Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
March 2, 2017

1.

The March meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, March 2, 2017 in Room 113, Education. Chair Dana Harsell presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Andert, Blake          Hong, Doojin          Noghanian, Sima
Balgamwalla, Sabrina   Jendrysik, Mark       Petschen, Chris
Barbu, Simona          Jeno, Susan           Poochigian, Don
Betting, Laurie        Johnson, Peter         Quinn, Andrew
Correll, Scott         Kalbfleisch, Pamela    Ray, Linda
Dilorenzo, Thomas      Kennedy, Mark          Schindler, Gary
Doze, Van              Kenville, Kim          Stofferahn, Curt
Du, Guodong            Laguette, Soizik        Storrs, Debbie
Dunnigan, Gerri        Liang, Lewis           Tang, Clement
El-Reini, Hesham       Lindseth, Glenda        Todhunter, Paul
Fazel-Rezai, Reza      Lindseth, Paul          Vogeltanz-Holm, Nancy
Ferraro, Richard       McGimpsey, Grant       Walch, Tanis
Gabriel, Holly         McGinniss, Mike        Walker, Stephanie
Gedafa, Daba           Miller, Charles         Weaver-Hightower, Rebecca
Gjellstad, Melissa     Munski, Doug           Williams, Margaret
Halgren, Cara          Murphy, Eric            Zerr, Jessica
Hanson, Nicholas       Neubert, Jeremiah       Zhao, Julia
Harsell, Dana          Nickum, Annie           Zimmerman, Sonia

3.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Bateman, Connie        Grijalva, James         Ocken, Jake
Beyer, Brandon         Gupta, Surojit          Ostadhassan, Mehdi
Blackburn, Royce       Henderson, Pam          Petros, Tom
Borboa-Peterson, Stacey Higgins, James      Rand, Kathryn
Brekke, Alice          Hill, Shane             Roux, Gayle
Casler, James          Hyder, Muneeb           Sens, Donald
Christopherson, Anne   Jorgenson, Terra        Souvannasac, Eric
Engez, Tracy           Juntenen, Cindy         Tanaka, Tomohiro
Faruque, Saleh         Lerma, Sam              VanderBush, Ashley
Flynn, Amber           Mikulak, Marcia         Wood, Robert
Flynn, Seth            Nelson, Blair           Wynne, Joshua
Glidden, Ethan         Nguyen, David           

4.

The following announcements were made:

a. Provost Dilorenzo provided an update regarding the CoBPA Interim Dean search process:
   - Nominations were accepted.
   - Seven individuals presented on Friday, February 24, 2017.
   - A selection will be made soon.

b. Mr. Murphy provided updates from CCF:
   - 605.3 has been decided and allows for at least a 90-day notification with an additional 90-day pay period.
   - UND will support a 12-month notification.
   - NDSU is also supporting a 12-month notification.
CCF elections were recently held and include a diverse makeup from around the NDUS.

5.

Mr. Harsell called attention to the minutes of February 2, 2017. Mr. Munski moved to approve, Mr. Jendrysik seconded the motion carried.

6.

The question period opened at 4:22 p.m. Mr. Neubert asked when the budget for departments will be announced. Mr. DiLorenzo stated that the legislative process is in process until April 28, 2017. The process will be fluid until then. There are decisions to be made regarding the voluntary separations and phased retirements. Mr. Neubert also asked when the MIRA model allocations will be disseminated. Mr. DiLorenzo stated that the next chairs leadership meeting will provide some answers.

Ms. Laguette asked if rumors about not implementing MIRA are true. Mr. DiLorenzo stated that this model is used to calculate what a college is allocated based on many factors.

Ms. Weaver-Hightower inquired as to what the separation process will be like for employees needing retraining. Pat Hanson, Director of HR and Payroll Services, stated that HR provides numerous services including individualized services, COBRA options, an internal recruitment process for open positions, two additional years of internal recruitment, application/resume assistance, workshops, and EAP is available for ninety days from separation.

Mr. Murphy asked what our holdings in the library will be in the future and will the library be built into a sustainable model for a research university. Ms. Walker replied that she has twelve possible proposals to help move the library forward towards a sustainable model. She cited the University of Nevada-Reno as an example of sustainability.

Mr. Quinn asked about the sustainability of the Graduate School. Mr. DiLorenzo stated that we are looking at being more creative and more efficient through the use of technology. He and Mr. McGimpsey have been in discussions regarding this.

Ms. Ray inquired if UND will start a bike program for transportation across campus. Mr. Murphy replied that the student wellness committee has looked at this request. There is a lot of interest, but there is no money.

The question period ended at 4:40 p.m.

7.

Mr. Harsell called attention to the annual report of the Senate Academic Standards Committee. Mr. Quinn made a motion to accept and file the report. The motion carried.

8.

Mr. Harsell called attention to the annual report of the Senate Academic Procedures Committee. Mr. Quinn made a motion to accept and file the report. The motion carried.
9.
Mr. Harsell called attention to the Curriculum Committee report. Mr. Quinn moved to approve the report. Mr. Gedafa seconded and the motion carried.

10.
Mr. Harsell called attention to the nominations for Senate committees and opened the ballot to nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Mr. Poochigian moved to approve the ballot as distributed. Mr. Munski seconded and the motion carried.

11.
Mr. Harsell called attention to the Honorary Degree for 2017. Ms. Worley, chair of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee, presented a nomination from the College of Arts and Sciences after reviewing the SBHE policy. Mr. Gedafa moved to approve the nominee and Mr. Quinn seconded. A discussion ensued. The motion carried.

12.
Mr. Harsell called attention to a resolution regarding the library. Ms. Walker provided a quick overview of the resolution. Mr. Munski moved to endorse the resolution. Mr. Jendrysik seconded the motion. A discussion ensued. Ms. Weaver-Hightower made a friendly amendment to include outcomes of the roadmap in the library annual report. Mr. Munski agreed to the friendly amendment, as did Mr. Jendrysik. The discussion continued and the motion carried.

13.
Mr. Harsell called attention to the sponsored program direct charging policy. This item is something that should have been in the announcements. It will be open for public comment in the near future.

14.
Mr. Harsell called attention to a resolution authored by Senator Petros. Mr. Murphy distributed the resolution in Mr. Petros’ absence. Mr. Murphy explained the resolution. Mr. Munski moved to accept this resolution. Mr. Murphy seconded the motion. A discussion ensued.

Mr. Quinn moved to extend the meeting by 15 minutes. Mr. Munski seconded the motion and the motion carried. The discussion continued on the resolution at hand. Mr. Munski moved to table the motion until the next meeting. Mr. Stofferahn seconded and the motion to table carried.

15.
The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Scott Correll, Secretary
University Senate