I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

P. Stoddard: There is one addition to the agenda in that we will have a report from Resource, Space and Budget and Linda Derscheid will be presenting that report for us. Any other discussion about the agenda? If not, all in favor of the agenda as amended say aye. Opposed? Thank you.

The agenda was approved as amended.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2, 2008 FS MEETING

(Pages 3-6)


The minutes were approved as written.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

P. Stoddard: With that, I think our next order of business is to go into Executive Session and I think Dr. Thu will preside so we need a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of the Senate hearing reports from the committee to evaluate the President of the Faculty Senate
and Executive Secretary of the University Council. That’s one report – and a report to hear from the committee to evaluate the Faculty Personnel Advisor. Thank you. All in favor? Opposed? We’re in Executive Session. Everybody who’s not an executive leave.

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: And newly elected, this list is not yet complete, but for those – with the semester’s events, some of the departments haven’t been able to get their names to us yet but the names we do have so far are Brad Cripe from Accountancy, Julie Johnson-Hillery from Family, Consumer and Nutrition, Giovanni Bennardo from Anthropology, Joseph ???, H. Joel Jeffrey from Computer Science, Lori ???, ?? from Electrical Engineering. I don’t think any of them are actually here but let’s have applause for them anyway. All right, thanks to everybody once again.

Is Professor Castle here today. Okay, there isn’t time for that. Anyway, at Professor Castle’s request, I contacted Mike Malone who had a meeting in Chicago today and was not apparently able to get back in time but there’s been some concern I think about the licensing of NIU logos and so Mike prepared a somewhat lengthy e-mail for me going into the issue as completely as he can. I’ll just go through this hopefully rather quickly. Northern Illinois University owns the license to all its names, logos, logo type trademarks. These include the university CO logos and athletic logos. The university, through Foundation, gives the Foundation sole use of the names, logos, etc. for the purpose of raising money on behalf of NIU. In normal day-to-day operations, staff in the athletic department approve logo use for sweatshirts, camps, etc. to make sure vendors follow the university’s approved policies for use of the various trademarks. Following the tragedy of February 14, Mike Malone was in regular communication with his counterpart at Virginia Tech who warned that we would face a wave of unauthorized logo use and illegal fund raising activities. Sadly, he says, both of these predictions came true. After discussion with the President, he was given the task of trying to police the authorized use of our locals and shut down illegal fund raising efforts, many on-line and totally unconnected to NIU but promised some portion of the sale price of the item would go to help the victims at NIU. From that point on, he gave regular reports to the crisis team regarding unauthorized logo use and illegal fund raising operations. Acting on the advice of our colleagues at Virginia Tech, NIU temporarily shut down its licensing operation. Trusted vendors who had already had approvals would continue to produce NIU logo gear – t-shirts, etc., for which approval had been previously granted. No new designs were considered and no current designs to add any reference to events or victims of February 14. We worked with our licensing agency, our general counsel and the US Attorney’s Office to limit profiteering. Some days, Mike would be alerted to more than a dozen new sites selling pirated NIU logs and/or fund raising operations unconnected to NIU, using our name and logo. There were some extremely well-intended, grass root fund raising efforts primarily but not limited to those initiated by current students. In these cases we were able to monitor or shut down the operations with no financial harm coming to the students.
themselves. We received almost universal compliance from these individuals and groups once we explained the situation. The issue of logo use is on the agenda of the Senior Cabinet on Monday’s meeting – obviously that’s this upcoming Monday. The President would like to get input from the Senior Cabinet and others in the NIU community before deciding to resume routine logo approvals and what restrictions, if any, there will be on logo use moving forward. So that’s what Mike Malone has to say about logos. Does that answer your question Nancy?

N. Castle: Yeah, you know the more often this can get out in public – I was accosted at dinner a couple of nights ago by somebody who was very angry that the Foundation strong armed students on campus to wrench away any ability to raise money and so on and I knew that to be not true and so I thought if we could get some correct information to whatever bodies – responsible bodies – that can carry information back that would be helpful. I do know there was an instance with a fraternity on campus where once they started advising on-line that they would have these t-shirts, they were undated with like 30,000 orders that they could not fill and, in fact, it put them in a very serious financial fraud type situation and the Foundation did step in and basically bailed them and so I just thought if we had the opportunity to get some correct information out that would be a good thing to do so thank you Paul.

P. Stoddard: Okay and I think the last paragraph of Mike’s e-mail sort of indirectly asks if there’s any input from the NIU community on the issue of removing the restriction on logo use so this would probably be an appropriate body – if there are any faculty who have thoughts on that. If you have anything, you can either tell me now or e-mail it to me later. Dr. Castle?

N. Castle: I would think that we would like to have the university, however it handles it, be the only entity that can license the black ribbon with the Huskie logo. I would like to see us work to prevent people who are unconnected to Northern profiting from the tragedy that occurred here so however they organize it, that if there’s going to be profit, it should go to the scholarship fund – it should go to an appropriate purpose – but for people to just make t-shirts to get money, I just don’t like to see that happen.

P. Stoddard: Okay. Thank you Dr. Castle.

N. Churyk: As far as the Huskie and the NIU logo, as faculty advisor for two student groups, I know we raise funds – we don’t particular do t-shirts but I know and SAS, Student Accounting Society, do t-shirts and I would like them to be able to get the logo in whatever manner they do from the university or have the university bookstore print them or get them from a place that they’re able to do that – to then sell the t-shirts on campus. So I would like to have the ability to use the logo. I know but Paul had mentioned all university – Huskie and NIU – not the black ribbon but the regular Huskie and NIU because if we’re talking about logos, I believe all logs will be coming up, not just the ribbon.

P. Stoddard: Okay. Any comments? Well thank you.

VI. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION
P. Stoddard: Moving on, under Items for Faculty Consideration, we have the report from the Undergraduate Coordinate Council. The liaison is Cason Snow. He’s provided a written report on page 7. Do you have anything you want to add to that or summarize it?

A. UCC Report – Cason Snow (Page 7)

C. Snow: No, it’s fairly brief – you know, brevity being the soul of wit – yeah, I’ll just leave it at that.

P. Stoddard: All right, a very witty report. Thank you. Any questions on that for Cason?

B. Progress report on Athletic Director search committee

P. Stoddard: Next we have a progress report and I believe this will be our last progress report on the Athletic Director search. Dr. Castle.

N. Castle: I just wanted to let you all know that I think you will be very pleased with the Athletic Director who was selected. He comes from a fairly strong university type background. He’s got a nice combination of the ability to run an operation but he was also in student affairs and as part of the interview committee representing the faculty senate, I talked at length about the GPA and so on and he’s very committed to working with the faculty, working with the students. He would like to see the tradition that we now have of five straight semesters of 3.0 GPA raised to higher GPAs so I think we’ll find him to be someone who understands the academic side of that job and that he’ll be, I think, okay for us to work with.

P. Stoddard: All right. Any questions for Professor Castle? Thank you. Nice job Nancy.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

P. Stoddard: We’ve got nothing to consent to.

VIII. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES

P. Stoddard: We have no reports from the Advisory Committees.

A. FAC to IBHER – Earl Hansen – no report

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

C. BOT Finance, Facilities, and Operations Committee – Paul Stoddard and Nancy Castle – 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

P. Stoddard: Moving on to reports from Standing Committees. As hinted at earlier, we’ve got a report from Resource, Space and Budget from Professor Derscheid.

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: We were able to meet with Provost Alden and Executive Vice President of Business and Finance and Chief of Operations, Dr. Williams. This was on March 26 and at that time, they were still discussing space issues related to Cole Hall for fall courses, looking at the various kinds of auditoriums that are available around campus and trying to figure out how to place sections with 400 students around the campus without Cole Hall available. We also discussed grant opportunities with the Department of Justice and Education that Virginia Tech had suggested and they also recommended that NIU not follow how they had done their grants and so again, learning from Virginia Tech’s experiences on recouping support services for emergency responses to the February 14 event. They are also talking about the task force for Cole Hall. We also asked about the budget and they said even back in March that the budget was looking grim from the state with the economy and they projected that we’re not going to be looking at a 5% to 10% increase on the budget for NIU. They will likely be giving a more moderate request, still pushing for capital budgets and mentioning that the state is losing millions of dollars of matching federal when they do not push for capital budgets. We discussed Kishwaukee Hall. It is still being used but it mentioned it is beyond renovation at this point and so they’re encouraging the Art Department to look at strategic plans on eventually moving out but there’s no particular hurry but encouraging them to make some plans. We also brought up about communication issues from child care programs that the ??? laboratory parents felt that they were not able to reach the center when the 2/14 alert occurred because of the communication systems. The telephone were pretty much shut down so when they wanted to find out about their childrens’ safety and how that was being handled, they could not get through to the telephone services. Provost Alden and Vice President Williams both nodded and said yes we have been in discussions with Verizon and hoping to expand that band width. They also talked about the State Police Department working on a grant with Microsoft for emergency communications and that maybe we might be able to tie into that. They did mention that the computer system, thank goodness, did work during the 2/14 alert and in our subsequent alerts because Virginia Tech had also recommended expanding the server capacity for computers which was done late summer and early last fall. We have still been finding out how much we learned from Virginia Tech’s experiences.

P. Stoddard: Thank you. Any questions for Professor Derscheid? All right. Then I believe our next report is from Elections and Legislative Oversight. This is where Professor Hansen earns his keep for the year.
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

E. Hansen: First off, can you all hear me or do I need to speak up? Good. We have four elections to deal with here.

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

E. Hansen: First we need to address the Election of Faculty Senate President/Executive Secretary of University Council. At this time, I’m going to use my microphone as a nominating tool to move that we accept the nomination of Paul Stoddard, close the nomination and unanimously approve the election and be done with it. Thank you very much, we have a second. All in favor of the question please answer by saying aye. Outstanding. We’re done; you’re back.

P. Stoddard: Thank you, thank you.

E. Hansen: You think.

2. Reappointment of Faculty Personnel Advisor

E. Hansen: Secondly, we’re going to nominate to retain the Faculty Personnel Advisor, Alan Rosenbaum. I move that we also move that we take that as the only nominee and close the nominations unless someone has someone they want to nominate. Do I hear a second on that motion? Call the question; all in favor say aye.

3. Election of UCPC representatives for 2008 – 2010 – ballots will be distributed at Faculty Senate meeting – voting will be by college – votes will be counted the following week and new UCPC members will be notified – walk-in.

E. Hansen: We’re moving right along here. Now comes the nitty-gritty one where we pass out all these multi-colored ballots for you. Where there are not enough of faculty from the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology – there are only two in here that I’m aware of, I’m going to ask my personal position here and a member of that faculty since 1980, I will vote as an abstention so you will get elected again. This is what you call holding it over your chair at times. We’re going to go ahead and do this – pass these out. The first go out to members of Visual and Performing Arts.

D. Mathesius: Could you raise your hands?

E. Hansen: So we can find you. The second ones go out to the College of Business, if you will raise your hands. College of Business. The pink ones here are for – what is that, LA&S right?
D. Mathesius: Right.

E. Hansen: LA&S and then I’ll pass out the Engineering, Engineering Technology.

D. Mathesius: Health and Human Sciences and Education – your representative is appointed for two years so you did your election last year. LA&S – I forgot to change the date; it’s 2008 to 2010.

A. Rosenbaum: The other thing I wanted to add there – not presuming that anyone would vote for me in the first place – but it would be a conflict of interest for me to be on the UCPC and also the Faculty Personnel Advisor so I want to pull my name off of that.

W. Baker: Who else does not wish to serve on this from LA&S?

P. Stoddard: We’ve never actually done that before. I mean, you know, this is – most of these things – well, that’s not entirely true. I mean, in Alan’s case it is a conflict of interest because of the position he holds so that’s a special circumstance.

D. Mathesius: The person with the most votes, I will call them. They have the choice. I mean, you can tell me no and we’ll go to the person with the next highest number of votes so if you really don’t want to serve, you can tell me that on the phone.

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.

E. Hansen: You have a blue paper that was handed to you that’s got Library Advisory Committee – 3 year term; University ?? – 2, Judicial Board – 3 year term; and University Press Board. This is point of reference to approve that these are the people who have been elected to these positions replacing the other individuals and I make a motion that we accept this document as what it is. All in favor say aye. All those opposed say no. Okay. That’s done. Now let me get this straight, are these open to discussion on these or ---

P. Stoddard: Yeah, typically they allow people to speak in favor of one of the candidates if anybody so chooses.

E. Hansen: Okay, I just want clarification on where it says faculty selected those are two that would be running under that at large not that they’ve been elected.

D. Mathesius: Right. They have shown interest in that position.

E. Hansen: On the stapled white sheet which you have here, Academic Policies and Procedure Manual Advisory Committee – 3 year term and the Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee – 3 year term. You have candidates there that anybody wanting to speak for either
one of the two candidates for the Academic Policies and Procedure Manual Advisory Committee – anyone interested in speaking for either one of those two candidates? Have at it.

**S. Armstrong:** Can anybody here tell me ??? (not on mike) – usually in regard to the most serious and it drops. Do we know what the rest of that was?

**D. Mathesius:** No.

**S. Armstrong:** Anybody have a good guess?

**P. Stoddard:** I would say issues.

**E. Hansen:** I’m not hearing anyone wanting to talk for either one of these two individuals – a term that comes around about every four years. Just ask? We have two people here who have been nominated and I’m just going to take them in the order of which they appear which would be Rebecca Martin would be the first one and then Regina ??? would be the second person so you’ll need to show hands on this. All in favor of the at large position to replace Don Zinger in favor or Rebecca Martin please raise your hands so we can get a count on that. Keep them up now. Don’t up and down them on me here. Okay, all in favor of Regina ???, raise your hand. So the winner of that – I guess that’s the term you see – is Regina ???. Moving on to the second position of Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee we have three candidates for this. They are Deb Pender, Steven Wright and Don Zinger. Does anyone want to speak for any one of these three candidates?

**N. Churyk:** To give you a little bit more information, I’ll answer questions regarding Deb Pender who was – as you see from her paragraph is very much involved with the February 14 incident and helped organize counselors on campus who were dispatched to the university halls, residence halls when they couldn’t leave campus and we provided some support for those students and she also is doing some follow up work with security and police task force that were involved in the incident and training for them.

**E. Hansen:** Some on Homeland Security Committee have been playing with this Virginia Tech thing since we got their paper over a year ago or a little less than a year ago and Deb was on the Homeland Security Committee and attends some meetings. That’s the only thing I can say about her. I know Don Zinger; I know he’s a professional. I don’t know anything about Steven Wright. I’m sorry, go ahead.

???: Don Zinger – it looks as though someone else nominated him. Did he want to run? I mean the other two are written in the “I” – I would like to do it – here is Don Zinger has a background. He is well suited. He would be acceptable. Apparently someone else nominated him. Did he agree with the nomination?

**E. Hansen:** I have no idea. I’m just asking you to vote. Now how that got on this sheet of paper is beyond me.

**D. Mathesius:** The colleges have the information.
**E. Hansen:** So I take that with a grain of salt. All right, here we go. All in favor of Deb Pender please signify by raising your hand and keep it up. Those in favor of Stephen Wright raise your hand. Don Zinger raise your hand. So it’s Deb Pender. Am I finally done and we can all leave?

**P. Stoddard:** Thank you all.

**X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**P. Stoddard:** It doesn’t appear we have any unfinished business or new business. Are there any comments or questions from the floor?

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

**XII. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

**XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

**P. Stoddard:** I would just say then that this is our last Senate meeting of the term so it’s been a unique semester hopefully the likes of which we won’t see again for a long time. I want to thank everybody for their patience and perseverance and go enjoy the rest of the day. Go enjoy your summers and I’ll see some of you back next fall. Motion to adjourn? All right. Thank you.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05pm.

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**XII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. Letter of Acceptance of Nomination from Paul Stoddard. (Page 18)

**P. Stoddard:** Under information items, last week you were gracious enough to nominate me for this position for another year. I officially accept that nomination via the letter that’s on the last page of your packet. We don’t need to take any action on that. Thank you, thank you. You’re too kind. With that, I will entertain a motion to adjourn. Thank you. We have a second. All in favor get up and leave. All opposed, stay here.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.