

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

Minutes of the Meeting
of
November 16, 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 November 16, 2015, in Room 212, Wyoming Family Room, Wyoming Union.

The roll call was taken by Secretary Donal O'Toole, with the following members recorded absent or not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Aiken, Bardsley, Cline, Dutta, Gigley, Ipina, Janus, McDonald, Minckley, Murphy, Ohara.

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 that the Chairs' Council *ad hoc* committee will email to senators a survey they drafted regarding the current role of the Faculty Senate. The council is composed of past senate chairs, Ken Gerow, Steve Bieber, Warrie Means, Caroline McCracken-Flesher, Deborah McGriff, and Cindy Price Schultz. He also advised that the Graduate Council is working on the charge of who can serve on graduate committees; their report will be forthcoming soon. He further advised he will be attending the November Board of Trustees' meeting, and that the next senate meeting will be December 7.

Vice President for Academic Affairs David Jones reported on the budget and the state's fiscal situation, and the meeting with the Governor held November 4. He advised that the exception requests for this fiscal year were discussed at the meeting, and that the hiring freeze is still in a holding pattern. VP Jones also reported that improving diversity efforts are underway and that it is the intention of President McGinity to establish the position of Coordinator of Diversity. There was a question-answer-discussion period during and following his report.

President of Staff Senate Arron Sullivent reported that Staff Recognition Day has to be rescheduled, so reorganizing is underway for that event. He advised that body has passed a resolution to institute the outstanding supervisor award. There was a question-answer-discussion period during and following his report.

Oneida Blagg, Director of the Department of Employment Practices and Diversity, spoke regarding consultation with her department at the start of searches and the process for doing so. There was a question-answer-discussion period during and following his report.

Scott Shaw, chair-elect and chair of the Nominating Committee, made a second call for nominations for senate officers for next year. Candidates to-date are: Carolyn Anderson, chair-elect; Donal O'Toole, secretary; Tim Slater, Kevin Inouye, Nicole Lamartine, Adrienne Freng, member-at-large.

Senate Resolution 329, "A Resolution in Support of Graduate Council's Report, 'Position Paper: 3+2 Graduate Degree Programs'" was brought to the floor for discussion. Discussion. Senate Resolution 329 passed 45 in favor, 7 opposed.

Senate Resolution 330, "A Resolution in Support of UW Staff Senate Resolution #210 and ASUW Resolution #2477 to amend University of Wyoming Regulation 2-180 to include 'electronic cigarette' language," was brought to the floor for introduction. Staff Senate President Arron Sullivent gave background of that body's resolution which was adopted in April 2015, and advised that ASUW has adopted a resolution supporting Staff Senate's resolution. There was a question and answer period following the introduction. Discussion and vote will be held at the December senate meeting.

Senate Resolution 331, "A Resolution in Support of The University of Wyoming's NSF ADVANCE Proposal," was brought to the floor for introduction. Senator Eva Ferre-Pikal gave background on the proposal. There was a question and answer period following the introduction. Discussion and vote will be held at the December senate meeting.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn to Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Donal O'Toole
Secretary