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# MINUTES

**FACULTY SENATE  
Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 3 p.m.  
Altgeld Hall Auditorium, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Northern Illinois University  
DeKalb, Illinois**

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**Voting members present:** Akst, Berke, Bohanon, Books, Buck, Campbell, Chen, Cheyney, Chomentowski, Duffin, Duffrin, Gray, Hartenhoff, Hu, Hunter, Ito, Johnson, Jong, Kim, Liberty, Marsh, May, McConkie, McGowan, McKee, Mellon, Miguel, Montana, Montgomery, Naples, Nesterov, Nicholson, Palese, Penkrot, Puckett, Qin, Rejabi, Rossetti, Scanlon, Serowka, Sharp, Slotsve, Sullivan, Vaezi, Vahabzadeh, Valentiner, Whedbee

**Voting members absent:** Allori, Borre, Clark, Demir, Douglass, Gors, Konen, Majeed, Mooberry, Rogers, Saborío, Saiyed, Shulman, Sirotkin

**Others present:** Bryan, Falkoff, Hughes, Ingram, Lee-Gordon, McEvoy, Schatteman

**Others absent:** Cripe, Ferguson, Groves, Jaekel

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

**Faculty Senate President I. Montana** called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

## **II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM**

A quorum was verified.

## **III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**P. Chomentowski** moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by **D. Valentiner**. Motion passed.

## **IV. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 29, 2023, MINUTES**

**D. Valentiner** moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

## **V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

## **VI. FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **VII. PROVOST'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## VIII. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

- A. [Huskie Closet](#)  
Alicia Schatteman  
Associate Professor and Director, Center for Nonprofit and NGO Studies
- B. Recognition of Faculty Senate members who have completed their service

## IX. FS-UC RULES, GOVERNANCE AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE – report Lori Hartenhoff, FS Liaison/Spokesperson

- A. Election of 2023-24 FS president/UC chair per FS Bylaws, Article 2
  - 1. Ben Creed
    - Yes – 41 votes
    - No – 3 votes
    - Abstain – 1 vote

**B. Creed** is elected.
- B. Committees of the University 2023-24 – Approve faculty candidates running unopposed to serve on committees of the university – walk-in

**H. Nicholson** moved to approve the faculty candidates running unopposed to serve on committees of the university, seconded by **D. Valentiner**. Motion passed.
- C. Committees of the University 2023-24 – Election of faculty candidates running opposed. Following the meeting, a Qualtrics ballot will be distributed to the tenured/tenure track faculty, clinical faculty and instructor members of Faculty Senate.
- D. Faculty Senate Personnel Committee 2023-24 – Election of representatives for terms to begin in fall 2023. Those elected to serve on the FSPC must be tenured faculty members of Faculty Senate. Following the meeting, a Qualtrics ballot will be distributed to the tenured/tenure-track faculty members of Faculty Senate.

**X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Proposed amendment to Faculty Senate Bylaws,  
Article 4.8, University Assessment Panel  
SECOND READING/VOTE  
Jason Rhode, Associate Vice Provost for Teaching, Learning and Digital Education

**H. Nicholson** moved to approved the proposed amendment, seconded by **P. Chomentowski**. Motion passed

Yes – 33 votes  
No – 7 votes  
Abstain – 5 votes

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

**XII. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES**

- A. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – no report  
Linda Saborío, NIU representative to FAC-IBHE
- B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – report  
Felicia Bohanon, Holly Nicholson, Ismael Montana  
Katy Jaekel, Karen Whedbee, Brad Cripe
- C. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee – no report
- D. Social Justice Committee – report  
David Valentiner, Chair
- E. FS-UC Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report  
Lori Hartenhoff, FS/RGE Liaison/Spokesperson
- F. Student Government Association – report  
Dallas Douglass, Speaker of the Senate
- G. Operating Staff Council – report  
Holly Nicholson, President  
Natasha Johnson, OSC/FS representative
- H. Supportive Professional Staff Council – report  
Felicia Bohanon, President  
Andrew Rogers, SPSC/FS representative

### **XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- A. [Policy Library](#) – Comment on Proposed Policies (right-hand column on web page)
- B. [Minutes](#), Academic Planning Council
- C. [Minutes](#), Athletic Board
- D. [Minutes](#), Baccalaureate Council
- E. [Minutes](#), Board of Trustees
- F. [Minutes](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- G. [Minutes](#), Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
- H. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- I. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council
- J. [Minutes](#), Honors Committee
- K. [Minutes](#), Operating Staff Council
- L. [Minutes](#), Supportive Professional Staff Council
- M. [Minutes](#), University Assessment Panel
- N. [Minutes](#), University Benefits Committee
- O. [Minutes](#), Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
- P. [Minutes](#), University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
- Q. [Annual Report](#) – Faculty Senate President – Pages 14-17
- R. [Annual Report](#) – Faculty Personnel Advisor – Pages 18-19
- S. 2023-24 FS schedule: Sep 6, Oct 4, Nov 1, Nov 29, Jan 24, Feb 21, Mar 27, Apr 24

### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

**P. Chomentowski** moved to adjourn, seconded by **V. Naples**. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.