



## Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes March 9, 2016

### I. Call to Order

Kari Arnoldsen, President Faculty Senate, called to order the regular meeting of the Faculty Senate at 3:35 pm on March 9, 2016 in the Lorenzo and Erastus Snow Conference Room.

### II. Roll Call

Members of the Senate Present: Kari Arnoldsen, Alan Palmer, Vance Larsen, Milinda Weeks, Jeff Carney, Erick Faatz, Jonathan Bodrero, Nick Marsing, Danni Larsen, Ted Olson, Katie Justeson and Kayla Christensen. Steve Hood also attended.

### III. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of February 10 and February 24, 2016 were reviewed. Jeff Carney made a motion to approve the minutes with Ted Olsen providing the second. The minutes were unanimously approved.

### IV. Open Issues and Committee Reports

Kari Arnoldsen then announced that Mike Brenchley was re-elected to serve a three-year term as an at-large faculty member on College Council. It appears that not all faculty received the Survey Monkey ballot so did not have the opportunity to vote. Specific issues of the cause of this error will be corrected prior to the next vote. The next election will be for the Richfield faculty representative on College Council.

Ted Olson has announced his resignation as the Faculty Association President. A Survey Monkey ballot will be sent to all full-time faculty members to elect his replacement to be effective Fall 2017.

Members of the Senate were reminded that the divisions of Business & Technology, Natural Science & Mathematics, Humanities and Social & Behavioral Sciences need to select a representative to serve on Faculty Senate for a three-year term. Newly elected Senators will assume their office on July 1, 2016.

Steve Hood then discussed the highlights of legislative activities. USHE will see a 2.5 to 4% increase in tuition. Snow received the additional \$4.7 million needed for the construction of the Science Building. Snow also received approval to purchase the property in Richfield.

Kari Arnoldsen then reported on concerns raised in their division meeting on the question of what Faculty Senate really does. The Senate is an appeal body but has no real power. The following are subcommittees of the Senate: Advancement and Tenure, Curriculum,



Faculty Development, Global Engagement, Honors, Library, Professional Track, Service Learning and TTC.

The faculty development meeting held in Moab was very beneficial. Faculty would like more information on FERPA and first aid training. First aid kits and defibrillators are located in the GSC, Lucy Phillips and Social Science buildings. Faculty should be trained on their location and how to use the defibrillators.

A discussion was then held on the calendar and the semester schedule. Concern was expressed on the semester start date, timing of spring break, Maymester, etc. Nick Marsing will obtain information on the pedagogy of the timing of spring break and how the scheduling of spring break impacts student learning, etc. Danni Larsen will obtain the number of students who are registered for Maymester this year.

A discussion on the status of the intellectual property policy for Snow was held. Morris Haggerty, Snow's legal counsel, will be approached about drafting the policy. Milinda Weeks has been asked about selling her set designs, etc. It was determined that she owned her designs and is able to sell them as she wishes.

There being no further discussion a motion was made by Nick Marsing and seconded by Jonathan Bodrero the meeting was adjourned at 4:48 pm. The next regularly scheduled Faculty Senate meeting is Wednesday, March 23, 2016 in the Lorenzo and Erastus Snow Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Ann Walker, CPS