

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

Minutes of the Meeting
of
October 27, 2014

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Edward Janak at 3:10 p.m., on October 27, 2014, in the Family Room of the Wyoming Union.

The roll call was taken by Secretary Janet Dewey, with the following members recorded absent or not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Buckner, Johnson, T., Navratil, Murphy, Williams.

The agenda was approved as distributed.

The minutes of the meeting of September 29, 2014, were approved as distributed.

Janak announced there will be a get-together with members of the Board of Trustees, hosted by the Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, and ASUW, at the Hilton Garden Inn, at 7 p.m., November 12, 2014. He also announced the Faculty Senate Speakers Series awardee for fall semester is Dr. Kenneth W. W. Sims, professor of Geology and Geophysics. His talk will be at 4:10 p.m., November 10, 2014, at the Berry Center Auditorium. Janak reported that the Graduate Council, the Research Advisory Committee, and the Academic Planning Committee were charged by the Executive Committee to review whether state funding for Next Generation Science Standards affected their committees' purviews, and based on their reviews, it was determined not to forward legislation to the senate in that regard. Additionally, Janak requested nominations for full-time, tenured faculty to serve on the Faculty Dispute Resolution Panel.

ASUW president Ahmed Balogun reported that WyoVocal is up and running. Other issues ASUW is addressing are a smoke-free campus, weapons on campus, and the proposed tuition policy.

Staff Senate president Rachel Stevens announced they won Best Float in the Homecoming parade, and reported they are reviewing e-cigs on campus, and a possible resolution regarding concealed-carry on campus. She added Staff Senate is conducting a survey regarding staff benefits, i.e., UW's leave policy and the evaluation process.

Debora Person, chair of the Faculty Senate Budget Planning Committee, explained the function of the committee, and reported on recent budget activities they have worked on. She advised there is a guide for Budget Planning Committee information on the Libraries' Website at <http://libguides.uwyo.edu/budget>.

Samara Madrid, chair of the Faculty Senate University Studies Committee, explained the function of the committee, and reported they have been reviewing the COM 1 and 2 series and the First Year Seminar series for USP 2015.

Vice President for Academic Affairs David Jones reported the searches are underway for the Law, Business, Engineering and Education deans' searches. He also announced the UP4 draft document can be found on the Academic Affairs Website at http://www.uwyo.edu/acadaffairs/plans/14-20/up4_draft.pdf. He reported he plans to meet with all department heads to give them a chance to voice their concerns, and confirmed that the reappointment, tenure and appointment process is not going to change.

Paul Heimer, executive director of Albany County United Way, and Ann and Evan Brande, campaign co-chairs, presented this year's goal for the United Way campaign and thanked the Faculty Senate for their support.

Seth Cude, president of the UWYO Sustainability Club, told about the club's function and activities being undertaken. He can be reached at scude1@uwyo.edu for information.

Election of a one-year term member-at-large was held by secret ballot, with Senator Donal O'Toole being elected.

Senator Tucker Readdy, chair-elect of the Faculty Senate, announced he will be accepting nominations for chair-elect, secretary, and three-members-at-large. One of the members-at-large is for the spring 2015 through spring 2016 unexpired term, while the other nominations are to commence fall 2015. Campaign speeches will be held in January 2015 and the election in February.

Janak opened the floor for discussion of Senate Bill 330, "A Bill to Revise UW Regulation 5-803, Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion Procedures for University Faculty." After discussion, it was moved and seconded to send the bill back definitely to committee, specifically to the University Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion Committee. The vote was 43 in favor, 5 opposed, 4 abstentions.

Janak opened the floor for discussion of Senate Bill 331, "A Bill to Revise UW Regulation 5-1, Academic Personnel." No discussion. The vote was 48 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Janak opened the floor for discussion of Senate Resolution 325, Resolution Against State Preemption of Regulation of Firearms on UW Campuses" and stated that the proposed amendments received and distributed prior to the meeting would be addressed first. Discussion was held on Senator O'Toole's proposed amendment, "Whereas, no guns other than those carried by law enforcement personnel are permitted in specific locations in Wyoming, including the capital building." UWPD Sergeant Chad Bade provided pros and cons to the resolution and Staff Senate president Rachel Stevens gave that group's perspective. Senator Anderson-Sprecher suggested adding "courts and" after "including." O'Toole accepted that as a friendly amendment, and suggested putting the amendment at Line 35. Amendment carried with 46 in favor, 2 opposed. Janak's proposed amendment to change the regulation citing in Line 14 to read "Regulation 2-178 Section VI (G)" in order to keep in line with current UW regulation references, carried unanimously, with no discussion. Discussion was held on Janak's proposed amendment to change the title of the resolution to read "A Resolution in Favor of State Retention of Current Statutes Regarding Concealed Carry on UW Campuses." After several friendly amendments were accepted and rejected, the final wording "A Resolution in Favor of State Retention of Current UW Regulation of Firearms on UW Campuses" carried, with 27 in favor, 16 opposed, and 2 abstentions. O'Toole moved, and it was seconded, to amend by adding, toward the end of the resolution, "Whereas, students and UW employees who think they are threatened can obtain a permit to carry a gun on campus by written application to UW's police department." Discussion on the proposed amendment. A

hand count was taken to confirm a quorum was still present, which it was. Discussion. The quorum was lost, so the vote on the amendment and the rest of business on the agenda was postponed to the November meeting.

The senate went into Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

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Janet Dewey

Secretary of the Faculty Senate