MINUTES

FACULTY SENATE
Wednesday, November 17, 2021, 3 p.m.
Barsema Alumni and Visitors Center
231 N. Annie Glidden Road
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

Full transcript


VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Allori, Bennett, Bujarski, Carpenter, Chen, Grund, Halverson, N. Johnson, Lampi, Nesterov, Petges, Sirotkin, Vahabzadeh

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, Griffin, Groza, McEvoy, Streb

OTHERS ABSENT: Beyer, Falkoff, Ferguson, Jaekel, Saborío

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

D. Douglass moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by D. Collins. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 27, 2021, MINUTES

F. Bohanon 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. COVID-19 Updates
   Matt Streb, Chief of Staff to the President and Liaison to the BOT

B. Role of the NIU Ombudsperson
   Merlynette Griffin, Interim Ombudsperson

C. Journal Manuscript Peer Review and Publication Process Concerns
   Pete Chomentowski, President of Faculty Senate

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

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
   SECOND READING/VOTE
   Peter Chomentowski, FS President

   D. Serowka moved to approve the proposal, seconded by X. Hu. Motion failed.

   Yes – 21
   No – 9
   Abstain – 16

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – no 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
   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
   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

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 meeting dates: Sep 1, Sep 29, Oct 27 (Altgeld Auditorium), Nov 17, Jan 26,
   Feb 23, Mar 30, Apr 27.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

X. Hu moved to adjourn, seconded by B. Creed. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:47 p.m.