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Minutes of the University Senate Meeting February 7, 2008 Los Bourd documents

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The February meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, February 7, 2008 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Tom Petros presided. parklet. Me. Deller sodern serven sbadkrute servelet pr. Me. Alek Llow servene in ektomierse sez. Weentieke sek streek i der setten

The following members of the Senate were present:

Anderson, Collin Ghribi, Othman Marshall, David Anderson, Katherine Gordon, Gregory Mayzer, Roni Anderson, Suzanne Gourneau, Bonni Melland, Helen Axtman, Benjamin Grandstrand, Tyrone Mertz, Tara Baker, Mary Grant, Emanuel Moen, Jan Bass, Gail Haskins, James Murphy, Eric Behrmann, William Hoffarth, Janice Myrick, Matthew Benoit, Joseph Hume, Wendelin Nelson, Susan
Berne, Jane Hunter, Susan Perkins, Dexter
Boyd, Robert Iiams, Michele Petros, Thomas Broedel, Hans Iverson, Joneen Reza, Hassan Buhr, Jordan Jackson, Jon Rice, Daniel Campbell, Katherine Jackson, Margaret Richards, Thomas Covington, Chandice Jerath, Sukhvarsh Rieke, Judy
Cripe, Haylee Johnson, Gary Rosenberger, Thad
DeMers, Judy Khavanin, Mohammad Sun, Jeffrey Doze, Van Kitzes, Adam Tepper, Nadine Elbert, Dennis Lawrence, David Watson, John Faruque, Saleh Little, Michael Widmer, Donovan Ferraro, Richard Liu, Rugao Fisher, Jay Mamaghani, Iraj Wu, Min

Wittgraf, Michael

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The following members of the Senate were absent:

Beneda, Nancy Berwald, Olaf

Kaler, Amanda Kupchella, Charles Schnellert, Gary Bradley, April LeBel, Paul Schwartz, Rhonda Drewes, Mary
Light, Steven
Smith, Bruce
Elsinga, Lillian
Lothspeich, Jason
Stolt, Wilbur
Gallager, Robert
Mortinson, Matthew
Graves, Corey
Poochigian, Donald
Wettersten, Kara Halvorson, Isaac Potvin, Martha Wilson, H. David Jeno, Sue Rendahl, Stephen

Riedy, Joshua

The following announcements were made:

- a. Mr. Petros announced that the March Senate meeting date needed to be changed due to spring break. The date recommended was the second Thursday in March, March 13.
- b. Mr. Jackson announced that the Higher Education Research Survey was sent out to campus. The information is needed for a report to the State Board

- of Higher Education. He encouraged completion of the survey because it is important to have responses from UND to inform the Board decisions.
- c. There was a Parking report from Jason Uhlir and Tom Lee. Mr. Uhlir made opening comments indicating that parking is a stand alone auxiliary at UND, i.e., the funding for parking is only from the users. He called attention to the parking handout, which included pro forma which was not for discussion but information only. Mr. Lee then shared information on ramp parking. Ms. DeMers made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Jackson to allow anyone in attendance to ask questions and speak. The motion was approved. There were questions and discussion on the parking ramp. Mr. Lee then moved on to explain the preferred parking pilot project for the Twamley and Burtness/Chandler parking lots. There was discussion by the Senators and visitors on the preferred parking concept with many concerns and suggestions. Mr. Petros asked Mr. Uhlir and Mr. Lee to come back with a report on the pilot and other parking information. They agreed to do so.
- d. Tom Steen and Lori Robison handed out information on the upcoming Essential Studies program. The program begins in Fall 2008 for new freshmen and Fall 2009 for new transfers. Mr. Steen asked for help from Senators on several items including: 1) when discussion comes up about Essential Studies, it is important to emphasize the value and importance of Essential Studies and liberal education rather than just taking courses to complete the requirements and ultimately devaluing Essential Studies; 2) it is important to find out who does not know about Essential Studies and inform them. He requested that Senators check with people in their departments; and 3) if faculty feel outside the process or if there are problems, please pass that on to the Essential Studies Task Force or General Education Requirements Committee. Mr. Steen then reminded the Senate about two workshops regarding Essential Studies on February 8 and April 11. He reminded the Senators that there will again be summer grants available through the Office of Instructional Development. Finally, departmental visits are available on the new Essential Studies program and the contact information is in the handout.

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The chair asked for corrections or additions to the January 10, 2008 minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as distributed.

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Due to lengthy discussion during the announcements, the question period was omitted.

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A motion was made by Mr. Haskins, and seconded by Mr. Murphy, to accept and file the Senate Summer Sessions Committee annual report. The motion was approved.

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Gary Towne, on behalf of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee, reported on the work of the Committee. The Committee met and reviewed three files for honorary degrees. Mr. Towne presented the three nominees requested approval by the Senate. Mr. Haskins moved that the three candidates be recommended for honorary degrees. There was a second by Mr. Buhr. The motion passed with a vote of 48 for and 2 abstentions.

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Chandice Covington reported on the work of the Maternity Benefit Task Force. The focus of the Task Force was maternity leave for faculty. Ms. Covington recommended the following motion for maternity leave: "A female faculty member who bears a child during the academic year is entitled to six weeks of paid maternity leave to commence immediately following the birth of her child." Mr. Jackson moved and Mr. Perkins seconded acceptance of the motion. There was discussion of births that occur when faculty are off contract and the need to clarify the policy. Due to loss of quorum, further discussion and action on the motion was postponed until the March meeting.

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The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Suzanne Anderson
Secretary to the Senate

Parking Update University Senate Meeting Thursday, February 6, 2008

I. Ramp

- A. Ramp Passes
 - 1. Total of 298 reserved access parking passes available to students, faculty, and staff.
 - 2. Annual student pass for \$250; faculty and staff pass for \$285.
 - 3. If space allows, monthly student pass will be offered for \$25; faculty and staff for \$30.
 - 4. We will be making price adjustments for those that bought a ramp pass last semester.
- B. There will be 163 spaces available for pay-as-you-go hourly parking. Starts at \$1.50 the first hour and each additional hour will be \$1 with a maximum charge of \$7 per day.
- C. Remaining 278 spaces available to students, faculty, and staff with a valid UND Parking permit for daily usage on a first come/first serve basis on levels 3, 4, and 5.
- D. Normal business hours are 5:00 AM 5:00 PM on Monday through Friday. From 5:00 PM to midnight and on weekends the ramp converts to a "G" zone. The only users allowed to stay past midnight are ramp permit holders or users that pull a ticket and display ticket on the dash.
- E. Tunnel allows access to the Memorial Union during the Union's hours of operations. 3rd floor skywalk across Columbia is now open.

II. Preferred Parking

- A. Testing for workability this spring.
 - 1. Faculty and Staff Lots Lot between Burtness Theatre and Chandler Hall and Twamley.
 - 2. Student Lots Women's Center, behind Christus Rex, and next to the Newman's Center.
- B. Preferred Parking Passes
 - 1. Annual student pass for \$225; faculty and staff pass for \$260.
 - 2. If space allows, a monthly student pass will be offered for \$25; faculty and staff for \$30.
- C. Appropriate signage is being identified for these lots and will be posted shortly.
- D. In the process of updating boot and impound policy.

III. Permit Rates

- A. FY 09 surface lot permits will sell at \$83 for students and \$93 for faculty and staff. PM permits will sell for \$41.
- B. NDSU Nearest institution in distance and closest to UND in size; Parking prices have been significantly higher (NDSU permit is \$110) than UND for several years and they only have surface lots, no ramp.

IV. 2nd Avenue ADA Parking

- A. Facilities will install equipment on the existing gate by the law school or install a new gate. It will have an intercom system and a camera.
 - 1. The attendant in the ramp booth, during normal working hours or a dispatcher at the communication center after hours and on weekends will have the ability to see a customer at the gate, talk to them and raise the gate as needed.
- B. Parking on the street will be limited to vehicles associated with deliveries and maintenance in surrounding buildings.

V. Union Loop

- A. Met with Tony Trimarco, Director of UND Memorial Union and discussed the possibility of changing 30 minute stalls in the Union Loop so there would be 4 AHZ and 4 SHZ stalls and 2 one-hour handicapped stalls.
- B. Currently there are 4 handicapped stalls in this area.
- C. The loss of the 30 minute loop spaces will not be as significant considering the short term parking options available with the completion of the ramp. For example, pay as you go with 15 minutes free and loading zones on Cornell.
- D. Please see attached map.

Proforma with Preferred Parking Campus Housing Dining and Parking Analysis

Aggregate Parking System Proforma

	FY 2007 Projected	FY 2007 Actuals	FY 2008 Projected	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Revenues - Permits and Decals:										
Residence Hall Students	\$88,134		\$99,796	\$165,702	\$185,635	\$207,952	\$232,931	\$260,884	\$265,121	\$269,377
Commuter Students	\$299,909		\$339,443	\$493,600	\$558,140	\$631,015	\$713,278	\$806,118	\$817,863	\$829,586
Night Users	\$1,991		\$2,332	\$3,142	\$3,562	\$4,037	\$4,574	\$5,181	\$5,256	\$5,330
Faculty/Staff/GTA	\$185,150		\$210,688	\$324,379	\$370,224	\$422,664	\$482,662	\$551,318	\$567,858	\$584,894
Total Collections - Permits and Decals	\$575,184	\$579,265	\$652,258	\$986,823	\$1,117,561	\$1,265,667	\$1,433,445	\$1,623,502	\$1,656,097	\$1,689,187
Visitor Lot	\$45,300	\$45,784	\$40,000	\$41,200	\$42,436	\$43,709	\$45,020	\$46,371	\$47,762	\$49,195
Parking Meters/Lot Rentals	\$60,000	\$51,397	\$53,500	\$55,105	\$56,758	\$58,461	\$60,215	\$62,021	\$63,882	\$65,798
Special Event Parking										
Chester Fritz and Athletic Events	\$55,995	\$51,636	\$95,750	\$98,623	\$101,581	\$104,629	\$107,767	\$111,000	\$114,331	\$117,760
Revenues - Parking Ramp										
756 Space Ramp			\$132,807	\$269,723	\$293,998	\$320,458	\$330,072	\$339,974	\$350,173	\$360,678
473										
TOTAL Revenues	\$736,479	\$728,083	\$974,315	\$1,451,474	\$1,612,335	\$1,792,924	\$1,976,519	\$2,182,868	\$2,232,244	\$2,282,618
Expenses						1				
Visitor Lot	(\$35,300)	(\$35,900)	(\$40,000)	(\$41,200)	(\$42,436)	(\$43,709)	(\$45,020)	(\$46,371)	(\$47,762)	(\$49,195)
Parking Meters/Lot Rentals	(\$23,035)	(\$29,045)	(\$45,407)	(\$46,769)	(\$48,172)	(\$49,617)	(\$51,106)	(\$52,639)	(\$54,218)	(\$55,845)
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Parking Ramp										
756 Space Ramp			(\$383,700)	(\$395,211)	(\$407,067)	(\$419,279)	(\$431,858)	(\$444,813)	(\$458,158)	(\$471,903)
Subtotal Expenses	(\$114,330)	(\$110,431)	(\$557,473)	(\$574,197)	(\$591,423)	(\$609,166)	(\$627,441)	(\$645,264)	(\$665,652)	(\$685,621)
Net Operating Income (NOI)	\$622,149	\$617,651	\$416,842	\$807,752	\$949,301	\$1,109,999	\$1,273,106	\$1,458,353	\$1,485,994	\$1,513,980
Debt Service										
2002 (refd 93) Bond Payment	(\$38,973)	(\$38,973)	(\$39,013)	(\$38,970)	(\$39,354)	(\$40,171)	(\$40,329)	(\$40,383)	\$0	. \$0
1998 Bond Payment	(\$42,245)	(\$42,245)	(\$40,955)	(\$39,590)	(\$38,270)	(\$41,890)	(\$40,245)	(\$38,582)	(\$41,920)	\$0
2006 Bond Payment - Parking Garage	\$0	\$0	(\$856,868)	(\$850,468)	(\$854,243)	(\$852,843)	(\$851,443)	(\$855,003)	(\$878,338)	(\$1,290,713
Total Debt Service	(\$81,218)	(\$81,218)	(\$936,836)	(\$929,028)	(\$931,867)	(\$934,904)	(\$932,017)	(\$933,968)	(\$920,258)	(\$1,290,713
Cash Flow After Debt Service	\$540,931	\$536,433	(\$519,994)	(\$121,276)	\$17,434	\$175,095	\$341,089	\$524,385	\$565,736	\$223,267
Plant Improvements										
Maintenance and Repairs - Existing Lots	(\$52,000)	(\$54,648)	(\$67,500)	(\$69,525)	(\$71,611)	(\$73,759)	(\$75,972)	(\$78,251)	(\$80,599)	(\$83,016
Other Projects	(\$58,114)	(\$99,684)								
Ending Fund Balance	\$1,137,146	\$1,088,430	\$500,937	\$310,135	\$509,987	\$411,471	\$775,104	\$857,605	\$1,260,242	\$997,85

FY 2011 Net Operating Income is greater than \$1.1	Permits:	Student	\$83	Permits increase	Ramp: Total of 298 Ramp Passes		
million		Night	\$41	15% per year	Stud Pass	\$250	
FY 2014 Ending Fund Balance is greater than \$1.2		Faculty/Staff	\$93	FY 14 Increase 3%	F/S Pass	\$285	
million.	Preferred:	Student	\$225	Increase 10%	163 Hourly Spots	\$7	
		Faculty/Staff	\$260	FY 14 Increase 3%	Hourly is at 70% utilization		
	841 Preferred s	paces at 70% utiliza	278 spaces = "G" Zone				

Essential Studies Transition February, 2008

Lori Robison (<u>lori_robison@und.nodak.edu</u>)
Tom Steen (thomas_steen@und.nodak.edu)

The Essential Studies Steering Committee has made great progress working with representatives from all over campus (from the Registrar's Office, from Academic Advising, from Admissions, from the GER Committee, from Instructional Development) to ensure that the new program is ready for entering first-year students in the fall of 2008—and for transfer students in the fall of 2009.

We ask for your help with the following:

- We need the whole campus to know that this wide-ranging curriculum change (with new goals, new requirements, and new or modified courses) is going into effect this fall. Faculty members need to think about ES courses that they can offer and departments need to consider how ES will alter their programs of study.
- Let us know about problems and concerns with the new program while at the same time remembering that the point of ES is to make liberal learning at UND truly better, to make it more thoughtful and more intentional.

We do not, that is, want to communicate to students that we are simply replacing one set of goals for another. We want to communicate to students that general education is something more than "checking boxes" and "getting through" courses as quickly as they can.

We ask that, from the start of this new program, we all pitch in to communicate that general education is truly valued at UND.

Please let those who want to learn more about ES know about these opportunities:

- Special Emphasis Course Design Workshops, Friday, Feb 8, 1-4:00 pm.
- Essential Studies Model Project Grants, offered by Office of Instructional Development.
- Essential Studies Summit, Friday, April 11.
- ES Steering Committee members are happy to consult with departments about programmatic changes. Contact Matt Cavalli if you would like to schedule a visit (matthewcavalli@mail.und.nodak.edu).

MEMORANDUM

TO: University Senate, Tom Petros, Chair

FROM: Diane Hadden, Director, Summer Sessions

DATE: January 9, 2008

RE: Annual Report of the Summer Sessions Committee for AY 2006-07

The Senate Summer Sessions Committee met on October 9 and November 13, 2006, and February 12 (lack of quorum) and April 16, 2007.

Summer Session enrollment was a topic of discussion at all meetings due to the Strategic Plan goal of increasing enrollment and the Provost's allocation model. In order to increase summer enrollment several ideas were generated and acted on. The first were to review the sequence of course offerings and marketing.

The sequence of courses was reviewed and specific departments were able to offer, or continue offering, a sequence which enables students to stay on target, or speed up their progress, toward graduation. Examples are Spanish 101 and 102, Biology 150 and 151, Chemistry 341 and 342, and CSD 101 and 102 and 201 and 202. The committee expressed interest in looking into those departments that might be able to offer a three year degree if students attend summer session.

Marketing was discussed and Diane presented the information that there were additional dollars available to assist each college in marketing summer. She planned to seek assistance from the Summer Programs and Events Council as well as using student help to develop all marketing pieces. The committee agreed there should be a common look to all the marketing and that the money be used carefully so that there would not be a "shotgun" approach to it. The end result was a summer brochure highlighting each college and assistance with other marketing pieces to individual departments who requested it.

Discussion about future marketing, and to which groups, was discussed. Suggestions were to focus on high school seniors, Grand Forks high school graduates who are here in the summer but attend college elsewhere during the academic year, and the GFAFB.

Two programs discussed earlier by the committee were planned for Summer 2007; a counselor's institute and an American Indian freshmen program. Both were successful and the goal is to continue, or expand, them in Summer 2008.

Faculty pay is an ongoing discussion and continues to be reviewed, particularly individual course pay and GTA stipends. Summer salaries increased by 3% in 2007, and will increase by 5% for 2008.

The Provost's allocation model for rewarding colleges for an increase in student credit hours continues to be reviewed. The results were all across the board with some colleges seeing large gains, some minimal gains, and others losses. Student credits hours in the summer are down as a whole; however, head count is up.

The Director of Summer Sessions continues to act as chairperson of the committee.

Additional statistics and recommendations can be viewed on the department's annual report on the UND website.



To: Suzanne Anderson, Registrar

From: Gary Towne, Professor of Music

Re: Honorary Degrees Committee Report, AY 2007-2008

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC HUGHES FINE ARTS BUILDING ROOM 110 3350 CAMPUS ROAD STOP 7125 GRAND FORKS ND 58202-7125

(701) 777-2644 FAX (701) 777-3320 February 11, 2007

For Academic Year 2007-2008, the UND Honorary Degrees Committee comprised Barbara Combs, Judy Demers, Loretta Heuer, Margaret Jackson, Helen Melland, Gary Towne, chair, and Dean Joseph Benoit, *ex officio*.

The committee met three times.

An organizational meeting was held October 23, 2007; all committee members were present.

Having assumed, on the basis of the precedent, that the longest serving elected committee member was chair, Gary Towne convened the meeting. He was confirmed as chair.

Dean Benoit reviewed the functions and responsibilities of the committee. It was noted that the invitation for nominations had been published once and was to be published again early in November. Dean Benoit also noted that Phil Jackson was approved for a degree two years ago but has been unable to schedule attendance due to professional conflicts. The invitation stands, and it is hoped that arrangements can be made for his presence this year.

Three nominations were received by the committee. Two meetings, December 12, 2007, and January 8, 2008, were held to review the nominees.

All committee members were present on December 12, except Barbara Combs; all members were present on January 8, except Margaret Jackson.

At the December meeting, two nominees were ratified unanimously by those present:

Ms. Jean Kiesau — M/Sc - Benoit/Demers Dr. Steinar Opstad — M/Sc - Demers/Benoit

At the January meeting, the final nominee was also ratified unanimously:

The Hon. Edward Shafer - M/Sc - Melland/Combs

The chair then prepared summaries of the nominees' accomplishments as discerned by the Committee for presentation to the President and Provost, and he presented the nominations anonymously to the University Senate at the February 7 meeting, where they passed unanimously.

Considering its work completed for this academic year, the Committee adjourned.

With thanks for the opportunity to serve UND, this report is respectfully submitted.

Gary Towne, committee chair

Number 1

This person is a North Dakota native, who, with her husband, organized the Mid-West Distributing Company, a buying partnership that formed the underpinning for and developed into the first discount store, a concept later adopted by 64 retailers with 475 discount stores throughout the U.S., a concept also fundamental to Wal-Mart, the world's largest retail operation.

After her husband's death, she took over the business, which has thrived in a very competitive rural market and remains the largest independently-owned retailer in the Midwest. She is the author of a book about the business and its principles.

Her businesses have established and continued to donate to a significant endowment at UND, and she is a dedicated supporter of Grand Forks, East Grand Forks, and the Region.

Her service has included the First Woman President of the GF Chamber of Commerce, First Woman President of the ND Retailers Association, ND Center for Innovation & Business Development Advisory Board, Advisory Committee of the State Workers Compensation Bureau, the Grand Forks Mayor's Workforce Flood Committee, as well as arts organizations, such as the GGF Symphony.

She has been recognized as the Greater Grand Forks Woman of the Year by $B\Sigma\Phi$, and has received the following awards: Henry Havig Community leadership award by the GF Chamber of Commerce, the Business & Industry Development Award from the Greater ND Chamber of Commerce, induction into the ND Entrepreneur Hall of Fame, Chapter Honoree of $B\Gamma\Sigma$ honor society. Her nomination is supported by the College of Business and Public Administration. Her renown will reflect positively on the University of North Dakota, and she is worthy of an honorary degree.

Number 2

UND is the top destination of Norwegian students in the United States, hosting nearly 10% of all who come to study in this country. This endorsement and the special relationships of several UND department with Norway can be traced to the efforts of one individual. Norwegian by birth, this person received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Oslo and his Ph.D. from Columbia University, but his favorite American university is UND, with whom he established special ties through the American College of Norway, which he founded in 1991.

This person is truly a citizen of the world, who has, by founding numerous international philanthropies, fostered economic development, educational opportunities, improved social welfare and better living conditions in developing countries around the world. He was instrumental in legislation to mandate improved access for women to the highest levels in business.

He has served as the Vice President of the Confederation of Norwegian Business and Industry and the Foundation for Applied Research in Norway, the President of the Regional Museum of Østfold, and board member on the Editors Organization of Norwegian Professional Press, the Norwegian Public Relations Institute, The Norwegian Industrial Trade Research Foundation, Timex Corporation, Suntec Foundation, and Strømmes Memorial Foundation.

This person's scholarship is superlative. In addition to numerous journal articles, he has published 10 books on leadership, 3 books on communication, 6 books on management, one book on education, and two books of fiction. His great intellect and business acumen are paralleled by his generosity and he has a special place in his heart for North Dakota and Grand Forks, which he recently assisted to become sister city with his hometown of Sarpsborg, Norway. He is an international gentleman, who has made outstanding contributions to UND, Grand Forks, and North Dakota. His nomination is supported by the Department of Sociology and the Center for Innovation. His renown will reflect positively on the University of North Dakota, and he is worthy of an honorary degree.

Number 3

A North Dakota native, this person has held leadership roles in Gold Seal, one of North Dakota's important corporations, and several other businesses. Governor of North Dakota for four terms, he founded a significant political movement, Extend America, and has been nominated as U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. He has chaired the Midwestern Governors' Association, and served on several other critical organizations of collaboration among Midwestern governors. He has chaired the ND Micro Business Marketing Alliance and the ND Heritage group, and has served in at least six regional organizations, including the UND Alumni Association & Foundation. His career has been particularly marked by contributions in the following areas:

Strategic planning, housing, leadership and economic development for rural North Dakota businesses and communities.

Improved Social Welfare Services, initiatives regarding: anti-discrimination, health insurance for children, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome prevention, safe housing, supervised visitation and revised foster care for children at risk, deafness screening for infants, coordination of children's mental health and other community-based programs, and improved child support collection.

Increased state funding for agricultural support, irrigation acreage, improved fish and game management, outdoor recreation, and tourism enhancement, as well as increased funding for law enforcement, and revisions in the ND prison system.

This person has been a primal force in the development of the State of North Dakota. His nomination is supported by the College of Business and Public Administration. His renown will reflect positively on the University of North Dakota, and he is worthy of an honorary degree.