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Minutes of the University Senate Meeting

March 5, 1992

1.

The March meeting of the University Senate was called to order at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, 1992, in room 7, Gamble Hall. Dean Engel presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Clifford, Thomas J.
Antes, James
Bender, Myron
Bostrom, Donald
Boyd, Robert
Clark, Alice
Dahl, Ivan
Dawes, Kenneth
Demers, Judy
Elsinga, Lillian
Engel, Dean
Frein, George H.
Gott, Gary
Hamerlik, Gerald

Hampsten, Elizabeth
Harris, Mary
Hein, David
Heitkamp, Thomasine
Henricksen, Mogens
Henry, Gordon
Hess, Carla Wulff
Irwin, Nathan
Kweit, Robert W.
Lawrence, W. Fred
Lee, Randy H.
Lewis, Robert
McKenzie, James
Munski, Douglas

Naismith, Donald P.
Nielsen, Monty
O'Kelly, Bernard
O'Kelly, Marcia
Owens, Thomas C.
Phillips, Monte
Poolman, James
Pynn, Ronald E.
Radonovich, Lewis
Sanborn, Patricia
Schubert, George W.
Tweton, D. Jerome
Williams, John A.
Zimmerman, Sonia

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Akers, Thomas
Becker, Keith
Beiswenger, Lyle
Berg, Mark
Berg, Shane
D'Andraia, Frank
Dallin, Stephanie
Davis, W. Jeremy
Devine, Gary
Franklin, Elizabeth
Gabrynowicz, Joanne
Gard, Betty
Hoffarth, Al
Hunter, Susan

Iseminger, Gordon
Jacobsen, Bruce
James, Edwim C.
Jechort, Daniel
Johnson, A. William
Kantrud, Alan
Karner, Frank R.
Knull, Harvey R.
Koozin, Timothy
Lang, Gretchen.
Lindholm, Lynn M.
McElroy-Edwards, J.
Merrill, Lois J.
Mikkelson, Mike

Moen, Janet Kelly
Muus, Dan
O'Donnell, Sheryl
Odegard, John
Raposo, Jorge
Shubert, Elliot
Tomasek, Henry J.
Vickrey, Barry
Volden, Cecilia
Wilborn, Graciela
Winrich, Lonny
Zellers, Kurt
Zimney, Kory

3.

Since a quorum was not present at 4:15, the Chair called for a question period. Mr. Kweit introduced Ken Nygard from NDSU who is the Chair of the North Dakota University System Council of College Faculties. Mr. Nygard explained the establishment of the Council in 1979 with two representatives serving from each college regardless of college size. Last year, a new constitution was proposed and needed approval from two-thirds of colleges in the system for ratification. Although nine of the eleven colleges ratified, the two largest, UND and NDSU, did not. Mr. Nygard stated that because these two schools represented the majority of the faculty, the constitution has now been revised taking representation into consideration and a school with 0-4% of the system faculty will have one representative; more than 4% but no more than 10% of system faculty, 2 representatives; and more than 10%, 3 representatives. He urged that the constitution be ratified and that we move forward.

4.

At this time, the meeting was called to order and the Chair made the following announcements: 1) A Writing Across the Curriculum meeting will be held on Thursday, March 26 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sioux Room of the Memorial Union; 2) Members named to serve on the Grievance Committee is implementing the policies on Academic Freedom, Tenure, Due Process and Promotion are: James Antes, Chair, Barry Vickrey, David Hein, Kristine Koozin and Mogens Henrikson; 3) The May meeting of the Senate has been moved to Thursday, April 30 since the first Thursday in May is during final examination week; and 4) Mr. Poolman announced that the new Student Body President is Maria Effertz and the Vice President is Mark Berg.

5.

The Chair asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the February meeting. There being none, he declared the minutes approved as distributed.

6.

Mr. Nielsen moved to receive and file the annual report of the Administrative Procedures Committee. Mr. Naismith seconded the motion. There being no objection, the report was received and filed.

7.

Mr. Nielsen moved to receive and file the annual report of the Student Academic Standards Committee. Mr. Poolman seconded the motion. There being no objection, the report was received and filed.

8.

Mr. Kweit moved to receive and file the annual report of the Admissions Committee. Mr. Irwin seconded the motion. Mr. Nielsen stated that to clarify the second sentence under the heading, Exemptions to Core Curriculum Requirements, the word, "should," should be changed to "may." Ms. DeMers, a member of the Admissions Committee, moved to amend the report so that the sentence would read: The SBOHE has indicated that each institution may grant an unspecified number of exemptions to the requirements. Mr. Kweit seconded the motion to amend. There being no objection to the amendment, the original motion, as amended, was voted upon and carried unanimously.

9.

Tom Robinson, Chair of the Compensation Committee reported on proposed initiated measures circulated by Dr. Russell Odegard of Minot, pertaining to state employees. The measures are:

- Measure #1. Cut ND sales tax from 5% to 4%
Cut farm machinery tax from 3% to 2%
Result: Cut \$30 million revenue

- Measure #2. Cut ND Income Tax from 14% to 10.5% of Federal
Result: Cut \$50 million revenue

- Measure #3. Non-resident hike (from \$120 to \$180)
Resident tuition freeze (\$60 to \$40)
Result: Cut \$7 million revenue

- Measure #4. Cut State Family Plan premium for health
insurance employee' benefits
Cut 1/2 of state's contribution to retirement
Cut state holidays from 11 to 6
Result: These are lost benefits for state
employees
Cut Legislative health plan.

The cuts in taxes may look like a good deal but they represent a very small return to individual taxpayers while each public employee will see an immediate loss. He urged members of the Senate not to sign any petitions to add these measures to the ballot as they are bad news for all state employees and the employees of Higher Education are the hardest hit of all.

10.

Robert King, Chair of the Faculty Research Committee, presented the report of the Committee on Guidelines on Misconduct in Science Policy. Mr. Lee moved that the Guidelines be referred back to the Senate with the recommendation that

the Senate appoint a committee to develop a new policy statement and that the current policy remain in effect until a new policy is adopted. Mr. Dawes seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Mr. Kweit moved that the policy be referred back to the Faculty Research Committee for development. The motion was seconded.

11.

The Chair was informed that there was no longer a quorum present and he declared the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. He then invited the members to remain to hear the report of the Presidential Search Committee. Ms. Hampsten requested that the Senators voice their opinions on the Constitution of the Council of College Faculties for Mr. Nygard's information. Mr. Lee responded from the ad hoc Committee on System Governance Structure and recommended that the Senate not ratify the Constitution, and gave reasons for that recommendation. Ms. Clark requested that these reasons, given on the Committee's behalf, be filed with the Senate reports.

12.

Sara Hanhan, Chair of the Presidential Search Committee reviewed the proceedings of the Committee, named the seven finalists and the dates of the candidates' campus visits, which will be held from March 15 through April 10. At the conclusion of the visits, the committee will meet and send three names, unranked, to the State Board of Higher Education. The Board plans to interview the candidates on April 24.

Monty Nielsen
Secretary