

MINUTES

FACULTY SENATE

Wednesday, January 25, 2023, 3 p.m.

Altgeld Hall Auditorium, 2nd Floor

Northern Illinois University

DeKalb, Illinois

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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Akst, Barrett, Berke, Bohanon, Books, Borre, Buck, Campbell, Chen, Cheyney, Chomentowski, Demir, Douglass, Duffin, Hartenhoff, Hu, Hunter, Jong, Kim, Konen, Liberty, Marsh, May, McConkie, McGowan, E. McKee, Mellon, Miguel, Montana, Mooberry, Naples, Nesterov, Nicholson, Palese, Puckett, Qin, Rejabi, Rogers, Rossetti, Saborío, Scanlon, Sharp, Sullivan, Vahabzadeh, Valentiner, Whedbee, Woods

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Allori, Clark, Duffrin, Gors, Ito, Johnson, Montgomery, Penkrot, Saiyed, Serowka, Shulman, Sirotkin, Slotsve, Vaezi

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, Falkoff, Ferguson, Guess, Hughes, Lee-Gordon, C. McKee, Radasanu, Schatteman, Williams

OTHERS ABSENT: Cripe

I. CALL TO ORDER

Faculty Senate (FS) President **I. Montana** called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was verified.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

D. Valentiner moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by **S. Marsh**. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 2022, MINUTES

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

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. PROVOST'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIII. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

- A. State Universities Retirement System Member Advisory Committee (SURSMAC) – Update
Peter Chomentowski – NIU academic representative
Liz Guess – NIU non-academic representative
- B. IT Security – presentation
Fred Williams, Senior Director of IT Infrastructure
- C. Baccalaureate Council – presentation
Omar Ghrayeb, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
Amanda Ferguson, Dept. of Management, Baccalaureate Council assistant chair

IX. FS-UC RULES, GOVERNANCE AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE – report
Lori Hartenhoff, FS/RGE Liaison/Spokesperson

- A. The Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award – call for nominations
Submit written letters of nomination to Faculty Senate President Ismael Montana no later than noon Wednesday, Feb. 15.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Proposed amendment to Faculty Senate Bylaws,
Article 4.6.3.1, Honors Committee, Student Membership
FIRST READING
Omar Ghrayeb, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
Andrea Radasanu, Assistant Vice Provost, University Honors Program
- B. Proposed amendment to Faculty Senate Bylaws,
Article 1, Membership of the Faculty Senate
FIRST READING
Ismael Montana, Faculty Senate President

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 – report
Felicia Bohanon, Holly Nicholson, Ismael Montana
Katy Jaekel, Karen Whedbee, Brad Cripe

- C. Social Justice Committee – report
David Valentiner, Chair
- D. Student Government Association – no report
Dallas Douglass, Speaker of the Senate
- E. Operating Staff Council – no report
Holly Nicholson, President
Natasha Johnson, OSC/FS representative
 - 1. What are some good strategies for advocacy for our constituents?
 - 2. What are some effective tactics for keeping our constituents informed?
- F. Supportive Professional Staff Council – report
Felicia Bohanon, President
Andrew Rogers, SPSC/FS 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 2022-23 dates: Jan 25, Feb 22, Mar 29, Apr 26

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

F. Bohanon moved to adjourn, seconded by **V. Naples**. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.