FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2008, 3:00 P.M.
HOLMES STUDENT CENTER SKY ROOM


Parliamentarian Ferald Bryan was present.


I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:07pm

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as amended (report from RSB added).

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2, 2008 FS MEETING (Pages 3-6)

The minutes were approved as written.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Report from the Committee to Evaluate the President of the Faculty Senate/Executive Secretary of University Council

B. Report from the Committee to Evaluate the Faculty Personnel Advisor

V. PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

P. Stoddard announced the names of the newly elected Senators, noting that not all departments had selected their representatives. Re-elected and departing Senators were recognized.

P. Stoddard and N. Castle offered some clarification on NIU’s licensing of logos in the aftermath of the Feb 14 tragedy.
VI. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

A. UCC Report – Cason Snow (Page 7)

B. Progress report on Athletic Director search committee

N. Castle reported that a new Athletic Director has been selected. He comes from a fairly strong university background and has good operational skills and a student affairs background. She expressed optimism about his desire for academic integrity.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

VIII. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES

A. FAC to IBHE – Earl Hansen – no report

B. BOT Academic Affairs, Student Affairs and Personnel Committee – Joseph “Buck” Stephen and Ferald Bryan – no report


D. BOT Legislation, Audit and External Affairs Committee – Jay Monteiro and Bobbie Cesarek – no report

E. BOT – Paul Stoddard – no report

IX. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

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

B. Economic Status of the Profession – Cason Snow, Chair – no report

C. Resource, Space and Budget – C. T. Lin, Chair – report

L. Derscheid reported on the committee’s meeting with Provost Alden and Executive Vice President of Business and Finance and Chief of Operations, Dr. Williams. Discussion topics included Cole Hall, grant opportunities with the Department of Justice and Education that Virginia Tech had suggested, the state budget outlook, Kishwaukee Hall, and communication issues from child care program.

D. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities – Alan Rosenbaum, Chair – no report

E. Rules and Governance – Nancy Castle, Chair – no report
F. Elections and Legislative Oversight – Earl Hansen, Chair – report

1. Election of President of Faculty Senate for 2008-2009

E. Hansen oversaw the election of Paul Stoddard as President of the Faculty Senate for 2008-2009.

2. Reappointment of Faculty Personnel Advisor

E. Hansen moved that the only nominee for Faculty Personnel Advisor, Alan Rosenbaum, be approved by acclimation. The motion passed.

3. Election of UCPC representatives for 2008-2010

Ballots were cast for UCPC representatives for 2008-2010. Votes to be counted the following week.

N.B: Elected were Terry Bishop (BUS), Clifford Mirman (EET), Eric Mogren (LAS), and Barbara Jaffee (VPA).

4. Committees of the University 2008 – 2009 vacancies for Faculty Senate to approve or select – packet will be distributed at Faculty Senate meeting – walk in.

Regina Rahn was elected to the APPM Advisory Committee, and Deb Pender to the Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

P. Stoddard thanked everybody for their patience and perseverance in a difficult year.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.