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## Minutes of the University Senate Meeting

February 1, 2001

The February meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:08 p.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2001, in room 7, Gamble Hall. Randy Lee presided.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Berger, Kristy Boyd, Robert Cleveland, Mike Davis, W. Jeremy DeMers, Judy Elbert, Dennis Elsinga, Lillian Erickson, Daniel Ettling, John Even, Brock Fox, Carl Goodwin, Janice Nelson, Berly Zierdt, Candace Greves, Cole Nelson, Enrique Zupher, Christop Grijalva, James

Hoffmann, Mark Holdman, Linda Hume, Wendelin Jackson, Jon Jeno, Susan Krogh, Nancy Kweit, Robert Lang, Gretchen Lee, Randy Nelson, Theron

Nichols, Elizabeth Norton, Theresa Olsen, Glenn Owens, Thomas Pederson, Randy Poochigian, Donald Robertson, Charles Shaeffer, James Skramstad, Allan Lindseth, Glenda Smith, Bruce Lowe, D. Scott Timmerman, Larry Frost, Chris Mabey, Renee Todhunter, Paul Gabrynowicz, Joanne Mann, Michael Tschacher, Walter Gallager, Robert Munski, Douglas Yurkovich, Eleanor Zupher, Christopher

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Bagheri, Fathollah Matthews, Jason Stolt, Wilbur Bass, Gerald Moen, Janet Towne, Gary Drewes, Mary Petros, Thomas Undlin, Heather Fivizzani, Albert Rankin, Elizabeth Wellcome, Dan Johnson, Arnold Rice, Daniel Wilson, H. David Khavanin, Mohammad Schletty, Chris Yurkovich, Eleanor Kraidy, Marwan Smart, Kathy

Amjad, Sabrina Kupchella, Charles Stofferahn, Curtis

The following announcements were made by Mr. Lee:

- A. Senators who missed the Senate-sponsored strategic planning forum on January 30 in Burtness may still attend a forum. Two remain:
  - Feb. 8, 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM in the Old Bookstore area of the Memorial Union; and
    - Feb. 13, 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM in the Odegard Hall Atmospherium.

President Kupchella has specifically requested that the Senate review the draft plan. Mr. Lee indicated he will ask the faculty on the Restructuring and Reallocation Committee to review and recommend action to this body. That will be a committee of four. [There was no objection.]

- B. A Student Senate Resolution was distributed, and Mr. Lee announced that the students seek a review of an aspect of student evaluation of courses and instruction. The Chair will appoint an ad hoc committee, and he intends to invite participation from the Provost's Office and from Student Government. As there are many faculty interested in these evaluation processes, the Chair, therefore, asked anyone interested in service on this committee to let him know soon. If there are no volunteers, the Chair will make requests.
- C. At the last meeting, President Kupchella asked the Senate for ideas regarding the proposals for new tuition calculation matrices. Mr. Lee asked for volunteers to study the matter and recommend to the Senate any advice it believes should be passed on to the President. If there are no volunteers, the Chair will make requests.
- D. At the last meeting, the President noted that the Board's new faculty sick leave policy meant that he would now need to study what UND's policy will be, and he requested participation and recommendation. With the concurrence of the Executive Committee, the Chair announced that item will be referred at once to the Compensation Committee for review and recommendation.
- E. The Dean of Students has requested Senate participation in an effort to give attention to our academic honesty/integrity policy in the Code of Student Life. The Executive Committee has determined that the existing committees most logically concerned in those matters are already overloaded; therefore, the Chair asked for volunteers. The Senate's voluntary representatives will sit with an informal working group gathered by the Dean of Students and, with cooperation past and future from Provost Ettling's office, present to the entire

campus any reforms thought proper. As any such reform would be a change to current text in the Code of Student Life, the Senate would see and review it before it is published.

- F. The President at our last meeting included the Senate among those he has looked to for ideas and advice on meeting the December command of the Board regarding Native American programs and programs of benefit to Native Americans. Mr. Lee stated that in the view of the Executive Committee, the President's own advisory committee on diversity-PAC-D-should be the organizer and reporter for that effort, and, therefore, it was suggested that Senators with advice or ideas in that area should report them directly to the President and/or PAC-D. Mr. Lee said that he will not ignore any Senator's request to put a motion or resolution on the agenda. None has been received. Nor was it suggested that to the extent any initiatives involve the academic curriculum, we would not have our usual involvement in that review.
- G. The Chair invited other announcements. None were offered.

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The Chair asked if there were additions or corrections to the minutes of the January 11, 2001 meeting. There being none, the minutes were approved as distributed.

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The Chair introduced the Question Period. Hearing none, it was closed. rational personal at the grant of

On behalf of the Honorary Degrees Committee, Mr. Ettling recommended three candidates for Honorary Degrees. Mr. Boyd moved to approve the three nominations. Mr. Kweit seconded the motion, and it was voted upon and carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Nancy Krogh, Secretary