PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA – FACULTY SENATE

**Wednesday, January 22, 2025, 3 p.m.**

**Altgeld Hall Auditorium**

**Northern Illinois University**

**DeKalb, Illinois**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Verification of Quorum**

**III. Adoption of the Agenda**

**IV. Approval of the November 20, 2024, minutes –** Pages 3-5

**V. Public Comment**

**VI. Faculty Senate President’s Announcements**

**VII. Provost’s Announcements**

**VIII. Items for Faculty Senate Consideration**

A. Prevention, Education and Outreach & Social Justice Education

Rose Henton, Director, Prevention Education and Outreach

Junelle Bennett, Program Director, Prevention Education and Outreach

Ana Velazquez, Director, Equity and Justice Education

Amber Giffin, Assistant Director, Inclusion and Equity Education

B. NIU Football – Mountain West Conference

Courtney Hughes, Faculty Athletics Representative

George Middlemist, Chief Financial Officer

**IX. New Business**

A. Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award – Call for nominations – Page 6

Submit written letters of nomination to Faculty Senate President Ben Creed

no later than noon, Wednesday, Feb. 12.

**X. Reports from Councils, Boards and Standing Committees**

A. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – report

Tiffany Puckett, NIU representative to FAC-IBHE

B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – report

Felicia Bohanon, Natasha Johnson, Ben Creed

Brad Cripe, Larissa Garcia, Tom Skuzinski

C. Baccalaureate Council – no report

Alicia Schatteman, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

D. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee – no report

Therese Arado, Chair

E. Social Justice Committee – no report

Ben Creed, FS President

F. FS-UC Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report

Emily McKee, FS/RGE Liaison/Spokesperson

G. Student Government Association – report

Ja’kobe Jones, SGA President

Manny Corpuz, Speaker of the Senate

H. Operating Staff Council – report

Natasha Johnson, President

I. Supportive Professional Staff Council – report

Felicia Bohanon, President

**XI. Information Items**

A. [Policy Library](https://www.niu.edu/policies/) – Comment on Proposed Policies

B. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/university-council/committees/minutes/apc/index.shtml), Academic Planning Council

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F. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/university-council/committees/minutes/ciuae/index.shtml), Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience

G. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/university-council/committees/minutes/gec/index.shtml), General Education Committee

H [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/university-council/committees/minutes/gc/index.shtml), Graduate Council

I. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/university-council/committees/minutes/hc/index.shtml), Honors Committee

J. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/operating-staff-council/meetings/index.shtml), Operating Staff Council

K. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/spsc/meetings/index.shtml), Supportive Professional Staff Council

L. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/university-council/committees/minutes/uap/index.shtml), University Assessment Panel

M. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/university-council/committees/minutes/ubc/index.shtml), University Benefits Committee

N. [Minutes](https://www.niu.edu/university-council/committees/minutes/uciel/index.shtml), University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure

O. [Minutes](http://www.facibhe.org/meetings/minutes.php), Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE

P. 2024-25 FS meeting dates: Jan 22, Feb 19, Mar 26, Apr 23

**XII. Adjournment**

MINUTES – FACULTY SENATE

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**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:** Akst, Alex, Arado, Atkins, Barrett, Bender, Bohanon, Books, Brain, Burton, Cain, Campbell, Corpuz, Creed, Demir, Duffin, Ehsani, Finch, Fotovat, Ito, Lampi, Libman, Luo, McGowan, McKee, Mills, Naples, Novak, Nyunt, Oluwatobi, Palese, Rajabi, Ross, Sabio, Salehinia (for Vahabzadeh), Salimi, Sharp, Sirotkin, Slagstad, Slotsve, Staikidis, Stalcup, Swedlow, Thomas, Thurmaier, Van Wienen, VanTilburg, Whedbee, Woods, Yang

**VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:** Cefaratti, Chan, Chomentowski, Dada, Hartenhoff, Isawi, Nesterov, Sibley, Vahabzadeh, Wang

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Acardo, Elish-Piper, Falkoff, Gonzalez, Puckett, Schatteman

**OTHERS ABSENT:** Cripe, Garcia, Hughes, Notebaert, Skuzinski, Strid

**I. Call to Order**

Faculty Senate (FS) President **B. Creed** called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

**II. Verification of Quorum**

A quorum was established.

**III. Adoption of the Agenda**

**T. Arado** moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by **S. Stalcup.** Motion passed.

**IV. Approval of the October 30, 2024, 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. Annuitants Association

Toni Tollerud, President

Terry Borg, Vice President

B. Human Resource Services Presentation

John Acardo

Senior Associate Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer

**IX. New Business**

A. Approve search committee structure for Dean of the Graduate School per

~~FS~~ NIU Bylaws Article 10.3.2.1(B)

Laurie Elish-Piper, Executive Vice President and Provost

**G. Slotsve** moved to approve the search committee structure, seconded by

**J. Slagstad.** Motion passed.

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Q. [Fall 2024 Commencement](https://www.niu.edu/commencement/)

Graduate Commencement – Saturday, Dec. 14, 2024

Undergraduate Commencement – Sunday, Dec. 15, 2024

**XII. Adjournment**

**D. Valentiner** moved to adjourn, seconded by **D. VanTilburg.** Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award**

The Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award recognizes an NIU faculty member for special service to the faculty.

Submit written letters of nomination, identifying the reasons why the nominee should receive the award, to the Office of Faculty Senate no later than noon Wednesday, February 12, 2025. Those letters will be included in the February 19, 2025, meeting agenda packet, and the Faculty Senate will vote on the recipient at that meeting. The recipient will be honored at the March 26, 2025, meeting.

Award recipients are commemorated on a permanent plaque displayed in the Holmes Student Center, which includes the names of all recipients.

**Bob Lane Award Recipients**

Dave Ripley – 1995-1996

Ken Bowden – 1996-1997

Lorys Oddi – 1997-1998

Sherman Stanage – 1998-1999

Herbert Rubin – 1999-2000

Robert Suchner – 2000-2001

James King – 2001-2002

David Wagner – 2002-2003

Elizabeth Miller – 2003-2004

Joseph “Buck” Stephen – 2004-2005

Rosemary Feurer – 2009-2010

Charles Cappell – 2011-2012

George Slotsve – 2014-2015

Therese A. Clarke Arado – 2015-2016

Donna Munroe – 2016-2017

Kendall Thu – 2017-2018

Jim Wilson – 2018-2019

Fred Markowitz – 2019-2020

William J. Mills, III – 2020-2021

Cindy S. York – 2023-2024