Minutes of the University Senate Meeting
April 1, 2004

1.
The April meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:05 p.m. on Thursday, April 1, 2004 in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Walter Tschacher presided.

2.
The following members of the Senate were present:

- Alfonso, Peter
- Anderson, Amanda
- Baker, Adam
- Baldwin, Gayle
- Blackburn, Royce
- Boyd, Robert
- Bridewell, John
- Butler, Tanya
- Claflin, James
- Coleman, Joyce
- Crawford, Richard
- Dearden, Bruce
- Elbert, Dennis
- Elsinga, Lillian
- Erickson, Daniel
- Fivizzani, Albert
- Gallager, Robert
- Gard, Betty
- Goenner, Cullen
- Goodwin, Janice
- Handy-Marchello, Barb
- Heitkamp, Thomasine
- Helgeson, Diane
- Hoffmann, Mark
- Hume, Wendelin
- Kenville, Kimberly
- Keyser, Dorothy
- Krog, Nancy
- Kupchella, Charles
- Lee, Randy
- Lieberman, Victor
- McLennan, Kathleen
- Mochoruk, James
- Muggli, Darrin
- Munski, Doug
- Murphy, Eric
- Myrick, Matt
- Neuerburg, Linda
- Nutz, Amber
- Perry, David

3.
The following members of the Senate were absent:

- Benoit, Joseph
- Chen, Tar-Pin
- DeMers, Judy
- Dever, Adam
- Diez, Ray
- Doze, Van
- Effertz, Kayla
- Ettling, John
- Gust, Amber
- Jackson, Jon
- Jenniges, Sharleen
- Klumb, Travis
- Kweit, Mary
- LaDuke, John
- Marshall, David
- Myers, Bradley
- Nichols, Elizabeth
- Parrish, Brad
- Poochigian, Donald
- Potvin, Martha
- Rendahl, Stephen
- Rice, Daniel

4.
The Chair called for announcements.

A. Mr. Baker introduced the Student Body President-Elect, Jordan Schuetzle.
B. Mr. Baker announced awards from Student Government for the departments of Math, Teaching and Learning, and Nursing for getting all book orders in on time to the bookstore. Mr. Baker announced that faculty are well ahead of getting book orders in for this fall and commended the faculty for this service to students.

C. Ms. Goodwin announced that the pilot test of an expanded course description project is out on the web and encouraged Senators to take a look at it.

D. Mr. Kupchella announced that the North Dakota Attorney General ruled that any lists that Barnes and Noble possess are proprietary, but that information the University submits is an open record. He also stated that Mr. Ettling will work with the Senate Executive Committee to work on solutions.

5.

The Chair asked for corrections or additions to the March 4, 2004 minutes. The minutes were approved as distributed.

6.

The question period opened at 4:15 p.m. A senator asked Mr. Shaeffer about dial-in access to the modem pool for faculty. Mr. Shaeffer recognized Dorette Kerian to address the question. She stated that the institution spends about $60,000 per year on the modem pool, and that the modem pool was a business the University wanted to discontinue as it is becoming outdated. Mr. Shaeffer said that he is working with other vendors to provide other resources or solutions. Mr. Kupchella asked about national trends in providing these services. Mr. Shaeffer replied that he perceives that the trend is for universities to stop providing modem access. Ms. Coleman asked about separating some of the modems for faculty use only. Ms. Kerian replied that, in practice, that would not work well as the phone numbers would be shared and a small pool reserved for faculty would be filled quickly, rather than the more efficient means of logging into the next available modem. As a solution to the demand, they provided short-term modem pools to students and faculty to spread out the use. Mr. Lieberman asked about possible deals that might be worked out with vendors. Mr. Shaeffer replied that the discussions had included outsourcing the modem pools.

Mr. Lieberman moved that a resolution concerning the pay lag be placed on the business calendar as the first item. The motion was approved with 50 votes in favor and 5 abstentions.

The question period closed at 4:30 p.m.

7.

Mr. Lee moved to approve the annual reports of the Senate Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct Committee and the Senate Intercollegiate Athletics Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

8.
Mr. Lieberman moved to adopt a resolution that the UND University Senate protest the pay lag. The Senate discussed the resolution. A friendly amendment was offered by Ms. Coleman to replace the words "Beverly Clayburgh" with the words "a board member." The amendment was accepted by Mr. Lieberman. Mr. Blackburn suggested substituting the words "all affected" in the third paragraph from the bottom and this was accepted by Mr. Lieberman. Discussion continued. Mr. Lee offered a friendly amendment to strike the words "the use of their wages for 15 days" in the first paragraph of the resolution. Mr. Lieberman rejected this amendment. Ms. Coleman suggested to use the word "defer" instead of "deprive." Mr. Watson moved to table the motion indefinitely. The motion was defeated on a vote of 29 against with 25 in favor and 2 abstentions. Mr. Lieberman accepted the friendly amendment offered by Ms. Coleman. Mr. Murphy moved to table the motion until the next meeting. The motion carried on a vote of 42 in favor with 12 against and 2 abstentions.

9. Mr. Mochoruk moved to approve the Senate Curriculum report, and it was approved with 54 in favor and 1 abstention.

10. Mr. Mochoruk moved to approve the nominations for Senate Committees. The nominated committee members were approved unanimously.

11. Mr. Lee moved that the agenda item to consider the Policy on Faculty Pursuit of Advanced Degrees be tabled until the May agenda. The motion was approved with 53 in favor and 3 abstentions.

12. Mr. Mochoruk moved to approve the report from the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Experiential Learning. The Senate discussed. The motion was approved on a vote of 47 in favor and 2 against with 6 abstentions.

13. The Senate considered the proposal for a Center for Community Engagement. Mr. Schuetzle moved to recommend support for this proposal. The Senate discussed.

14. Ms. Rakow moved to extend the meeting for 10 minutes. The motion was approved.

15. The Senate approved the proposal for a Center for Community Engagement on a vote of 36 in favor and 9 against with 4 abstentions.
The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Nancy Krogh
Secretary to the Senate