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Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
November 7, 2019

1.

The November meeting of the University Senate was held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 7, 2019 in Room 113, Education. Chair Jeffrey VanLooy presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Alberts, Crystal	Iseminger, Colt	Oltz, Tammy
Bailey, Tamba-Kuui	Jendrysik, Mark	Orvedal, Casey
Bateman, Connie	Juntunen, Cindy	Petros, Tom
Carlson, Craig	Kassow, Benjamin	Pierce, David
Delhommelle, Jerome	Kaste, Grant	Robinson, Julie
DiLorenzo, Thomas	Keengwe, Jared	Shivers, Jed
Dodge, Michael	Khavanin, Mohammad	Shogren, Maridee
Du, Guodong	Kolodka, Edward	Sum, Paul
Eilts, Caleb	Legerski, Elizabeth	Ternus, Matthew
Gable, Christopher	Lian, Gracie	Thorson, Erika
Gilbertson, Ryan	Linder, Meloney	VanLooy, Jeff
Gjellstad, Melissa	Lindseth, Paul	Walker, Stephanie
Gosnold, William	Liu, Jun	Wasylow, Megan
Halcrow, Steven	Meek, Steve	Wild, Brandon
Halgren, Cara	Mochoruk, James	Wolfgram, Meaghan
Henley, Amy	Munski, Doug	Yang, Cai Xia
Hume, Wendelin	Nonte, Stephen	
Iiams, Michele	Olson, Devon	

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Bjerke, Elizabeth	Maine, Whitney	Rundquist, Bradley
Blackburn, Royce	Matz, Adam	Sauer, Michelle
Clauson, Tyler	McGinniss, Mike	Self, Noah
Correll, Scott	McLean, Riley	Sens, Donald
Dusenbury, Mark	Mihelich, John	Sens, Mary Ann
Ernst, Julia	Millspaugh, Richard	Tande, Brian
Gjerde, Quinten	Murphy, Eric	Tavakolian, Kouhyar
Heitkamp, Thomasine	Mussehl, Anthony	Wilson, Nick
Hoffmann, Mark	Neubert, Jeremiah	Wynne, Joshua
Jeno, Susan	Oancea, Cristina	Zhao, Julia
Kostrzewski, Diana	Pedersen, Daphne	

4.

Mr. VanLooy called attention to the Presidential candidate visits and emphasized the importance of these forums. Each candidate will have a forum and he encouraged the Senators to attend. He also encouraged those attending to have questions prepared. Mr. VanLooy reported on the location of the forums and explained that it was set up to encourage as much exposure to candidates as possible.

Ms. Legerski gave an update on behalf of the Council of College Faculties (CCF). She reported that CCF is working on the 401.2 policy on political activity and are hoping to implement the updated policy in time for the next political cycle.

Ms. Legerski also reported on a letter of support being drafted to the State Board of Higher Education regarding pay levels at several institutions that aren't at market level.

Ms. Wasylow, Staff Senate Vice President, gave an update on the 31 Days of Glory raffle tickets.

Ms. Lian, Student Government President, announced the student forums for the presidential candidates. She reported that the Memorial Union architects are close to finalizing concepts. A permanent internship position with the city of GF is available. Ms. Lian also reported that the Student Senate passed a resolution to support endorsement of the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

As a follow-up to the last Senate meeting, the Provost reported that the trademark and the Dakota Legacy Line were reviewed with general counsel. He stated that we don't want to lose ownership of the Sioux logo. Vice President Linder and Athletic Director Chavez are working on the issue and more will be presented to the Senate after the first of the year.

5.

Quorum was established.

6.

Without objection, the minutes from the October 3, 2019 University Senate meeting were approved.

7.

Ms. Halgren introduced the Land Acknowledgement Statement, stating that it was on the business calendar for the Senate's endorsement.

8.

Mr. VanLooy brought attention to the need for questions for the presidential candidate forums. Fred Wittmann requested that the Senate put some questions together from faculty. Mr. VanLooy reported that approximately 35 questions were submitted. The Senate Executive Committee chose four questions to be asked of each candidate.

9.

The question period opened at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Petros asked if parking enforcement could be suspended around Gorecki for the presidential forums to encourage attendance. Mr. Shivers will follow-up.

It was asked if the presidential candidates will receive the questions ahead of time. Mr. VanLooy replied that it has not been decided yet.

Mr. Lindseth suggested RAIN and other Native American programs be included in Question 3 for the presidential candidates. Mr. VanLooy replied that they would take that under consideration.

Mr. Wild asked if other colleges should be included in the question regarding tenure and not just A&S.

Ms. Alberts asked Stacey Borboa-Peterson to address the Land Acknowledgement Statement. Ms. Borboa-Peterson gave a brief presentation on the process for drafting the statement and explained that it involves the Lands that UND resides on. She explained that time spent with tribal communities and working with campus indigenous students, staff and faculty and those involved with

those programs helped to shape the Statement. It will be read at the beginning of ceremonies and events at UND. Ms. Borboa-Peterson stated that the final decision will be made by the President.

Ms. Henley requested that Question 2 be reworded to include all colleges. Mr VanLooy will update.

Mr. Wild asked about the F&A rates going to 41% for research. Mr. Shivers stated that should not affect the ability to get grants. UND's rate is actually low. He stated that the goal is to raise the rate as it generates higher operating funds for the University. Ms. Alberts felt it would impact A&S and its ability to be competitive with grants. She also felt it would impact budget negotiations, i.e., the ability to pay graduate students, etc.

Ms. Alberts stated that she has heard rumors that summer orientation is either going away or moving entirely online. The Provost requested someone from Student Academic Success attend the next meeting to provide information.

The question period ended at 4:19 p.m.

10.

The Senate Honors Committee and the Senate University Assessment Committee annual reports were accepted and filed.

11.

Mr. VanLooy called attention to the proposed changes to the Essential Studies Policy Manual. A motion was made by Mr. Jendrysik to accept, Mr. Munski seconded, and the motion carried.

12.

Mr. VanLooy called attention to the proposed University Assessment Committee rules changes. A motion was made by Mr. Mochoruk to accept, a second was made by Mr. Munski, and the motion carried.

13.

Mr. VanLooy called attention to the endorsement of the Land Acknowledgement Statement. A motion was made by Mr. Mochoruk to endorse the statement. A second was made by Ms. Alberts, and the motion carried.

14.

Mr. VanLooy called attention the University Curriculum Committee Report. Mr. Jendrysik made a motion to accept the report. Mr. Wild seconded and the motion carried.

15.

The meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Joan Enlow for Scott Correll
Secretary, University Senate