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## Minutes of the University Senate Meeting February 2, 2022

1.

The September meeting of the University Senate was held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 2, 2023, via Zoom Conference. Chair Bob Newman presided.

2.

### The following members of the Senate were present:

Adjekum, Daniel Alberts, Crystal Armacost, Andy Azizova, Zarrina Bjorgaard, Stacy Clark, Travis Correll, Scott Cox, Paula Dada, Precious Dahlke, Rachel Denny, Dawn de Silva, Renuka Dhungana, Bebas Dockter, Sally Doze, Van Germolus, Isaiah Gjellstad, Melissa Gupta, Surojit Halcrow, Steven Henley, Amy Homstad, Stephanie Iseminger, Colt Jendrysik, Mark

Ji, Yun Jordan, Rachel Juntunen, Cindy Kalbfleisch, Pamela Kehn, Andre Kinney, Anna Marie Kraus, Robert Laguette, Soizik Lawson-Body, Assion Legerski, Elizabeth Light, Steve Linder, Meloney Lindseth, Glenda Link, Eric Liu, Jun Malloy, Art Marquis, Jared Maskaly, Jonathan Masursky, Danielle Mattingly, Shaina Mongeon-Stewart, Karla Newman, Robert Peterson, Karen

Robinson, Sarah Rundquist, Brad Running Bear, Ursula Seddoh, Amebu Sheridan, Bill Shogren, Maridee Singhal, Sandeep Smart, Kathy Spaeth, Andria Sperle, James Stone, Lucian Traynor, Paul Tulin, Alexei Urban, Shanna Wahl, Faith Weber, Bret Wild, Brandon Wilson, Nick Wise, Richard Wynne, Joshua Zerr, Ryan

3.

### The following members of the Senate were absent:

Berry, Whitney
Cook, Jennifer
Crotty, Tyanne
Emter, Adelyn
Fiedler, Kianna
Henneman, Emily
Kuznicki, Malissa
Mamaghani, Iraj

Mastrud, Morgan Mihelich, John Milavetz, Barry Mosher, Sarah Niemi, Tyler Olson, Katlyn Pappas, Brian Pokornowski, Alex

Rajpathy, Odele Sela, Sapir Strand, Skyler Tande, Brian Wallace, Alfred Mr. Newman introduced Dr. Art Malloy, Vice President of Student Affairs. Mr. Malloy thanked everyone for the warm welcome.

5.

Mr. Newman introduced Dr. Randi Lynn Tanglen, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs. Ms. Tanglen also thanked everyone for a warm welcome.

6.

Mr. Armacost provided legislative session updates. Mr. Armacost stated we try to provide good updates to our legislatures regarding bills that affect higher education. All of the NDUS presidents meet each Friday to discuss current bills that are introduced. HB1003, or the appropriations bill, is being considered. UND would like a 6% and a 4% pay raise to be covered by state dollars. UND is asking for a 7% increase in base funding to cover inflation. UND will be studying our science and allied health facilities. Mr. Armacost called attention to the tenure bill. The legislature member who introduced the bill wants to move it forward. UND's stance is the current system works well and that there is no need for change. There is also a bill on concealed carry measures on college campuses. UND's stance is that weapons do not belong on campus. There is a bill on Title IX and retaliation. False claims could become illegal and punishable. is a bill on pronoun usage. There is also a bill about what library materials that may be prohibited. Mr. Armacost reminded everyone if they want to testify to the legislature they are welcome to do so as an individual entity, but not as a UND spokesperson.

7.

Mr. Munski provide a Council of College Faculties update. The CCF met in emergency session this past Tuesday wants to seek changes to the bill undermining tenure. There are already policies and procedures in place at NDUS institutions.

8.

Ms. Cox provide a Staff Senate update. Staff Senate is also keeping up on legislative bills. Staff Senate is looking for volunteers for a community involvement event.

9.

Ms. Wahl provided an update from Student Government. Ms. Wahl expressed gratitude for all the hard work on the new strategic plan. The student government submitted testimony on concealed carry as well as the appropriations bill. There are some off campus events planned

to distribute Naloxone to community members. Some Student Government money will be used to purchase indigenous art for campus.

10.

Mr. Link provided the following updates. Enrollment looks good for the spring semester with upward trends in headcount. SCH, however, is slightly down. The School of Graduate Studies held there annual 3-minute thesis championship last week. There have been lots of students at UND receiving national awards. Please check out all the work coming out of TTaDA. Please welcome Dr. Tanglen. A new library dean will be joining us in April. The search for a new Essential Studies Director will launch soon. The recruitment will be an internal search. The position will be a 60% administrative workload, and 40% for teaching, research, and service.

11.

Ms. Mongeon-Stewart provided an update from the Vice President for Finance and Operations office. The facilities staff has remained busy with the cold and snowy weather. It has been difficult to fill BST positions, which is why removing our own office trash is still continuing. There was not a parking committee meeting last month; thus, no updates. This year's final budget will be delayed due to the legislative session.

12.

Ms. Krenelka discussed AI/ChatGPT. It is a chat bot that was launched last year. It is an educational tool that provides feedback to students. It is here to stay, and we should learn to use it to maximize student learning.

13.

Mr. Newman stated the following reports are due from senate committees:

Academic Policies & Admissions, January  $19^{\rm th}$  DEI, January  $19^{\rm th}$ 

Administrative Procedures, February 16<sup>th</sup> Essential Studies, February 16<sup>th</sup> Intellectual Property, February 16<sup>th</sup>

14.

Quorum was established.

Without objections, the minutes from the December 1, 2022, senate meeting were approved.

16.

Mr. Newman provide a report from the Senate Executive Committee. There is a web page on the UND website with legislative issues affecting higher education. There is an ad hoc UND/NDSU senate leadership coordinating committee. A University Council meeting will be held on April 24, 2023, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

17.

The twenty minute Question and Answer period began at 4:21 p.m. Ms. Alberts asked about drafting a resolution to thank former Assistant Attorney General, Jason Jenkins for his service to UND. Ms. Alberts will draft a resolution. The question period ended at 4:23 p.m.

18.

Mr. Newman called attention to the FIDC annual report. Without objection, the report was filed.

19.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Curriculum Committee Approvals report. Without objection, the report was filed.

20.

Mr. Newman called attention to the nominated honorary degree candidates. Mr. Jendrysik moved to approve the first candidate. Ms. Smart seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion carried. Mr. Sheridan moved to approve the second candidate. Ms. Smart seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion carried.

21.

Mr. Newman called attention to the previous testimony on HB1446 including the text language and the Council of College Faculties response. Mr. Newman presented a University Senate response. Mr. Sheridan moved to approve the UND response. Ms. Alberts seconded the motion. A discussion ensued. Many possible pathways were discussed. Ms. Alberts needed to depart. Ms. Smart accepted the second position. The motion carried.

22.

Ms. Kalbfleisch moved to extend the meeting to 5:20 p.m. Ms. Smart seconded. The motion carried.

There were no matters arising.

24.

The meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Scott Correll, Secretary University Senate