Minutes of Faculty Senate November 20, 2015

Present: Stuntz, Branson, Fiaud, Ambrose, Alex, Baker, Commissiong, Craig, Crandall, DeButte, DeOtte, Dursun-Kilic, Hartin, King, Klaehn, Lee, Lust, Meredith, Nam, Osei-Hwere, Ottoson.

Absent: Blodgett, Combs, Hindman, Wilson, Shao. **Guest**: Betty Coneway (Substituting for Hindman).

Meeting called to order at 12:14pm in Room 14 (Eternal Flame) of the Jack B. Kelley Student Center.

- 1. Minutes from November 6 meeting
 - a. Approved unanimously
- 2. Old business
 - a. Report from Constitutional Committee
 - I. Summary of recommendations:
 - i. Deletions of paragraphs for permanent standing committees that are not active
 - ii. "Stand alone school language" added
 - iii. Article VII p.151 adding of language "[...] voting at a meeting of a full faculty and professional librarians [...] ."
 - iv. Senate term limits discussion.

No term limits, limit to two consecutive terms, or keep the requirement as it is.

- 1. Vote:
 - a. No term limits: 8
 - b. Limits of 2 consecutive terms: 10
 - c. No more than 1 term + 1 unfinished term (max or 5 ½ term): 1
- 2. Adding the language " or no more than 6 years within a 9 year period"
 - a. Vote: majority in favor.
- v. Criteria to be on the senate discussion.

Change in the language. "Preference for full-time tenured faculty (or at least post 3rd year review), excluding direct supervisors."

1. Motion:

Resolution to the deans from the direct supervisors up: "don't interfere with the faculty senate business".

- a. Yes: 9
- b. No: 1
- c. Abstention: 9
- d. Resolution passed
- e. Point of order: revote requested after clarification of the language.
 - i. Yes: 9
 - ii. Oppose: 1

- iii. Abstain: 9
- iv. Resolution passed
- vi. Senate officers must be tenured
 - 1. Discussion
 - 2. Move to vote to restrict faculty senate officers to tenured faculty

a. For: 12 b. Oppose: 3 c. Abstain: 4

- 3. Motion: to vote to rescind the previous motion: passed by majority
- 4. Move the faculty senate president has tenure
 - a. Tabled
- 5. Move that "a preference for senate officers to have been at the university for at least 6 years at the time of election."
 - a. Oppose 1 b. Abstain 3 c. For: 15
- vii. Non-voting permanent part-time or temporary
 - 1. Replace "ex-Officio" rather than "non-voting" language

a. For: 13 b. Oppose: none c. Abstain: 4

- viii. Constitutional convention over the next year
 - 1. Discussion: faculty officers would go to departmental meetings to present some of the things that were done by the faculty senate and get input.
 - a. Vote: passed by majority
- ix. Other recommendations were discussed and tabled until the January meeting
- b. Report from Concealed Carry Task Force
 - List of spaces recommended by the Task Force.
- c. Report on Administrator evaluations Approved by the Provost.
- d. Report on Student Evaluations

Planned on starting in the Spring semester but placed online this semester. As soon as the grades are turned in, the faculty member has access to the student's evaluation and can respond. All students, even the ones who have dropped can fill out the evaluation. It is based on attendance in the 12th day.

e. Report on Foundation Faculty Development Grants Email sent. No answer.

- f. Report on committees not meeting Report online
- g. Other? None

3. New Business

- a. Faculty Development Leave Applications due Dec. 1
- b. Honors council Business school has a faculty leaving at the end of the semester
 - a. Motion to elect Duane Rosa for a replacement: Unanimous decision
- c. Other? None

4. Announcements

- a. No meeting on Dead Day so next meeting is Jan. 22. We will vote on Faculty Development Leave then.
- b. Calendar for 2016 no classes day before Thanksgiving
- c. Dead Day is Dec. 3, please follow the university and system policies and procedures
- d. Graduation ceremonies at 3:00 (ANS, FAH, NHS) and 7:00 (COB, COESS, ECSM) on Dec. 11.
- e. Possibility of Faculty Lounge when Old Ed building refurbished
- f. Other?
 - i. Sharing more information about the faculty senate accomplishments with the entire faculty.

The meeting of Faculty Senate was adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vanessa A. Fiaud, Secretary