I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 27, 2015 FS MEETING

IV. PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS
   A. Division of Academic Affairs – Budget History – Provost Lisa Freeman

V. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION
   A. The Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award – Page 4
      Faculty Senate will vote on the recipient during the February 24 meeting.
      Recipient will be honored at the March 30 Faculty Senate meeting.

      1. Nomination for Therese Arado – Page 5

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

IX. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES
   A. FAC to IBHE – Paul Stoddard – report
   B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – no report
      Greg Long, Dan Gebo, Rebecca Shortridge, Leanne VandeCreek, Steve Builta, Holly Nicholson

X. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES
   A. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee – Paul Stoddard, Chair – no report
   B. Academic Affairs Committee – Jimmie Manning, Chair – no report
   C. Economic Status of the Profession Committee – no report
D. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Therese Arado, Chair

1. Nomination for Executive Secretary of University Council/President of Faculty Senate – 1-year term
   See list of University Council members eligible for election – Page 6
   NOMINATIONS TO BE TAKEN FROM THE FLOOR DURING FEB. 24 FACULTY SENATE MEETING

   Letters of acceptance are due in the Office of University Council and Faculty Senate by noon Friday, March 18, and will be included in the March 30 FS agenda packets. Election of final nominee will take place at the April 27 FS meeting.

2. Self-nomination for NIU representative to the Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – 4-year term
   See excerpt from NIU Bylaws, Article 16 – Page 7
   LETTERS OF SELF-NOMINATION DUE BY MARCH 18

   Letters of self-nomination are due in the Office of University Council and Faculty Senate by noon Friday, March 18, and will be included in the March 30 FS agenda packets. Election will take place at the March 30 FS meeting.

E. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Laura Beamer, Liaison/Spokesperson – report

XI. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Minutes, Academic Planning Council
B. Minutes, Admissions Policies and Academic Standards Committee
C. Minutes, Athletic Board
D. Minutes, Board of Trustees
E. Minutes, Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
F. Minutes, Committee on the Improvement of Undergraduate Education
G. Minutes, Committee on the Undergraduate Academic Experience
H. Minutes, Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum
I. Minutes, General Education Committee
J. Minutes, Graduate Council
K. Minutes, Graduate Council Curriculum Committee
L. Minutes, Honors Committee
M. Minutes, Operating Staff Council
N. Minutes, Supportive Professional Staff Council
O. Minutes, Undergraduate Coordinating Council
P. Minutes, University Assessment Panel
Q. Minutes, University Benefits Committee
R. Minutes, Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
S. Minutes, University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
T. Annual Report, Faculty and SPS Personnel Advisor

XIII. ADJOURNMENT
Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award

The Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award recognizes an NIU faculty member for special service to the faculty.

Written letters of nomination, identifying the reasons why the nominee should receive the award, are to be submitted to Faculty Senate President Greg Long no later than noon Wednesday, February 10, 2016. Those letters will be included in the February 24, 2016 meeting agenda packet, and the Faculty Senate will vote on the recipient at that meeting. The recipient will be honored at the March 30, 2016 meeting.

Award recipients are commemorated on a permanent plaque displayed in the Holmes Student Center which includes the names of all recipients.

Bob Lane Award Recipients

Dave Ripley – 1995-1996
Ken Bowden – 1996-1997
Lorys Oddi – 1997-1998
Sherman Stanage – 1998-1999
Herbert Rubin – 1999-2000
James King – 2001-2002
David Wagner – 2002-2003
Elizabeth Miller – 2003-2004
Joseph “Buck” Stephen – 2004-2005
Rosemary Feurer – 2009-2010
Charles Cappell – 2011-2012
George Slotsve – 2015-2016
February 10, 2016

To: Faculty Senate

From: Greg Long and George Slotsve

Re: Bob Lane nomination for Therese Arado

It is our pleasure to nominate Professor Therese Arado for this year’s Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award. Dr. Arado is a long-standing member of the university community and has devoted significant effort to support and advocate on behalf of faculty. She has served on and/or chaired multiple Faculty Senate committees. She has served on the Faculty Senate Steering Committee since 2010 and joined the University Council Steering Committee this spring semester. In addition, Professor Arado currently chairs the combined FS/UC Rules, Governance, and Elections Committee and has served on, or chaired, its predecessor, i.e., FS Elections & Legislative Oversight Committee, since 2011. Professor Arado also represents faculty interests on the University Benefits Committee and the Graduate Council.

In addition to her work in Faculty Senate, Professor Arado is a member of the Academic Program Prioritization Task Force. This commitment represents a significant investment of time and energy. It is yet another example, however, of Therese taking a pro-active role in helping create a better university.

Finally, we would like to note that Professor Arado exemplifies what it means to be a member of the Academy. She is an outstanding professor who understands the importance of education, advocacy, and university politics. We also see her as a bit of a card shark who recognizes any perceived administrative “bottom dealing.” We encourage you to give her nomination sincere consideration. Professor Therese Arado is deserving of the Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award.
Faculty Eligible to Serve as
Executive Secretary, University Council/President, Faculty Senate
2016-17

Terry Bishop, Business
Mark Riley, Business
Cynthia Campbell, Education
Laura Hedin, Education
Carolyn Vander Schee, Education
William Penrod, Education
Gary Chen, Engineering & Engineering Technology
Greg Long, Health & Human Sciences
Cathy Carlson, Health & Human Sciences
Tom Pavkov, Health & Human Sciences
Anne Hanley, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Eric Mogren, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Sean Farrell, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Reed Scherer, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Helen Khoury, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Dhiman Chakraborty, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Linda Saborio, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Kendall Thu, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Doris Macdonald, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Virginia Naples, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Jana Brubaker, University Libraries
Janet Hathaway, Visual & Performing Arts
Kryssi Staikidis, Visual & Performing Arts
Barbara Jaffee, Visual & Performing Arts
NIU BYLAWS
ARTICLE 17: OTHER STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY

17.5 Faculty Representative to the Illinois Board of Higher Education

17.5.1 The Faculty Senate shall elect a tenured faculty member to serve on the Faculty Advisory Council to the Illinois Board of Higher Education. The person so elected shall serve a four-year, renewable term beginning at the start of the fall semester. The person shall receive annual compensation equal to one month of the median salary of all tenured faculty. If not otherwise a member, the person shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member of the Faculty Senate and the University Council.

The Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE meets monthly on Fridays. The meetings convene at 9 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 2:30-3 p.m. Each meeting is held at a different institution of higher education throughout the state. The person in this position is required to attend these monthly meetings on a regular, consistent basis (travel reimbursement is provided).

The person in this position also is expected to communicate to both Faculty Senate and University Council regarding issues related to the FAC and to NIU. Faculty Senate and University Council each meet monthly on Wednesdays at 3 p.m.