

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

Minutes of the Meeting  
of  
October 26, 2015

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Tucker Readdy at 3:10 p.m., on October 26, 2015, in Room 212, Wyoming Family Room, Wyoming Union.

The roll call was taken by Senator and Member-at-Large Janet Dewey in the absence of Secretary Donal O'Toole, with the following members recorded absent or not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Ferre-Pikal, Gardzelewski, Kidwell, Murphy, O'Toole, Weber.

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

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

Chair Readdy reported on the progress of the presidential search. He also reported that members of the Deans' and Directors' Council met with the UW Foundation for an informational meeting regarding funding matters.

President McGinity reported on the recently-released State of Wyoming Consensus Revenue Estimating Group (CREG) report, and that the Governor has asked all State agencies to be prudent with management of expenditures. He advised the hiring freeze will be in effect at least until November 5, following the President's meeting with the Governor to discuss the current and upcoming biennial budget. There was a question-answer-discussion period following his report.

Vice President for Academic Affairs David Jones followed up on the president's report, adding that he has solicited exception requests from Deans to extend hiring offers during the current hiring freeze, and that AY 2016-17 hiring is on hold at least until after the Governor's meeting of November 4. There was a question-answer-discussion period following his report.

ASUW President Brian Schueler spoke regarding what that body is involved in, such as: the upcoming Leadership Conference; the legislative lobbying agenda for faculty and staff salary support; tuition increases; the presidential search; budget issues affecting students for events that are mainstays of campus student events; and e-cigarettes on campus.

There was no Staff Senate report.

Oneida Blagg, Director of the Department of Employment Practices and Diversity, reported that department has been reorganized and talked about the changes and the revision of hiring processes.

Scott Shaw, chair-elect and chair of the Nominating Committee, announced a call for nominations for senate officers for next year. Those offices are chair-elect, secretary, and two members-at-large, and chair-elect Shaw explained those duties. Campaign speeches will be held at the January 2016 senate meeting, with elections held at the February 2016 meeting.

Readdy called for ratification of the standing committee member nominees listed with the agenda. Ratification carried unanimously.

Senate Resolution 329, "A Resolution in Support of Graduate Council's Report, 'Position Paper: 3+2 Graduate Degree Programs'" was introduced by Ben Rashford, Graduate Council chair. There was a question and answer period following his introduction. Discussion and vote will take place at the November senate meeting.

Renee Laegraed, Associate Professor of History, spoke about forming an American Association of University Professors (AAUP) chapter at UW. There was a question and answer period following her announcement.

Discussion and feedback from senators was given regarding suggestions for the distribution of monies garnered from the proposed 4% tuition increase. The Budget Planning Committee will summarize the suggestions for a report to be given to the Board of Trustees in November.

Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

/s/

Tucker Readdy, Chair  
Faculty Senate for  
Donal O'Toole, Secretary