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Minutes of the University Senate Meeting February 3, 2022

1.

The February meeting of the University Senate was held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 3, 2022, via Zoom Conference. Chair Cristina Oancea presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Adjekum, Daniel Jedlicka, Janet
Armacost, Andy Jendrysik, Mark
Bartz, Jeremiah Jordan, Rachel
Brandt, Sonja Juntunen, Cindy
Cherry Oliver, Emily Kalbfleisch, Pamela
Chu, Qianli Karikari, Isaac Chu, Qianli Clark, Travis Clark, Travis

Correll, Scott

Cox, Paula

Dauphinais, Kirsten

Denny, Dawn

Dorafshan, Sattar

Doze, Van

Kehn, Andre

Kitzes, Adam

Kraus, Robert

Laguette, Soizik

Liang, Lewis

Lim, Howe

Linder, Meloney Dutchak, Dawson Gjellstad, Melissa Halcrow, Steven Hammond, Sean Helleloid, Duane Hellwig, Beth Homstad, Stephanie Hume, Wendelin Iseminger, Colt

Kehn, Andre Link, Eric Liu, Jun Mamaghani, Iraj Matz, Adam Mihelich, John Milavetz, Barry Munski, Douglas Myers, Brad Newman, Robert

Nonte, Stephen Oancea, Cristina Pedersen, Daphne Peterson, Karen Petros, Tom Redvers, Nicole Reedy, Kaelan Reissig, Brad Rozelle-Stone, Rebecca Rundquist, Brad Schill, Brian Schlenker, Jared Shivers, Jed VanLooy, Jeffrey Wahl, Faith Walker, Stephanie Weber, Bret Wilson, Nick Wise, Richard Worley, Deborah Xiao, Feng Zerr, Ryan

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Blace, Sadie Carter, Payton Crotty, Tyanne Feehery, DJ Henley, Amy Henneman, Emily

Johnson, Erika Light, Steve McGinniss, Mike Perkins, Dexter Petritsch, Timothy Spaeth, Andria

Strand, Skyler Stroup, Kale Tande, Brian Wynne, Joshua

Mr. Zencheck, Mr. Shivers, Ms. Mongeon-Stewart, and Mr. Krause discussed the future path of UND recruitment. The goal is to use Jaggaer to the highest level for the benefit of the university community helping all units to secure goods and services in an efficient and effective manner. Most of our purchasing still occurs outside of Jaggaer. There are changes in procurement assignments among the Payment and Procurement Services team. The plan is to hire a new chief procurement officer to replace Jana Thompson. Jaggaer will be rebranded as UND Marketplace with a new look and feel.

5.

Ms. Borboa-Peterson and Ms. Nelson presented on their progress as co-leads for the Higher Learning Commission, Criterion 1. They are meeting bi-weekly and gathering evidence on how the mission of UND is clear and articulated guiding our operations. Writing will begin in late spring.

6.

Mr. Dodge and Ms. Look presented on their progress as co-leads for the Higher Learning Commission, Criterion 2. They are meeting bi-monthly and collecting artifacts in the TEAMS platform.

7.

Ms. Oancea reminded the University Senate of the Senate Committees' annual report deadlines:

- 1. Due Sept. 23rd, 2021 (overdue): Compensation
- 2. Due Oct. 21st, 2021 (overdue): Essential Studies, Honorary Degrees, Standing Committee on Faculty Rights
- 3. Due Nov. 18th, 2021 (overdue): Legislative Affairs
- 4. Due Feb. 17, 2022: Administrative Procedures, Intellectual Property, Student Academic Standards
- 5. Due Mar. 24, 2022: Committee on Committees, Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct, Curriculum, Intercollegiate Athletics
- 6. Due Apr. 21, 2022: Budget, Online & Distance Education, Scholarly Activities

8.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the guidance on Senate Bill 2030. Ms. Legerski and Mr. Millspaugh outlined the opinion and shared that students participation in internships are not affected by this bill.

9.

Mr. Millspaugh provided an update from the Council of College Faculties. The committee on the pursuit of evaluation of administration. There will be some upcoming changes to the bi-laws including retaining the past chair as a consultant to the group for one year.

Mr. Schill provided an update from Staff Senate. The Tubs of Love fundraiser is underway. Elections for next year occur in April.

11.

Mr. Reedy provided a Student Government update. Student Senate is looking at increased transportation option for students as well as the development of a student portal. Please share any student experience ideas with me.

12.

Mr. Link thank those for the HLC reaccreditation work.

This past Tuesday the university was closed to inclement weather. It is a collective decision from many university entities. There is a policy regarding the change of operating status. It is available in PolicyStat.

The news is good on spring 2022 enrollment. Headcount is up, but semester credit hours are down 0.43%.

There are growth in new freshmen, transfer, and graduate application for fall 2022.

An interim dean for nursing and professional disciplines will be appointing soon. There are interviews this week for this appointment. The search for a permanent position is underway and first-round interviews will take place late February.

The school of law dean search is also underway. First-round interviews will take place in early March.

The search for the dean of graduate studies will begin soon. The document was distributed to the University Senate. The kickoff meeting will be held next week.

There will be a search for a vice provost for faculty affairs in the Office of the Provost. The document was also distributed to the University Senate. This position will be dedicated to supporting faculty and faculty development.

The provost has been debriefing on the UND Commencement from December 2022.

The Merrifield-Twamley project is underway. There will be additional feedback opportunities before plans are finalized.

13.

Quorum was established.

14.

Without objection, the minutes from December 2, 2021, University Senate meeting were filed.

Ms. Oancea reported from the Senate Executive Committee in January. The SEC approved the assessment process for Essential Studies, the constitution change for the Council of College Faculties, and changes to the Faculty Handbook all of which appear on the business calendar.

16.

The 20 minute question and answer period began at 4:43pm. Mr. Weber asked about closing Grand Forks Public Schools and UND, would an independent body be advisable. Mr. Link stated there was not currently one, but UND would want to preserve their independence. Mr. Jendrysik asked if we could incentivize faculty to attend graduation. Mr. Link hopes that faculty would want to participate. Mr. Reedy asked when the new senate committees would get started. Ms. Legerski stated we hold elections in the spring. Ms. Cheery Oliver asked about the results of the Task Force on the Future of Higher Education survey. Mr. Link stated that survey data is published on the UND website. Mr. Myers asked if an in-person class could be held online during closures. Mr. Link stated that classes are cancelled. Ms. Gjellstad asked about the graduate dean being internal verses the vice provost of faculty affairs. Mr. Link stated based on feedback there is enough talent on campus for this position. The question period ended at 4:52pm.

17.

Mr. Jendrysik moved to extend the meeting by 10 minutes. Mr. Weber seconded the motion. The motion carried.

18.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the annual report of the Senate Library committee. Without objection, it was filed.

19.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the annual report of the Academic Policies and Admission committee. Without objection, it was filed.

20.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the February 2022 University Senate Curriculum Report. Without objection, it was filed.

21.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the 2022 Honorary Degree Candidates. Mr. Milavetz moved to approve the first candidate. Mr. Weber seconded. The candidate was approved. Ms. Kalb moved to approve the seconded candidate. Mr. Milavetz seconded. The second candidate was approved.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the Council of College Faculties constitution change. Mr. Munski moved to approved. Mr. Milavetz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

23.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the Essential Studies Assessment Process change. Mr. Milavetz moved to approve. Mr. Adjekum seconded. The motion carried.

24.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the Faculty Handbook Committee changes for EEO and Title IX. Mr. Munski moved to approved. Mr. Adjekum seconded. The motion carried.

25.

The meeting adjourned at 5:04pm.

Scott Correll, Secretary University Senate