

**FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, September 6, 2017, 3 p.m.**  
**Holmes Student Center Sky Room**

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**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:** Arado, Azad, Baker, Bateni, Beamer, Bishop, Boughton, Bujarski, Buck, Carlson, G. Chen, J. Chen, Chitwood, Chomentowski, Creed, Demir, Duffin, Fredericks, Glatz, Grund, Haji-Sheikh, Hanna, Hathaway, Jaekel, Johnson, Johnston-Rodriguez, Krmeneč, Liu, May, McHone-Chase, Millhorn, Montana, Mooney, Moraga, Naples, Nejd, Newman, Novak, Plum, Powell, Rheineck, Riley, Rodgers, Ryu, Saborío, Schatteman, Schraufnagel, Shi, Sirotkin, Slotsve, Song, Staikidis, Surjadi, Than, Thu, Whedbee, Wilson, Zheng

**VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:** Briscoe, Chung, Hunt, Konen, Millis, Mogren, Patro, Penrod, Scherer, Stephen, Ward

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Barsema, Bryan, Coleman, Doederlein, Freeman, Gelman, Groza, Klaper, Torres

**OTHERS ABSENT:** Andree, Click

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Faculty Senate President **L. Saborío** called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

**II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**L. Beamer** moved to approve the agenda, seconded by **T. Arado**. Motion passed.

**III. APPROVAL OF THE [MINUTES](#) OF THE APRIL 26, 2017 FS MEETING**

**T. Arado** moved to approve the minutes, seconded by **L. Beamer**. Motion passed.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

**G. Slotsve** moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by **K. Thu**. Motion passed.

A. Approve the [2017-18 Faculty Senate Standing Committees](#) membership rosters per Faculty Senate Bylaws Article 3 – Page 4

B. Approve the [faculty members of the 2017-18 UC-Steering Committee](#) per NIU Bylaws Article 2.1.1 – Page 5

- C. Approve LAS-COMM Professor Ferald Bryan to serve as the 2017-18 Faculty Senate parliamentarian per Faculty Senate Bylaws Article 2.2
- D. Approve EDU-KNPE Professor Zachary Wahl-Alexander to serve a two-year term in an at-large faculty seat on the Parking Appeals Committee per committee membership guidelines
- E. Approve HHS-AHCD Professor Hamid Bateni and LAS-FLAL Professor Tharaphi Than to serve on the 2017-18 Ombudsperson Review Committee per NIU Bylaws Article 20.5.1

**V. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

- A. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee – Katy Jaekel, Chair – no report
- B. Academic Affairs Committee – Clanitra Stewart Nejd, Chair – no report
- C. Committee on the Economic Status of the Profession – Laura Beamer, Chair – no report
- D. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Keith Millis, Liaison/Spokesperson

**L. Saborío** explained that K. Millis could not be present due to illness, and T. Arado will lead the elections.

- 1. Election of University Council alternates – ballots will be distributed at the FS meeting

**T. Arado** distributed alternate ballots to faculty members from the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences be collected and tabulated following adjournment. Only these two colleges were required to vote in this process as they were the only colleges where the pool of potential alternates was greater than the number of University Council seats.

- 2. Election of Hearing Panel – ballots will be distributed at the FS meeting

**T. Arado** advised members to complete the ballots at their seats to be collected and tabulated following adjournment.

3. By-lot election of Faculty Grievance Panel members

**T. Arado** selected the following faculty members by-lot:

Doug Boughton, Art and Design  
Diane Rodgers, Sociology  
Hamid Bateni, Allied Health and Communicative Disorders  
Amy Newman, English  
Anita Maddali, College of Law  
Gleb Sirotkin, Mathematical Sciences  
Judith Chitwood, Theatre and Dance  
Jon Briscoe, Management  
Jie Song, Geographic and Atmospheric Sciences  
Andreas Glatz, Physics  
Sarah Johnston-Rodriguez, Special and Early Education  
Brian May, English  
Jim Millhorn, University Libraries  
Joseph Stephen, Mathematical Sciences  
Jie Chen, Nursing

4. Election of a Faculty Senate vice president per NIU Bylaws Article 2.2

**T. Arado** called for nominations from the floor. **K. Jaekel** nominated **G. Slotsve** to serve as vice president, seconded by **S. Mchone-Chase**. No other nominations were made. Members approved **G. Slotsve** to serve as vice president by voice vote.

5. Selection of one Faculty Senate member to serve as the Faculty Senate President's designee on the 2018 [BOT Professorship Award](#) Selection Committee.

Committee members review approximately 10 applications online, and the committee meets 2-3 times between November and February. The person selected to serve on this committee cannot be a candidate for the award, nor have submitted a nomination for the award. (Dhiman Chakraborty, Jimmie Manning and John Novak have served in previous years.)

**K. Thu** nominated **R. Powell**, and the nomination was seconded. No other nominations were made. Members approved **R. Powell** by voice vote.

- E. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Sarah McHone-Chase,  
Liaison/Spokesperson – no report

## **VI. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Welcome Remarks – Acting President Lisa Freeman

- B. Discussion of presidential search process  
Board of Trustees Chair Wheeler Coleman  
Board of Trustees Vice Chair Dennis Barsema
  - 1. Leadership qualifications  
What qualities should we be looking for in a president?
  - 2. Process  
What aspects of the last presidential search worked well?  
What would you like to see changed this time around?
  - 3. Timing  
When would you like to see us convene the presidential search?  
What considerations should we factor in as it relates to timing?

**VII. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION**

**VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**X. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

- A. FAC to IBHE – Paul Stoddard – no report
- B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – no report  
Barbara Andree, Cathy Doederlein, Alex Gelman,  
Mark Riley, Linda Saborío, Kendall Thu

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

- A. United Faculty Alliance update

**XII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- A. [Minutes](#), Academic Planning Council
- B. [Minutes](#), Athletic Board
- C. [Minutes](#), Baccalaureate Council
- D. [Minutes](#), Board of Trustees
- E. [Minutes](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- F. [Minutes](#), Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
- G. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- H. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council
- I. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council Curriculum Committee
- J. [Minutes](#), Honors Committee

- K. [Minutes](#), Operating Staff Council
- L. [Minutes](#), Supportive Professional Staff Council
- M. [Minutes](#), University Assessment Panel
- N. [Minutes](#), University Benefits Committee
- O. [Minutes](#), Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
- P. [Minutes](#), University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
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### **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.