhang, Qi		X
Zhao, Pinjing		X

- III. Adoption of the Agenda: Motion to adopt: Hong/Overton.
  - 1. Motion to amend by removing Policy 154 to new business: Andrianova/Emanuelson
    - i. Motion to amend passed unanimously.
  - 2. Motion to adopt passed unanimously.
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 13, 2021: Motion to approve: Overton/Burt.
  - 1. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

#### V. Announcements.

- 1. Dean Bresciani, President
  - i. There will be a special session of legislature in a few days. Their main task is the distribution of funding. There is about \$700 million available with \$13.6 billion in requests for the money.
  - ii. 15 October 2021 is the deadline for students to take advantage of NDSU's vaccine initiative.
  - iii. NDSU is down to 18 students and 1 employee with COVID. The Western part of the state is struggling.
  - iv. Bison Bidders Bowl event brought in \$684,000 in scholarship money.

- v. NDSU presidential search is underway. January is scheduled for on-campus interviews with a February decision date by SBHE. A new president might be installed around 1 July 2022.
- 2. Margaret Fitzgerald, Provost
  - i. No announcments.
  - ii. Question: When will we know what the budget cut is?
    - a. Response from President Bresciani: The person responsible for that is ill. Will get that information out soon.
- 3. Florin Salajan, Faculty Senate President
  - i. To all Senators:
    - a. Reminder to use the TurningPoint voting system provided to them.
    - b. Reminder to use the proxy substitution form and get it in early to assist with the efficient running of the Faculty Senate.
- 4. Dennis Cooley, Faculty Senate Past-President
  - i. No announcments.
- 5. Anastassiya Andrianova, Faculty Senate President-Elect
  - i. No announcments.
- 6. Joshua Schroetter, Staff Senate President
  - i. No announcments.
- 7. Laura Friedmann, Student Body Vice-President
  - i. Not present.
- 8. Philip Hunt, Registrar
  - i. Reminder to submit grades for 8 week classes by 19 October 2021.
  - ii. Reminder that the deadline to complete FERPA training is 18 October 2021. If you are running into problems, then please feel free to contact him.
    - a. He will send out another email to remind faculty.
  - iii. When registration opens, it will be for Spring semester only. They tried to get summer and spring, but could not do it. The summer registration will open in Spring semester.
- 9. Colleen Fitzgerald, Vice President for Research and Creative Activities
  - i. Introduced herself to the Faculty Senate by talking about her background.
  - ii. She is planning on holding listening sessions with each college. Also, she is meeting with deans and others during her early weeks here to gather information, including what should be on her radar.
  - iii. If you see her out and about, she encourages you to introduce yourself to her.
- VI. Committee and Other Reports.
  - 1. Budget Committee report
    - i. M. Peterson reported that there is nothing to report. The committee has its next meeting 12 October 2021.

- ii. Questions: Has the budget committee had access to across the board budget cuts information? Does the committee plan to take a more engaged role in budget decision-making?
  - a. Response: They have not seen anything beyond the Huron report. There are plans to become more involved. The committee is meeting with President Bresciani in two weeks. Provost Fitsgerald attends each meeting.
- 2. General Education Committee report
  - i. Sen. Hassel sent out report, but summarized some of what was in it.
    - a. General Education reviewed its bylaws, revised outcomes and answered questions about general education, a primary goal was around assessment, and have been working with J. Boyer.
    - b. New timeline has been adopted. Have to revalidate 20% of courses every year, as per their committee's bylaws.
    - c. Feedback from those AHSS departments most affected by the change in timeline about concerns with revalidating cultural diversity classes. It means some programs will have to do revalidation sooner than they had been planning on. Working with individual departmens on prioritizing courses.
    - d. Several workshops are set up to assist faculty.
  - ii. The General Education Report will be distributed to Faculty Senate when it is received.
  - iii. Question: The General Education Committee revalidated only 10 courses out of the 40 classes that were scheduled.
    - a. Response: Committee is moving toward a more systematic approach. At this point it is an accreditation requirement.

#### VII. Consent Agenda.

- 1. UCC Report
- 2. Policy 153
- 3. Policy 601
- 4. Confirmation of FS Standing Committees
  - i. Consent Agenda passed by unanimous consent.

## VIII. Planning and Prioritizing Senate Action for the Year.

- 1. Proposed Priorities
  - i. Budget reductions and strategic planning
    - a. To report at each Faculty Senate meeting for 2021-2022 academic year.
  - ii. Equity, diversity and inclusion
    - a. Besides the work already being done by the standing committee, there were no suggestions on what the Faculty Senate should do.
  - iii. Internationalization and global engagement

- a. Faculty Senate formed an ad hoc committee which has yet to be fully staffed. Three senators still needed to fill the committee. No nominations from the floor. Contact President Salajan with nominations.
- b. The committee will focus on attracting international students but also figuring out framework for supporting these classes, research, and other initiatives at the university.
- iv. Shared governance framework development
  - a. This Faculty Senate ad hoc committee was formed last year and did some work on a framework. Part of the framework is to have a common understanding of what shared governance means. Committee worked on for several months and produced a draft policy document.
    - a. Recommendation to use the resources of AAUP (Red Book).
  - b. Need a member from the Faculty Senate to join Sen. Hassel on this committee. Send nominations to President Salajan.
- v. Innovations to attract, enroll and retain more students.
  - a. The desire is to find students from marginalized populations in the state and other pools not currently being optimized.
  - b. Question: Is there an existing committee on this? Response: Retention Committee exists and can give reports to Faculty Senate. In November they are going to share ideas with deans and departments.
    - a. Sen. Emanuelson is our proposed FS member to this committee.
- 2. Motion to adopt the proposed Faculty Senate priorities: Christensen/Roberts
  - i. Discussion included whether the five topics were ranked.
    - a. Response: They are merely listed, not ranked.
  - ii. Some of the priorities have clearer outcomes than others, such as the budget reductions and strategic planning having clearer outcomes.
    - a. Response: We are talking a bit in generalities, but that might be the nature of the beast.
  - iii. Motion to adopt approved (Q1): 33 Aye, 1 Nay, 1 Abstention.
- IX. Unfinished Business.
  - 1. None.
- X. General Order.
  - 1. Proposed amendments to the Faculty Senate Bylaws (Article V, Section 6; Article II, Section 9)
    - i. Motion to approve amendments to the Faculty Senate Bylaws (Article V, Section 6; Article II, Section 9) (Q2): Christensen/Smith
      - a. Discussion:

- a. J. Boyer stated that revisions began in 2020. UAC was updating the work requirements of UAC to include institution assessment. The revisions better reflect committee memberships, for example, removing undergraduate student from membership. Also added some member responsibilities.
- b. Organization of the Faculty Senate. We need a Secretary for the Faculty Senate. The person will be drawn from the Faculty, will not be a senator, and will be appointed in the same way that the Parliamentarian is
- ii. Motion to approve amendments passed: 30 Aye, 2 Nay, 0 Abstentions.

#### XI. New Business.

- 1. Proposed amendment to the Faculty Senate Bylaws (Article II, Section 6)
  - i. Motion to authorize the proposed amendment to be added to the November Faculty Senate meeting agenda (Q3): Burt/Smith
  - ii. Motion to authorize passed: 32 Aye, 1 Nay, 0 Abstentions.

#### 2. Policy 154

- i. Motion to approve Policy 154 (Q4): Roberts/Ambrosio
- ii. Discussion:
  - a. Concern was registered about the policy and how it raises the bar to prove harassment. Also, might be in violation of SB 2030. One restricts speech and one promotes speech. There could be harmful situations created. Is student harassment of faculty covered in this policy?
  - b. C. Peterson spoke about how this policy is being driven by the FIRE organization, but it is a mandate from the state. There is a general harassment policy that covers under a broad level. Cannot use the code of student conduct to censor or punish language that is not recognized as prohibted language.
  - c. Question was raised about whether the policy language could be changed. Response was that there isn't much that can be changed because it is a mandate from the state. Can change a bit of wording in the introduction and the final section on chalking. The definitions and general provisions are pretty well locked in from the law and policy at the state level.
  - d. Question was raised whether it was possible to vote against this policy and it still being implemented. The vote would register what the senators think about the policy.
- iii. Motion to approve failed: 7 Aye, 20 Nay, 6 Abstentions.

## XII. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: Jackson/Roberts

1. Motion approved unanimously.

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Average Score: 0.00% Questions: 4

## **Results Detail**

First Name	Last Name	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Warren	Christensen	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Ray	March	NAY	NAY	NAY	AYE
Dena	Wyum	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Sara	Thompson	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Md Mukhlesur	Rahman	AYE	AYE	AYE	ABS
Scott	Wood	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Sean	Burt	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Ryan	Limb	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Dennis	Cooley	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
Thomas	Ambrosio	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
Yongtao	Hong	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Matthew	Smith	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Darrell	Ross	AYE	-	-	NAY
Qi	Zhang	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Kimberly	Overton	AYE	AYE	AYE	ABS

Sarah	Boonstoppel	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Joseph	Smith	AYE	AYE	AYE	ABS
Pinjing	Zhao	AYE	AYE	AYE	-
Changhui	Yan	AYE	AYE	AYE	ABS
Shannon	Harriger	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
Andrea	Huseth-Zosel	AYE	AYE	AYE	ABS
Pamela	Emanuelson	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Dane	Mataic	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
John	Hershberger	AYE	-	AYE	AYE
Jeremy	Jackson	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
Juwon	Choi	AYE	NAY	AYE	AYE
Anastassiya	Andrianova	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
David	Roberts	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Christopher	Byrd	AYE	AYE	AYE	ABS
Allison	Peltier	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Jamee	Larson	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Holly	Hassel	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Laura	Aldrich-Wolfe	AYE	AYE	AYE	NAY
Guiping	Yan	-	AYE	AYE	NAY
Stephen	O'Rourke	AYE	-	-	-