

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
October 6, 2022

1.

The September meeting of the University Senate was held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 6, 2022, via Zoom Conference. Chair Bob Newman presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Azizova, Zarrina	Kraus, Robert	Running Bear, Ursula
Clark, Travis	Laguetta, Soizik	Seddoh, Amebu
Cook, Jennifer	Lawson-Body, Assion	Sheridan, Bill
Correll, Scott	Legerski, Elizabeth	Shogren, Maridee
Cox, Paula	Light, Steve	Singhal, Sandeep
Crotty, Tyanne	Linder, Meloney	Smart, Kathy
Dada, Precious	Lindseth, Glenda	Spaeth, Andria
Dahlke, Rachel	Link, Eric	Sperle, James
Denny, Dawn	Liu, Jun	Strand, Skyler
de Silva, Renuka	Mamaghani, Iraj	Stone, Lucian
Doze, Van	Marquis, Jared	Traynor, Paul
Emter, Adelyn	Maskaly, Jonathan	Tulin, Alexei
Fiedler, Kianna	Mastrud, Morgan	Urban, Shanna
Germolus, Isaiah	Mattingly, Shaina	Wahl, Faith
Gjellstad, Melissa	Mihelich, John	Wallace, Alfred
Gupta, Surojit	Milavetz, Barry	Weber, Bret
Hellwig, Beth	Mongeon-Stewart, Karla	Wild, Brandon
Iseminger, Colt	Neuman, Robert	Wilson, Nick
Jendrysik, Mark	Pappas, Brian	Wise, Richard
Juntunen, Cindy	Peterson, Karen	Wynne, Joshua
Kalbfleisch, Pamela	Rajpathy, Odele	Zerr, Ryan
Kehn, Andre	Robinson, Sarah	
Kinney, Anna Marie	Rundquist, Brad	

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Adjekum, Daniel	Halcrow, Steven	Masursky, Danielle
Alberts, Crystal	Henley, Amy	Mosher, Sarah
Armacost, Andy	Henneman, Emily	Niemi, Tyler
Berry, Whitney	Homstad, Stephanie	Olson, Katlyn
Bjorgaard, Stacy	Ji, Yun	Sela, Sapir
Dhungana, Bebas	Jordan, Rachel	Tande, Brian
Dockter, Sally	Kuznicki, Malissa	

4.

Mr. Newman congratulated the winners of last month's senate election:

- 1.University Senate Vice-Chair/Chair Elect: Sarah Robinson
- 2.Faculty representative on the Senate Executive Committee (SEC): Alena Kubatova
- 3.Staff representative on the SEC: Paula Cox
- 4.Student representative on the SEC: Faith Wahl
- 5.Two new members on the Senate Committee on Committees: Nick Wilson and Ryan Zerr

5.

Mr. Newman announced the schedule for the University Council fall 2022 meeting on Thursday, November 17, 2022, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. It will be available in person at the Barry Auditorium in the Nistler College of Business and Public Administration and via Zoom.

6.

Mr. Newman announced that President Armacost has approved the new University Senate Open Educational Resources committee.

7.

Ms. Marasinghe discussed the UND Telecomm modernization plan. The current system is 20+ years old and is very costly. Telecomm is operating at a loss of \$250K per year. The proposed solution will be cloud based but allow texting and a soft phone on your computer from your 777-XXXX number. There is also an app for your cell phone.

8.

Ms. Pederson discussed the NDUS proposal for a fall break in the academic calendar. The current calendar has 16 weeks of instruction per semester with a final exam occurring during the 17th week. The national average is 15 weeks. There are three options presented in the agenda materials.

9.

Mr. Munski provided updates from the Council and College Faculties. The recent meeting centered on the fall break previously discussed. The CCF will work on adjusting its Constitution. There were updates from the SBHE concerning student mental health needs, bureaucracy in government, and other endemic disease guidance including Monkeypox.

10.

Ms. Cox provided a Staff Senate update. The United Way campaign is coming up later this month. The 31 Days of Glory raffle will be held again this year. Proceeds go to staff development.

11.

Ms. Wahl provided a Student Government update. Money has been allocated towards the Spring Fever concert as well as Open Educational Resources. Student Government is focusing on student mental health issues.

12.

Mr. Link provided an update from the Provost Office. The ribbon was cut for the official opening of the Nistler College of Business and Public Administration. The DEI conference just concluded today. The conference was a first of a kind on our campus. There is a UAS summit being hosted here as well. A UND Career Expo was also recently held. Mr. Link congratulated the departments who obtained a Fulbright Faculty in Residence nod. Our enrollment numbers at census were strong with a very well prepared academic class. Mr. Link thanked the faculty who participated in the summer commencement. Please consider participating in winter commencement. Stay tuned for a memo on regalia rental or purchase. Mr. Link will restore funding to the FIDC committee. Seventy-five thousand dollars will be given to this committee over the next two years.

13.

Ms. Krenelka and Mr. Mochoruk shared updates with the UND Strategic Planning process. There is a full draft of the strategic plan. There will be a town hall event on October 13, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. to announce the unveiling to review the draft plan.

14.

Ms. Worley and Mr. Zerr provided updates from the HLC Executive Committee. The writing of the five criterion and federal compliance has continued through the summer and this fall. The well-polished first drafts are to be completed on November 1, 2022. Once the report is prepared, there will be a site visit by our HLC review team in April 2024. There will be a great need for faculty and staff involvement in the site visit.

15.

Mr. Newman shared that the annual reports from the Committee on Committees, Compensation, and the Faculty Instructional Development committees are due now. Faculty Rights and Faculty Handbook are due next month.

16.

Quorum was established.

17.

Without objection, the minutes from the University Senate on September 1, 2022, were approved without objection.

18.

Mr. Newman discussed that Senate webpage updates are in progress, the possible fall break proposal, and that the Provost is preparing a draft proposal for the FIDC committee.

19.

The twenty minute question period started at 4:30 p.m. Ms. Cox asked Ms. Marasinghe about the Telecomm project. What will be the future cost? Ms. Marasinghe stated she should have more information after meeting with the budget office. Mr. Marquis asked Telecomm if Lenox computers would work. Ms. Marasinghe stated yes as it is web based. Also under investigation include out of office messages. Mr. Wise asked if he would have to use his own phone for help. Ms. Marasinghe stated that yes that would be one option. Ms. Gjellstad asked about the review of the MIRA model. Mr. Link stated that yes there is a review beginning of the model. Ms. Gjellstad also asked about the Vice President of Research search. Mr. Link state that the Vice President of Research search will get underway next spring semester. There are many items for the University to accomplish with the beginning of the legislative session. Ms. Stewart added that the new strategic plan will affect the review of MIRA. Ms. Legerski asked if Ms. Wahl will be working with the Campus Safety committee to focus her efforts. Ms. Wahl confirmed that working with the Safety Committee is the route that they will use. The question period ended at 4:41 p.m.

20.

Without objection, the annual report from the Honors Committee was filed.

21.

Without objection, the University Assessment annual report was filed.

22.

Without objection, the Curriculum Committee approvals were filed.

23.

There were no matters arising presented.

24.

The meeting adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

Scott Correll, Secretary
University Senate