

FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, November 18, 2015, 3 p.m.
Holmes Student Center Sky Room

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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Arado, Azad, Beamer, Briscoe (for Mooney), Carlson, Cefaratti, Shakraborty, Chung, Conderman, Downing, Dugas, Feurer, Gilson, Glatz, Grund, Haji-Sheikh (for Demir), Hathaway, Hou, Hunt, Hurn (for Baker), Irwin, Jaekel, Jaffee, Kidder, Konen, Lichtman (for Than), Lonergan, Long, Macdonald, May, Millis, Moremen, Naples, Novak, Patro, Riley, Ryu, Saborio, Siegesmund, Slotsve, Staikidis, Stephen, Stoddard, Un

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Abdel-Motaleb, Allori, Arriola, Baker, Bishop, Brubaker, Bujarski, Campbell, Chen, Demir, Deng, Farrell, Giese, Hanley, Hedin, Khoury, Kim, Lee, Manning, Mogren, Mooney, Moraga, Penrod, Pitney, Rodgers, Rosenbaum, Scherer, Shin, Than, Thu, Xie

OTHERS PRESENT: Adeboje, Bryan, Douglass, Falkoff, Freedman, Haliczzer, Kearsing, Klapper, Parker, Streb

OTHERS ABSENT: Armstrong, Doederlein, Gebo, Levin, Nicholson, Shortridge, VandeCreek

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

T. Arado moved to accept the agenda, seconded by **G. Slotsve**. **P. Stoddard** noted that he had a brief Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee report. Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF THE [MINUTES](#) OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2015 FS MEETING

T. Arado moved to approve the minutes, seconded by **D. Macdonald**. Motion passed.

IV. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

For complete comments, see the [meeting transcript](#).

A. Student Athlete Academic Success – Matt Streb, Faculty Athletics Representative

V. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

A. Program Prioritization Update – Lisa Freeman, Provost

For complete comments, see the [meeting transcript](#).

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve FS/UC Rules, Governance and Elections Committee [roster](#) per NIU Bylaws Article 2.2.1 – Page 3

J. Stephen moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by **J. Novak**. Motion passed.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Proposed revisions to Faculty Senate Bylaws [Article 2](#),
Officers of the Faculty Senate –Pages 4-5
FIRST READING

For complete comments, see the [meeting transcript](#).

- B. Review of NIU Constitution and Bylaws – refer to Rules, Governance and Elections Committee

G. Slotsve: moved to refer this review to the Rules, Governance and Elections Committee, seconded by **D. Lonergan**. Motion passed.

IX. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES

- A. FAC to IBHE – Sonya Armstrong – no report
- B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees
Greg Long, Dan Gebo, Rebecca Shortridge, Leanne VandeCreek,
Deborah Haliczzer, Holly Nicholson – no report

X. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee – Paul Stoddard, Chair – 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 – no report
- E. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Laura Beamer, Liaison/Spokesperson – no report

XI. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

- A. Continued discussion and problem solving regarding faculty concerns

For complete comments, see the [meeting transcript](#).

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](#), Office of the Ombudsperson

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

J. Stephen moved to adjourn, seconded by **M. Haji-Sheikh**. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.