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MINUTES
Faculty Senate Steering Committee
Wednesday, January 18, 2023, 3 p.m.
Altgeld Hall 225
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Buck, Bohanon, Hunter, Liberty, Marsh, McConkie, McGowan, Montana, Valentiner

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Demir, Douglass, Kim, Nicholson

I. CALL TO ORDER

Faculty Senate (FS) President I. Montana called the meeting to order.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was verified.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

D. Valentiner moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by B. McGowan. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 9, MINUTES

F. Bohanon moved to approve the minutes, seconded by S. Marsh. B. McGowan noted one typo (Memberse Absent should be Members Absent). The typo will be corrected, and the motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. ITEMS FOR FS STEERING COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

VII. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF FACULTY SENATE DRAFT AGENDA – attached packet

A review of the draft FS agenda included the following points:

- Three presentations are anticipated for the FS meeting:
  - State Universities Retirement System Member Advisory Committee Update
  - IT Security overview
  - Baccalaureate Council overview
• Information on the Bob Lane Faculty Advocacy Award call for nominations will be shared.

• Two proposals to amend the FS bylaws will be presented for first readings:
  o Proposed amendment to FS Bylaws 4.6.3.1, Honors Committee (HC), Student Membership
    It was noted that the proposal neglects to state who is charged with nominating the HC student member to serve on the Baccalaureate Council. The proposal submitters will be contacted for clarification prior to the FS meeting.
  o Proposed amendment to FS Bylaws 1, Membership of the Faculty Senate

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• Reports are anticipated from Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE, University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees, FS-Social Justice Committee (SJC), Student Government Association, Operating Staff Council and Supportive Professional Staff Council.

• Brief discussion of the SJC’s role in the review of NIU tenure and promotion policies, as well as an overview of the SJC’s recent work.

  S. Marsh moved to approve the draft FS agenda per above discussion, seconded by D. McConkie. Motion passed.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

  B. McGowan moved to adjourn, seconded by D. McConkie. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.