

MINUTES

FACULTY SENATE
Wednesday, October 27, 2021, 3 p.m.
Altgeld Hall Auditorium, 2nd Floor
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Abdel-Motaleb, Akst, Bardolph, Bennett, Birch, Books, Carpenter, Cheyney, Chomentowski, D. Collins, V. Collins, Creed, Duffin, Fredericks, Gorman, Halverson, Hu, Ito, N. Johnson, John, Keddie, Kim, Knoll, Lampi, Liberty, Lulinski (for Berke), Maki, Marsh, McConkie, McGowan, Montana, Montgomery, Moraga (for Chen), Nesterov, O’Grady (for Bohanon), Palese, Penkrot, Petges, Qin, Richter, Rigert, Salimi (for Duffrin), Serowka, Sharp, Slotsve, M. Smith, Sullivan, Vaezi, Vahabzadeh, Valentiner, Whedbee

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Allori, Bohanon, Bujarski, Chen, Clark, Douglass, Duffrin, Grund, Hunter, Sirotken, Staikidis

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, Ellington, Griffin, Groza, Ingram, McEvoy, Paquette, Saborío, B. Smith

OTHERS ABSENT: Beyer, Falkoff, Ferguson, Jaekel

I. CALL TO ORDER

Faculty Senate President **P. Chomentowski** called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was verified.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

D. Halverson moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded and passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 29, 2021 MINUTES – Pages 4-7

D. Halverson moved to approve the minutes, seconded by **B. Creed**. Motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

- A. Student, Faculty and Staff Wellbeing and Resources
Timothy Paquette, Director, Counseling and Consultation Services
Brian Smith, Director, Employee Assistance Program

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Per FS Bylaws, Article 3, approve updates to 2021-22 Faculty Senate standing committee membership rosters – Pages 8-9

D. Valentiner moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded and passed.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Proposed amendment to FS Bylaws:
Article 2, Officers of the Faculty Senate
Article 8, Personnel Review Responsibilities
Article 14, Faculty and SPS Personnel Advisor
Pages 10-14
SECOND READING/VOTE
Peter Chomentowski, FS President

Following discussion, **N. Johnson** moved to postpone the vote on this proposal, seconded by **V. Collins**. Motion passed.

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. 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 – no report
Felicia Bohanon, Holly Nicholson, Peter Chomentowski
Katy Jaekel, Karen Whedbee, Greg Beyer
- C. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee – no report
Nancy Petges, Chair
- D. FS/UC Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report
Ben Creed, RGE/FS Liaison/Spokesperson
- E. Social Justice Committee – no report
Ismael Montana, Chair

- F. Student Government Association – report - report
Devlin Collins, President
Dallas Douglass, Speaker of the Senate
- G. Operating Staff Council – no report
Natasha Johnson, Representative
Zac Birch, Representative
- H. Supportive Professional Staff Council – no report
Felicia Bohanon, President
Stephanie Richter, Representative

XII. 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. in the Barsema Alumni & Visitors Center, 231 N. Annie Glidden Road, DeKalb.

2021-22 dates: Sep 1, Sep 29, Oct 27 (Altgeld Auditorium, 2nd floor), Nov 17, Jan 26, Feb 23, Mar 30, Apr 27.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

D. Halverson moved to adjourn, seconded by **I. Montana**. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.