

MINUTES

FACULTY SENATE
Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 3 p.m.
Barsema Alumni and Visitors Center
231 N. Annie Glidden Road
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Akst, Billingsly (for Cheyney), Bohanon, Books, Chomentowski, D. Collins, V. Collins, Creed, Duffin, Fredericks, Gorman, Grund, Hua, Isawi (for Hu), Ito, Johnson, Jong, Keddie, Lampi, Liberty, Lulinski, Maki, Marsh, McConkie, McGowan, McKee, Mellon, Montana, Montgomery, Moraga (for Chen), Nesterov, Nicholson (for Birch), Palese, Penkrot, Qin, Richter, Rossetti, Serowka, Sharp, Slotsve, Smith, Staikidis, Stange (for Hunter), Sullivan, Vahabzadeh, Valentiner, Whedbee

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Birch, Bradley, Bujarski, Carpenter, Chen, Cheyney, Chung, Clark, Demir, Duffrin, Engel, Haidar, Hu, Hunter, Knoll, Miguel, Qamar, Sirotkin, Vaezi

OTHERS PRESENT: Boston, Bryan, Flynn, Griffin, Groza, Howell, Ingram, McEvoy, Saborío

OTHERS ABSENT: Beyer, Falkoff, Ferguson, Jaekel

I. CALL TO ORDER

Faculty Senate President **P. Chomentowski** called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was verified.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

B. McGowan moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by **M. Stange**. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 23, 2022, MINUTES

F. Bohanon moved to approve the minutes, seconded by **V. Collins**. Motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. PROVOST’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIII. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

- A. Anti-Racism Statement – Presentation and Feedback
Tamara Boston, Project Coordinator
Division of Academic Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Joseph Flynn
Associate Director of Academic Affairs, Center for Black Studies
Associate Professor, Department of Curriculum and Instruction

- B. Strategic Enrollment Management 2.0
Beth Ingram, Executive Vice President and Provost

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Nominations for 2022-23 Faculty Senate president
Ben Creed, RGE/FS Liaison/Spokesperson

- Nominations for the office of Faculty Senate president will be taken from the Faculty Senate floor during the March 30 Faculty Senate meeting.
- Letters of acceptance of nomination are due by Friday, April 15, and can be emailed to Pat Erickson at pje@niu.edu.
- Letters of acceptance of nomination will be provided to Faculty Senate members via email by Wednesday, April 20, and also will be included in the April 27 Faculty Senate agenda packets.
- Election of the 2022-23 Faculty Senate president will be held during the April 27 Faculty Senate meeting.

G. Slotsve nominated **I. Montana**, seconded by **D. Collins**. Hearing no other nominations, the nominations were closed.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Proposed amendment to FS Bylaws, Article 2, Officers of the Faculty Senate
FIRST READING
Peter Chomentowski, Faculty Senate president

XII. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – report
Linda Saborío, NIU representative to FAC-IBHE
- B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees - report
Felicia Bohanon, Holly Nicholson, Peter Chomentowski
Katy Jaekel, Karen Whedbee, Greg Beyer
- C. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee – no report
- D. FS/UC Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – report
Ben Creed, RGE/FS Liaison/Spokesperson
 - 1. Cyberbullying Resources Project Update
- E. Social Justice Committee – report
Ismael Montana, Chair
- F. Student Government Association – report
Devlin Collins, President
Dallas Douglass, Speaker of the Senate
- G. Operating Staff Council – report
Natasha Johnson, Representative
Zac Birch, Representative
- H. Supportive Professional Staff Council – report
Felicia Bohanon, President
Stephanie Richter, Representative

XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. [Policy Library](#) – Comment on Proposed Policies (right-hand column on web page)
- B. [Minutes](#), Academic Planning Council
- C. [Minutes](#), Athletic Board
- D. [Minutes](#), Baccalaureate Council
- E. [Minutes](#), Board of Trustees
- F. [Minutes](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- G. [Minutes](#), Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience

- H. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- I. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council
- 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
- Q. FS meets monthly on Wednesdays, 3 p.m.
Spring 2022 meeting dates: Jan 26, Feb 23, Mar 30, Apr 27.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

M. Stange moved to adjourn, seconded by **D. Collins**. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.