

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
April 7, 2022

1.

The February meeting of the University Senate was held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, 2022, via Zoom Conference. Chair Cristina Oancea presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Adjekum, Daniel	Johnson, Erika	Pedersen, Daphne
Bartz, Jeremiah	Juntunen, Cindy	Petros, Tom
Brandt, Sonja	Kalbfleisch, Pamela	Redvers, Nicole
Chu, Qianli	Karikari, Isaac	Reedy, Kaelan
Cox, Paula	Kehn, Andre	Rozelle-Stone, Rebecca
Denny, Dawn	Laguetta, Soizik	Rundquist, Brad
Dorafshan, Sattar	Legerski, Liz	Schlenker, Jared
Doze, Van	Liang, Lewis	Shivers, Jed
Dutchak, Dawson	Light, Steve	VanLooy, Jeffrey
Gjellstad, Melissa	Lim, Howe	Wahl, Faith
Halcrow, Steven	Liu, Jun	Walker, Stephanie
Hammond, Sean	Mamaghani, Iraj	Weber, Bret
Helleloid, Duane	Matz, Adam	Wilson, Nick
Hellwig, Beth	McGinniss, Mike	Wise, Richard
Henley, Amy	Mihelich, John	Worley, Deborah
Henneman, Emily	Milavetz, Barry	Xiao, Feng
Hume, Wendelin	Munski, Douglas	Zerr, Ryan
Iseminger, Colt	Myers, Brad	
Jedlicka, Janet	Newman, Robert	
Jendrysik, Mark	Oancea, Cristina	

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Armacost, Andy	Homstad, Stephanie	Petritsch, Timothy
Blace, Sadie	Jordan, Rachel	Reissig, Brad
Carter, Payton	Kitzes, Adam	Schill, Brian
Cherry Oliver, Emily	Kraus, Robert	Shogren, Maridee
Clark, Travis	Linder, Meloney	Spaeth, Andria
Correll, Scott	Link, Eric	Strand, Skyler
Crotty, Tyanne	Nonte, Stephen	Stroup, Kale
Dauphinais, Kirsten	Perkins, Dexter	Tande, Brian
Feehery, DJ	Peterson, Karen	Wynne, Joshua

4.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the upcoming University Council meeting on May 3, 2022, from 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

5.

Ms. Oancea congratulated to those elected to Senate Committees: there are 3 ties:

Curriculum Committee, College of Nursing and Professional Disciplines (CNPD) Rep, tie between Jennifer Schlinger and Danielle Vilano

Intercollegiate Athletics, 2nd place tie, Sandra Moritz and Michelle Novak

Library Committee, CNPD Rep, tie between Wanda Lauer and Tracy Leedahl

Also, Elections for University Senate At-Large members and College/School representatives will happen in early April - please keep an eye out for nomination and election ballots.

6.

Reminder regarding committee annual report deadlines:

1. Due Sept. 23, 2021 (overdue): Compensation
2. Due Oct. 21, 2021 (overdue): Standing Committee on Faculty Rights
3. Due Nov. 18, 2021 (overdue): Legislative Affairs
4. Due Feb. 17, 2022 (overdue): Intellectual Property
5. Due Mar. 24, 2022: Committee on Committees, Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct, Curriculum, Intercollegiate Athletics
6. Due Apr. 21, 2022: Budget, Scholarly Activities

7.

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) re-accreditation executive team update:

Ashley Evenson Bayne and Sharon Loiland gave an update on the HLC Criterion 5. There are 3 components for this committee: Institution effectiveness, Resources and Planning. These three components have been divided amongst the committee members and being work on. They are planning on have a final draft submitted to the President in March of 2023.

Casey Hoffman and Beth Valentine gave an update on HLC Federal Compliance: This committee is working on making sure tha tUND complies with the Federal regulations. They have also divided their criteria among the group members to work on. They expect two additional question to be added to the criterion from the HLC.

8.

Ms. Krenelka and Mr. Mochoruk provided an update on the UND Strategic Planning progress report. The personal for the committee has been selected, there are 16 members on the committee and the committee is meeting weekly. Used the open forum that was held to gather questions that were used to draft a qualtrix survey. The questions also include comments from Informed by One UND, taskforces and also feedback from the UND community. A retreat was during spring break for our workgroups and they are now seeking campus wide involvement. 7 workgroups were formed for the process. 1 -Creativity, discovery, innovation, 2 - collaboration and engagement, 3 - valuing employees, 4 - climate and culture, 5 - equity and inclusive excellent, - 6

student success through academic excellent and 7 student success beyond the classroom. Received feedback from executive council and added the feedback to the workgroup areas. Members were chosen for each workgroups.

Next steps: Collaboration and work between the groups is happening and will be encouraged. The group will be having a retreat by the end of August. In September they will have a draft of the strategic plan. They will then present the complete draft at UND town hall around mid-October and get public comments. Then they will spend November and December producing final draft, then it goes to President Armacost for his recommendations.

For more information, please visits the website for the UND strategic plan.

9.

Mr. Richard Millspaugh gave an update on the Council of College Faculties. They had their meeting and they elected officers for next year. They discussed the transfer agreement between two year institutions and Western Governors and they feel this will be an interesting topic of discussions.

10.

Mr. Schill is out of town and Paula Cox will provide a Staff Senate update. On April 13, elections were held to fill the openings. Today was spring fling and they served over 250 staff members. Looking for staff to fill positions at their meeting tomorrow.

11.

Mr. Reedy provided a Student Government update. Student Government is working with the University counseling Center on the Green Bandana project. Those with the Green Bandana will signify as a resource for students in need. Hopefully it will help to improve mental health on campus. The John House fund is helping to pay for the materials. Student fees have funded two new menstrual product dispensers and they have also put money into the eSports center. Elections will be held on April 13.

12.

Mr. Link is gone and there are no updates.

13.

Quorum was established.

14.

Without objection, the minutes from the March 3, 2022, University Senate meeting were filed.

15.

Ms. Oancea reported from the Senate Executive Committee.

The committee met in March and discussed issues by faculty and student's regarding Psychological advice/ counseling for outside ND/long distance faculty, staff and students as well as international students.

They also passed UND's Resolution on Defending Academic Freedom (See attached, including the CCF Resolution on Defending Academic Freedom. Senate Executive passed the resolution in March for defending Academic Freedom. See attached document to minutes for both UND and the NDUS System.)

16.

The 20 minute question and answer period began at 4:11pm.

Tom Petros asked the intention of these resolutions. We are not going to demand but ask for the resolution to be considered. We may send to the Chancellor, if need be. Lewis Liang asked what is the Green Bandana program and who is it for, students only, but can faculty and or staff members participate. Kaelan Reedy will make sure that faculty and staff can participate in the program. Melissa Gjellstad - for Ms. Krenelka and Mr. Mochoruk - if you are working through the summer months, how are faculty going to work on the project if they are not on contract during the summer months. Mr. Mochoruk stated we are trying to get most of the work done during the academic year, not summer. They will be using nontraditional meetings, etc., for the plan. Ms. Gjellstad are you paying the faculty, etc. to work during the months when they are not on contract. Mr. Mochoruk, we are working on getting a stipend to help with the members that are only on a 9 month contract. They have gotten positive feedback but have nothing confirmed. Elizabeth Legerski - President Armacost question - I heard about a study of pay and salary for faculty and staff across campus? More details would be great. Jed Shivers stated that the initial compensation relates to faculty and will be working with the provost office and HR to work on this project. He cannot comments on any specific details as it is being driven by the Provost. Andre Kehn announcement holding a budget presentation and how it interacts with grants and contracts on April 20, 2022 from 1-2 PM.

The question and answer period ended at 4:20pm.

17.

Without objection, the University Senate Curriculum Report for April 2022 was filed.

18.

Without objection, the Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct Committee Report 2022 was filed.

19.

Without objection, the Senate Online and Distance Education Committee Annual Report for 2021-2022 was filed.

20.

Ms. Oancea called attention to the UND's resolution on defending academic freedom to teach about race and gender justice, and critical race theory (see attached). Faith Wahl had an update from the student perspective from ND Student Association. Wants to thank everyone for working on this resolution. Faith Wahl made a motion to support UND Resolution on Defending Academic Freedom. Bret Weber seconded the motion with the friendly amendment. The motion carries 90% yes, 8% no 2% abstain. Tom Petros reiterated that we bring this to the Chancellor and that he is willing to assist with this. Bob Newman also reiterated what Tom Petros said.

21.

Ms. Oancea called attention to runoff vote for tie for one member of the College of Nursing and Professional Disciplines to serve on the Curriculum Committee. Barry Milavetz made a motion the voting. Lewis Liang seconded the item on the agenda. Jennifer Schlinger 61% - Danielle Vilano - 39%. Jennifer Schlinger is the new member on the committee.

22.

Runoff vote for tie for one person to fill a second seat on the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee. Melissa Gjellstad made a motion to accept the motion. Barry Milavetz seconded the motion. Sandra Moritz - 38% and Michelle Novak - 63%. Michelle Novak is the new member on the committee.

23.

Runoff vote for tie for one person from the College of Nursing and Professional Disciplines to serve on the Library Committee. Mark Jendrysik made a motion to accept the vote. Janet Jedlica seconded the motion. Wanda Lauer and Tracy Ledall. Tracy Ledall is the new member on the committee.

24.

INFORMAL pool on continuing USenate meetings via Zoom during the 2022- 2023 academic year. Barry Milavetz made a motion to approve the vote. Colt Iseminger seconded the motion. Lewis wanted to know if we could do both online and in person and would make a friendly motion to the vote. Technically it is possible to do both in person and remote voting for the Senate meetings. Ms. Marasinghe will look into these options. Also what about participation, the zoom participation is much higher than in person participation. There were comments in favor of both ways of participation.

The poll has been updated:

Online only - Zoom - 18
In Person Only - 8
Hybrid - 78
Abstain - 0

Thank you very much for your input on this subject.

The meeting adjourned at 4:48pm.

Marci Mack for Scott Correll, Secretary
University Senate