

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

Minutes of the Meeting
of
September 30, 2013

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Colin Keeney at 3:10 p.m., on September 30, 2013, 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: Anderson, A., Dillon, Drummond, Hartman, Johnson, T.

The agenda, as amended, was approved as distributed.

The minutes of the meeting of April 29, 2013, were approved as distributed.

For his report, Chair Keeney stated the Executive Committee has been meeting since the end of August, and he has been attending Deans' and Directors' meetings through the summer and ASUW and Staff Senate meetings regularly since the beginning of the semester. He briefed the senate on the policy of introducing legislation at an initial meeting with full discussion and probable vote at the next consecutive meeting. This is in order to allow time for senators to take the issue back to departments for input and discussion. He also explained the procedure of allowing all senators time to speak once before speaking again. He welcomed all new senators and thanked continuing senators.

ASUW President Brett Kahler, reported on activities ASUW is undertaking. Some of those topics include: meeting with administrators, looking at funding issues such as tuition and student fees, and community college outreach. He expressed appreciation to the Faculty Senate and to all faculty across campus.

Caroline Johnson, Staff Senate liaison, reported on activities Staff Senate has been and will be undertaking this year. Some of those topics include: service projects such as collecting box tops for charity, a holiday food drive, highway cleanup day, and Staff Recognition Day.

President Bob Sternberg reported on items that he intends to have stay the same at UW while he is president, such as: values pertinent to land-grant universities; hiring practices; tenure and promotion; sabbaticals; transparency in faculty, staff and administrator searches and hirings; and plans regarding UP4 and the humanities center. A question and answer period followed the report.

It was moved and seconded to ratify the nominees for Faculty Senate standing committee members and chair. Ratification carried.

Chair Keeney called for nominations from the floor for member-at-large. There being none, the nominations were closed, and Ken Chestek, nominee from the Executive Committee Nominating Committee, gave a stump speech. Election will be at the October senate meeting.

Christie Boggs, serving on the LMS Review steering committee, introduced other committee members, Larry Jansen, Meg Van Baalen-Wood and Jen Chavez. The steering committee gave an overview of the Learning Management System that was selected to be used at UW, WyoCourses. The new system will be the sole system

used and will be fully implemented by May 2014. There was a question and answer period following the presentation. The committee advised further information can be found at <http://www.uwyo.edu/wyocourses/>.

Steve Barrett, chair of University Studies Review Task Force—Stage 3: Implementation, gave a history of the USP review process and gave an overview of the findings of the TF3 committee. He stated that comments and suggestions are welcome to be sent directly to him or others on the TF3 committee and information can be found at <http://www.uwyo.edu/unst/index.html>. Ed Janak, chair-elect of the senate, and serving on the TF3 committee, introduced Senate Resolution 322, “Resolution in Support of University Studies Review Task Force 3 Report: *University Studies Program 2015*.” There was a question and answer period, and the senate was asked to gather input from their departments about the USP Task Force 3 Report, “University Studies Program 2015” and the senate resolution. Discussion will be held on the documents at the October senate meeting.

It was moved and seconded to approve Senate Resolution 320, “A Resolution to Nominate Myron B. Allen for a Trustees’ Award of Merit for His Service to the University of Wyoming as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.” After discussion, the resolution carried unanimously.

Chair Keeney explained the origination of the “Amendment to Previously Adopted Faculty Senate Bill 324, As Amended” and Michael Barker, immediate past chair and parliamentarian, explained parliamentary procedure for processing the amendment. After discussion, it was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the changes to previously adopted Senate Bill 324, as amended.

Jennifer Petrie, as past chair of the Faculty Development Committee, introduced Senate Resolution 321, “A Resolution in Support of a 20 Percent Salary Increase for Promotion to Full Professor and Academic Professionals Promoted to Senior Status.” There was a question and answer period, and the resolution will be brought back to the senate for discussion at the October meeting.

Chair Keeney moved the senate to Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

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Jennifer Petrie
Secretary of the Faculty Senate