

**FACULTY SENATE  
UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING  
Laramie, Wyoming**

Minutes of the Meeting  
of  
March 31, 2014

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Colin Keeney at 3:10 p.m., on March 31, 2014, in the Family Room of the Wyoming Union.

The roll call was taken by Secretary Jennifer Petrie, with the following members recorded absent or not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Chichester, Deckert, Downs, Gigley, Hvidston, Jackson, Latchininsky, Lee, Means, J., Murphy, Prewett, Readdy.

The agenda was approved as distributed.

The minutes of the meeting of February 24, 2014, were approved as distributed.

Chair Keeney announced that Dr. Bart Geerts, Professor of Atmospheric Science, was given the spring Faculty Senate Speaker Series award; his talk will take place on April 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:10 p.m., in CR 306. Keeney also announced that John Masterson, an attorney from Casper, was interviewed by the Executive Committee, and appointed by the president for a three-year term, to be faculty dispute resolution hearing officer should a hearing be necessary in faculty dispute matters. Keeney reported on the Board of Trustees' meeting and spoke about the topic of tuition increases for compensation funding decisions.

ASUW President Brett Kahler reported on topics ASUW is working on, including elections taking place for student body officers, and that legislation regarding tuition and student fees has been finalized. He noted that the student memorial project will be carried forward to next year. They are also participating in the strategic planning process.

Staff Senator Erin Essary, Staff Senate liaison, reported they passed legislation for a staff salary matrix, and they are working on organizing Staff Recognition Day to be held April 16.

Senator Christi Boggs, member of the WyoCourses Implementation and Training Committee, and chair of the Academic Information Technology Committee, announced that eCollege/eCompanion and all contents will no longer exist after June 30, and Course Studio will no longer exist after May 16.

Senator Phil Wille, member of the UW Athletics Planning Committee, distributed material containing student athletic academic data, and summarized the information.

Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs Maggi Murdock reported on working at the department/college program level regarding the university strategic plan which will go to the trustees for approval in November 2014. She spoke about the science initiative and the salary distribution plan. There was a question, answer and discussion period following her report.

President Dick McGinity reviewed budgetary outcomes from the legislative session, and spoke about compensation and the energy/engineering initiative. There was a question, answer and discussion period following his report.

Janean Forsyth Lefevre, Diversity Outreach Recruiter from Human Resources, gave an overview of the required OFCCP Diversity Training.

Chair Keeney called for nominations from the floor for a one-year term for member-at-large, and a one-year term for secretary. There were none. He advised that Senator Janet Dewey will run for secretary rather than member-at-large as previously nominated. Senator Robert Sprague and Senator Dewey gave their campaign speeches; elections will take place at the April meeting.

Immediate Past Chair Michael Barker, on behalf of the Executive Committee and the Student Interaction Committee, introduced Faculty Senate Bill 326, "A Bill to Revise UW Regulations 8-238 'Procedures for Change of Registration,' and 6-715 'Scholastic Probation, Suspension, Reinstatement and Academic Renewal for Undergraduate Students Specifically by Changing the Repeat Grade Policy.'" Kimberly Miller, chair of the Student Interaction Committee, stated the committee's involvement.

Claudia Thompson, chair of the Academic Planning Committee, introduced Faculty Senate Bill 327, "A Bill to Revise UW Regulations 6-404 'University Undergraduate Degree Requirements,' 6-407 'University Studies Program,' 6-712 'Physical Education Requirements,' and 6-714 'Freshman English Graduation Requirement.'"

Cheryl Goldenstein, chair of the Committee on Committees, introduced Faculty Senate Bill 328, "A Bill to Revise University Regulation 6-702, 'Establishment of Faculty Senate Committees.'"

Cliff Marks, member of the Faculty Academic Standards, Rights and Responsibilities Committee, introduced Faculty Senate Bill 329, "A Bill to Revise UW Regulation 5-1 'Academic Personnel.'"

After introduction of the bills, Chair Keeney explained that after discussing the legislation with department colleagues, any amendments are to be sent to the Faculty Senate office prior to the April meeting for dissemination to the senate. Discussion and vote will take place at the April meeting.

Chair Keeney moved the senate to Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Jennifer Petrie

Secretary of the Faculty Senate