

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

Minutes of the Meeting
of
December 15, 2015

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Edward Janak at 3:10 p.m., on December 15, 2014, in Room 134 of the Gateway Center.

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: Andersen, M., Anderson, D., Eisenhauer, Ferre-Pikal, Garnich, Gigley, Harkin, Huizinga, Johnson, P., Johnson, T., Landreville, McDonald, McGee, Mealor, Michalak, Painter, Raddaoui, Shepherd, Tolo.

Due to a scheduling conflict, the agenda was amended to first have Charles Pelkey, Albany County State Representative, speak regarding the upcoming legislative session. He asked that any ideas desired to be addressed be sent to charles.pelkey@wyoleg.gov or call his office at 745-3031. There was a question and answer discussion period, in which he addressed topics such as UW employee compensation, *ad hoc* committees, the Science Initiative, the repeal of Citizens United, and the Board of Trustees political composition.

Chris Boswell, Vice President for Government and Community Affairs, gave an overview of the supplemental budget request as well as the Governor's recommendations.

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda, as amended. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to approve ratification of a standing committee member nominee. Motion carried.

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 332, "A Bill to Revise UW Regulation 6-702, Establishment of Faculty Senate Committees." Senate Bill 332 carried unanimously with no discussion.

Janak opened the floor for discussion of Senate Resolution 326, "Resolution for Gender Parity on UW's Board of Trustees." After discussion of several friendly amendments to change the title, it was approved to change from "Resolution for Gender Parity on UW's Board of Trustees" to read "Resolution for Parity of Women and Men on UW's Board of Trustees." Senator Groose moved, and it was seconded, to add "to be approved with the advice and consent of the Senate of the State of Wyoming" to the end of line 10, to read, "Whereas, in 2015 the Governor of Wyoming will nominate at least four new members to

the University of Wyoming's Board of Trustees to be approved with the advice and consent of the Senate of the State of Wyoming." With discussion, the amendment carried. Senator Groose moved, and it was seconded, to change the paragraph beginning at line 39 to read, "Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate requests the Governor of Wyoming nominate more female Trustees to be approved by the Wyoming Senate so that the Board more closely approximates gender parity and thereby more fully represents all the people of Wyoming." After discussion of several friendly amendments, that paragraph was approved to read, "Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate requests the Governor of Wyoming nominate more women to the Board of Trustees to be approved by the Wyoming Senate so that the Board more closely approximates parity of women and men and thereby more fully represents all the people of Wyoming." After further discussion, Faculty Senate Resolution 326, as amended, passed with 38 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention.

Janak announced an *ad hoc* advisory committee of previous senate chairs to address shared governance issues has been formed and sent a charge. Those on the committee are Ken Gerow, Steve Bieber, Warrie Means, and Caroline McCracken-Flesher. Janak stated if anyone wishes to provide input, to contact him.

The senate went into Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

/s/

Janet Dewey

Secretary of the Faculty Senate