



Faculty Senate Meeting Notes
April 27, 2022

I. Call to Order

Larry Smith called to order the regular meeting of the Snow College Faculty Senate at 3:30 p.m., April 27, 2022. The Senate met face-to-face in the Noyes, Academy Room with Zoom video conferencing available.

II. Roll Call

Senate Members: Senate President Larry Smith, Senate Vice President Jed Rasmussen, Matt Gowans, Jacob Thomas, Weston Jamison, Alan Christensen, Dennis Schugk, Sandra Cox, Karen Carter, Adam Burningham, Faculty Association President Garth Sorenson, Senate Parliamentarian Erick Faatz, senators-elect Trent Fawcett and Andrew Bahlmann

Others: President Bradley Cook, Provost Melanie Jenkins, Assistant Provost Kade Parry, A&T Committee Chair Steve Zollinger, GE Committee Chair and Member Lorie Hughes and Kristi Stevens, Honors Committee Co-chair Kellyanne Ure

III. Minutes Approval

A. Minutes approved for April 13, 2022. Motion made by D. Schugk, second by M. Gowans with a unanimous vote of approval.

IV. Opening and Informational Items

A. Welcome from L. Smith especially to members of the Diversity, Inclusion and Globalization Committee.

V. Good News and Committee Reports

A. A & T Committee: See agenda item below.

B. Curriculum Committee: S. Cox indicated that the committee is reviewing the Academic Integrity Policy. S. Cox's meeting with the General Education Committee did not go as well as hoped. Some committee members felt that there was a lack of communication then all of a sudden the Senate wanted a voting member on the committee. The majority of committee members are probably okay with a Senate representative as a non-voting liaison but many are not happy with recent Senate actions regarding the GE Committee. Some feel that a Curriculum Committee member attending the General Education Committee and visa versa should be enough representational oversight. There is already a division representative imbalance on the committee with three at-large members. A voting Senate representative could make that worse.

C. Teaching and Learning Center Committee: A. Christensen indicated no committee report.

D. Professional Track Committee: K. Carter reported that they will hold a meeting soon. There were not any advancements this year but they plan to create a review list for next year.

E. Diversity, Inclusion, and Globalization Committee: W. Jamison indicated that the Expect the Great Conference, hosted by Snow College, went quite well for a Zoom conference with 50-70 students attending. A new chair for the DIG Committee has been chosen but not announced.

F. Honors Committee: See related agenda item.

G. Library Committee: J. Rasmussen indicated that the recent survey will be present. Faculty members should be encouraged to complete the library survey. The committee recently held their last meeting of the semester. Meeting with the Senate was a very positive experience. Let the library know what you and your constituents need.

H. Service Learning Committee: D. Schugk reported that Jon Pugmire is the new Service Learning Director.

I. Faculty Association: G. Sorenson indicated that in a 4:30-5:15 p.m., Friday, April 15, 2022 meeting, there will be a proposal to change the voting system for election of officers.

J. Adjunct Information: A. Burningham indicated that it has been difficult to contact adjuncts but that he has talked with some about summer and fall courses. They are happy to have the work. They should have pay raises by fall semester if not by summer 2022.

K. Student Information: No report.

L. Ad Hoc/Other:

1. Academic Standards Committee: A. Bahlmann reported that there is a possibility that the new Senate representative would replace one of three faculty representatives chosen by the Curriculum Committee in the past.

2. Senate President, Faculty Association President, and Provost Meeting: L. Smith reported that regular meetings with Provost Jenkins are going well. It came up in a recent meeting that faculty members might not be aware how close a recent merger proposal of Snow College with a Utah university came to happening. Maybe the Senate should write a resolution

letter opposing a merger attempting to not alarm faculty members. The resolution should probably be a general statement against merger with any university. The open resolution could be used by President Cook or others opposed to a merger. An ad hoc subcommittee including J. Thomas, A. Bahlmann, and T. Fawcett will work on a draft to be discussed via email.

VI. Senate Business

A. Senate Bylaws Discussion

1. Faculty Association Officer Relationship to the Faculty Senate and College Council

2. General Education (GE) Committee Bylaws Revision Proposal
(Withdrawn as an agenda item by S. Cox after the final Senate meeting agenda had been sent out.)

a. A motion was made by M. Gowans with a second by J. Thomas, two votes against and one abstention, to suspend full implementation of current Faculty Senate Bylaws Section 3.7 "Each committee and subcommittee of the Faculty Senate will include a senator as a voting member." The motion is to have a senator assigned to serve on the General Education Subcommittee for the 2022-2023 academic year but not as a voting member until July 1, 2023 when Section 3.7 will be fully implemented, at which time and going forward, the senator assigned to the GE Committee will be a voting member of that committee.

President Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 14, 2022.

Minutes taken by Erick Faatz

Revised 5/2/2022 by Erick Faatz

Revised 9/12/2022 by Jacob Thomas

Final minutes approved 9/14/22 by the Senate

Submitted 9/16/22 by Jacob Thomas