

Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
May 4, 2023

1.

The September meeting of the University Senate was held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 4, 2023, via Zoom Conference. Chair Bob Newman presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Armacost, Andy	Kehn, Andre	Pokornowski, Alex
Azizova, Zarrina	Kinney, Anna Marie	Robinson, Sarah
Bjorggaard, Stacy	Kraus, Robert	Rundquist, Brad
Clark, Travis	Laguetta, Soizik	Seddoh, Amebu
Correll, Scott	Lawson-Body, Assion	Shogren, Maridee
Cox, Paula	Legerski, Elizabeth	Singhal, Sandeep
de Silva, Renuka	Linder, Meloney	Spaeth, Andria
Denny, Dawn	Lindseth, Glenda	Sperle, James
Dhungana, Bebas	Link, Eric	Traynor, Paul
Dockter, Sally	Liu, Jun	Tulin, Alexei
Doze, Van	Malloy, Art	Urban, Shanna
Gjellstad, Melissa	Marquis, Jared	Wahl, Faith
Halcrow, Steven	Maskaly, Jonathan	Weber, Bret
Iseminger, Colt	Masursky, Danielle	Wild, Brandon
Jendrysik, Mark	Mattingly, Shaina	Wise, Richard
Jordan, Rachel	Mihelich, John	Zerr, Ryan
Juntunen, Cindy	Milavetz, Barry	
Kalbfleisch, Pamela	Newman, Robert	

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Adjekum, Daniel	Henneman, Emily	Peterson, Karen
Alberts, Crystal	Homstad, Stephanie	Rajpathy, Odele
Berry, Whitney	Ji, Yun	Running Bear, Ursula
Crotty, Tyanne	Kuznicki, Malissa	Sela, Sapir
Dada, Precious	Light, Steve	Sheridan, Bill
Dahlke, Rachel	Mamaghani, Iraaj	Smart, Kathy
Emter, Adelyn	Mastrud, Morgan	Stone, Lucian
Fiedler, Kianna	Mongeon-Stewart, Karla	Strand, Skyler
Germolus, Isaiah	Mosher, Sarah	Tande, Brian
Grijalva, Jim	Niemi, Tyler	Wallace, Alfred
Gupta, Surojit	Olson, Katlyn	Wilson, Nick
Henley, Amy	Pappas, Brian	Wynne, Joshua

4.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Election for Senate Committees. The results are attached to the Senate agenda.

5.

Mr. Armacost provided the following legislative updates. Mr. Armacost thanked the University Senate for the leadership during this academic year. Mr. Armacost recognized Mr. Newman's leadership as chair for this academic year. The appropriation bill (HB 1003) has passed the legislature, but has not been signed by the governor. There are increases of a 6% and 4% merit pool available for raises in 2023 and 2024. Mr. Armacost also thanked Ms. Wahl for her student leadership. The post-tenure review bill was defeated. The specified concepts (SB 2247) passed by guaranteed academic freedom and freedom of speech. It appears that the UND campus already complies with new gender identity laws. The concealed carry bill on campus was defeated. The UND Leads strategic plan implementation team will be co-chaired by Ryan Zerr and Angie Carpenter.

6.

Ms. Legerski provided a Council of College Faculties update. The majority of respondents stated that they would like to extend the contract. There is a committee that will be formed to review post-tenure review processes.

7.

Ms. Cox provided an update from Staff Senate. Tonight, there will be a May the Fourth Be with You trivia context. New senate leadership will begin May 10th. Andria Spaeth will be the new president.

8.

Ms. Wahl provided the following updates on Student Government. The last business meeting was last night. There is a new Cassie Gerhardt Servant Leadership award. It was an honor to be in this position and working with everyone. Ella Nelson will be the new Student Senate president.

9.

Mr. Link provided the following updates from the Provost Office. The new strategic plan has been launched. Mr. Link provided examples of items initiatives already underway for each pillar. Next year we will have our HLC reaffirmation site visit. Commencement season is upon us. Please join us to celebrate their successes.

10.

Ms. Marasinghe provided the following updates from the Office of the CIO. There are several summer projects underway. There will be an update to a new virtual private network to use. The telephone system will be moving to the cloud. Go live will now be the middle of June. Citrix will be disabled this summer. Apporto will be the new solution. The UIT helpdesk has moved to the cloud. Starfish retention solutions will be replaced with Civitas over the next year.

11.

Ms. Plumm and members of her team provided the following updates regarding the Experiential Learning Center. This will be a method to help our students develop skills that our workforce needs. The idea also aligns with our current strategic plan and each of the pillars. The implementation of this project would be over two phases.

12.

Mr. Newman stated the following reports are due from senate committees:

Intellectual Property, February 16th

Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct, March 23rd

Curriculum, March 23rd

Intercollegiate Athletics, March 23rd

Online & Distance Education, March 23rd

Budget, April 20th

Open Educational Resources, April 20th

Scholarly Activities, April 20th

13.

Quorum was established.

14.

Without objections, the minutes from the March 2, 2023, senate meeting were approved.

15.

Mr. Newman provide a report from the Senate Executive Committee. The legislation has already been discussed. There will be additional discussions on weather closures. There is a proposal for graduate tuition waiver policy. The UND LEADS implementation structure was distributed with the agenda.

16.

The twenty minute Question and Answer period began at 4:28 p.m. Ms. Legerski inquired about the funding bill and the distribution of the merit money and a mandatory minimums. Mr. Armacost stated it is being discussed at the Executive Council on Monday. Ms. Laguette asked about a salary study. Ms. Stewart detailed that we are finalizing hiring a consulting firm to conduct the study. The question period concluded at 4:34 p.m.

17.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Curriculum Committee April and May report. The April report was approved by the Senate Executive Committee. Without objection the May report, the report was filed.

18.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Online & Distance Education committee report. Without objection, the report was filed.

19.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Academic Policies and Admissions committee annual report. Without objection, the report was filed.

20.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct annual report. Without objection, the report was filed.

21.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Intercollegiate Athletics annual report. Without objection, the report was filed.

22.

Ms. Newman announced the runoff election for the Senate Honors committee. The new committee member is Lavinia Iancu.

23.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Senate Committee on Committees charge update. Mr. Milavetz moved to approved. Mr. Jendrysik seconded. Without discussion, the motion carried.

24.

Mr. Newman called attention to the University Assessment Committee charge update. Ms. Laguette moved to approve. Mr. Milavetz seconded. Without discussion, the motion carried.

25.

Mr. Newman called attention to the Senate Online & Distance Education committee resolution. Mr. Milavetz moved to approved. Ms. Gjellstad seconded the motion. After a brief discussion, the resolution carried.

26.

There are no matters arising.

27.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Scott Correll, Secretary
University Senate