FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, April 26, 2017, 3 p.m.  
Holmes Student Center Sky Room

Full Transcript


VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Allori, Azad, Briscoe, Collins, Dugas, Fang, Hanley, Konen, Krmenc, May, Penrod, Rosenbaum, Scherer, Shibata, Tan, Thu, Xie

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, Doederlein, Falkoff

OTHERS ABSENT: Hoffman, Johns, Klaper, Nicholson, Reynolds, Shortridge, VandeCreek

I. CALL TO ORDER

Faculty Senate President G. Long called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

G. Slotsve moved to adopt the agenda, including the amendment to move XI. D. 1-4 to immediately following executive session. Seconded by S. McHone-Chase. Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 29, 2017 FS MEETING

L. Beamer moved to approve the minutes, seconded by T. Arado. Motion passed.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

G. Slotsve moved to go into executive session, seconded by S. Farrell. Motion passed.

A. Report from the Committee to Evaluate the President of Faculty Senate/Executive Secretary of University Council – Sean Farrell

B. Report from the Committee to Evaluate the Faculty and SPS Personnel Advisor – Cathy Doederlein

G. Slotsve moved to close the executive session, seconded by S. Farrell. Motion passed.
XI. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES  
[taken out of order per motion to approve agenda]

For complete comments, see the meeting transcript.

D. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Rebecca Hunt, Liaison/Spokesperson

1. Nomination of the 2017-18 Executive Secretary of University Council, who shall also serve as President of Faculty Senate per NIU Bylaws Article 14.5 – Page 14

   a. Linda Saborío – Pages 15-16

   **R. Hunt** noted that Linda Saborío is the nominee for Executive Secretary of University Council/President of Faculty Senate. Voting took place by secret ballot (clickers).

   Yes – 44 votes
   No – 2 votes
   Abstain – 4 votes

   Linda Saborío was elected as the final nominee for the office of Executive Secretary of University Council/President of Faculty Senate for a one-year term.

2. Election of Faculty and Supportive Professional Staff Personnel Advisor for a two-year term per Faculty Senate Bylaws, Article 9 – Pages 17-18

   a. David Valentiner – Pages 19-20
   b. Sarah McHone-Chase – Page 21
   c. Christine Kiracofe – Pages 22-23
   d. Kirk Miller – Pages 24-25
   e. Jorge Jeria – Pages 26-27
   f. Mark Van Wienen – Pages 28-29

   **R. Hunt** noted that we have six candidates for the position of Faculty and Supportive Professional Staff Personnel Advisor. She also noted that, upon advice from the parliamentarian, a majority vote would be required to become elected to the position. Voting took place by secret ballot (clickers).
First Ballot
1/A  David Valentiner  9 votes
2/B  Sarah McHone-Chase 14 votes
3/C  Christine Kiracofe 10 votes
4/D  Kirk Miller  5 votes
5/E  Jorge Jeria  4 votes
6/F  Mark Van Wienen  4 votes

Second Ballot
1/A  David Valentiner  9 votes
2/B  Sarah McHone-Chase 24 votes
3/C  Christine Kiracofe  7 votes
4/D  Kirk Miller  7 votes

Third Ballot
1/A  David Valentiner  15 votes
2/B  Sarah McHone-Chase 34 votes

Sarah McHone-Chase was elected Faculty and SPS Personnel Advisor for a two-year term.

3. Election of University Council Personnel Committee representatives for Terms to begin 2017-18. Ballots will be distributed at Faculty Senate meeting. Voting will be by college; CBUS, CHHS and CLAS have vacancies to fill this year. Votes will be counted following the meeting and newly-elected UCPC members will be notified – walk-in

4. Committees of the University 2017-18 – Election of candidates who are running opposed and must be selected by Faculty Senate. Ballot packets will be distributed at Faculty Senate meeting. Votes will be counted following the meeting and those running will be notified of the outcome – walk-in

V. PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

For complete comments, see the meeting transcript.

A. Faculty Salary Study update

VI. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve list of candidates running unopposed to serve on committees of the university – Pages 4-5
J. Novak moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by J. Stephen. Motion passed.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

For complete comments, see the meeting transcript.

A. Proposed amendment to FS Bylaws, Articles 2.3 and 2.4 – Page 6
   Clarification of election timeline and terms of service for Faculty Senate officers
   SECOND READING/ACTION ITEM

   M. Haji-Sheikh moved to approve the proposed amendment, seconded by L. Saborío. Motion passed.
   Yes – 50 votes
   No – 1 vote
   Abstain – 1 vote

B. Proposed resolution to demonstrate confidence in President Baker,
   Postponed from March 29, 2017 Faculty Senate meeting – Page 7

   L. Saborío moved to table the resolution, seconded by T. Bishop and J. Stephen. Motion passed.
   Yes – 37 votes
   No – 17 votes
   Abstain – 0 votes

C. Program Prioritization – Matt Streb, Program Prioritization Liaison/Facilitator

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES

A. FAC to IBHE – Paul Stoddard – report

   1. March 17, 2017 meeting report – Pages 8-10

B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – no report
   Cathy Doederlein, Greg Long, Holly Nicholson, Rebecca Shortridge, Kendall Thu, Leanne VandeCreek
XI. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

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A. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee – Katy Jaekel, Chair – report
   1. Preferred Name Option – Pages 11-13

   J. Manning moved to support the report, seconded by S. McHone-Chase. Motion passed.

B. Academic Affairs Committee – John Novak, Chair – no report

C. Economic Status of the Profession Committee – Paul Stoddard, Chair – no report

D. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Rebecca Hunt, Liaison/Spokesperson
   5. Policy Library update – Greg Long – Pages 30-46

E. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Jimmie Manning, Liaison/Spokesperson – no report

XII. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

A. United Faculty Alliance update – Virginia Naples, President

XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Shared Governance Recommendations – Greg Long – Pages 47-48
B. 2017-18 Meeting Schedule – Page 49
C. Minutes, Academic Planning Council
D. Minutes, Athletic Board
E. Minutes, Baccalaureate Council
F. Minutes, Board of Trustees
G. Minutes, Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
H. Minutes, Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
I. Minutes, General Education Committee
J. Minutes, Graduate Council
K. Minutes, Graduate Council Curriculum Committee
L. Minutes, Honors Committee
M. Minutes, Operating Staff Council
N. Minutes, Supportive Professional Staff Council
O. Minutes, University Assessment Panel
P. Minutes, University Benefits Committee
Q. Minutes, Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
R. Minutes, University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
XIV. ADJOURNMENT

G. Slotsve moved to adjourn, seconded by S. Farrell. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.