
T. Aurand attended for G. Gordon.

Parliamentarian Ferald Bryan was present.

THOSE FACULTY SENATE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Balamuralikrishna, Bisplinghoff, Blaschak, Booth, Butler, Ciesla, Coller, Docking, Doederlein, Carnahan, Gandal, Gorman, Hamlet, Hanley, Holmes, Johnson, Kamenitsa, Kolb, Kowalski, Lusk, Markowitz, Moraga, Morris, Nord, Orem, Peters, Pierce, Ridnour, Rose, Scherer, Schoenbachler, D. Smith, S. Song, X. Song, Spires, Stravers, Thu, Tollerud, Wade, Walton

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 1, 2006 FACULTY SENATE MEETING – walk-in

The minutes were approved as amended (“member not present” changed to “members not present.”)

IV. PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

S. Pace announced the official campus kick-off for the new student system on April 11.

N. Castle reminded the Senate that our last meeting will be at the Barsema Alumni Visitors Center and, on behalf of Jerry and Carole Zar and the donors who founded the Castle Faculty Library, invited Senators to a reception after the Faculty Senate meeting on April 26. Faculty-authored books should be sent to Ging Smith at the Founders Library.
In response to an inquiry from last month, **P. Stoddard** relayed that “the new rate for promotion from assistant to associate is now $400 a month and promotion from associate to professor is now $500 a month.”

**P. Stoddard** updated the Senate on the Provost search, which is on track for an end-of-term hire.

Summer hours, (four days at 8.75 hrs) will start the week of June 5, and run through Friday, August 11.

V. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

VII. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Academic Affairs – Kendall Thu, Chair – no report

B. Economic Status of the Profession – Radha Balamuralikrishna, Chair – report

**P. Stoddard** reported that there was nothing new to report from the Benefits Committee.

C. Resource, Space and Budget – C. T. Lin, Chair – report (Pages 3-4)

**C. T. Lin** reported that RSB met with Andy Small from Chemistry, Mike Saari from Building Maintenance, Bob Albanese from Finance and Facilities Operations and Frederick Schwantes, the Vice Provost for Resource Planning with respect to problems with the timeliness of maintenance. The committee found that understaffing, due to budgetary constraints, was the major part of the problem. The committee recommended the following two items:

1) Set up a website where the status of work orders can be monitored.
2) A newsletter should be developed to update the university community on maintenance-related issues.

Resources for these activities should not come from maintenance.

D. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities – Joseph “Buck” Stephen, Chair – report

E. Rules and Governance – Nancy Castle, Chair – no report

F. Elections and Legislative Oversight – Stephen Nord, Chair – report

**P. Stoddard** called for nominations for Faculty Personnel Advisor. A discussion of the duties and responsibilities of the position ensued.
1. Selection of a committee for the Evaluation of the Executive Secretary of University Council and President of Faculty Senate – see Faculty Senate Bylaws, Article 7 (Page 5)

FS members: Laurel Jeris and Janet Holt, with alternate Kendall Thu.
Student: Jeffrey Meyer, alternate Adam Novotny.

2. Selection of a committee for the Evaluation of the Faculty Personnel Advisor – see Faculty Senate Bylaws, Article 7 (Page 5)

Selected were Richard Greene, Judith Mertz, and Natalie Churyk and alternate Michael Morris.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES

A. FAC to IBHE – Sharon Holmes – no report

B. BOT Academic Affairs, Student Affairs and Personnel Committee – Joseph (Buck) Stephen and Ferald Bryan – report – walk-in

C. BOT Finance, Facilities, and Operations Committee – Paul Stoddard and Xueshu Song – no report

D. BOT Legislation, Audit, and External Affairs Committee – Rachel Turner and Shey Lowman – no report

E. BOT – Paul Stoddard – report

P. Stoddard: reported that the full board approved all recommendations from the board Committees (reported on last month).

XI. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

P. Stoddard thanked retiring Shey Lowman for your efforts with the Senate.

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Minutes, Academic Planning Council
B. Minutes, Athletic Board minutes
C. Minutes, Campus Security and Environmental Quality
D. Minutes, Committee on Initial Teacher Certification
E. Minutes, Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum
F. Minutes, Graduate Council
G. Minutes, Undergraduate Coordinating Council minutes
H. Minutes, University Assessment Panel
I. Minutes, University Benefits Committee minutes
J. Letter of Acceptance of Nomination from Paul Stoddard (Page 6)

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.