

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

Minutes of the Meeting
of
September 28, 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 September 28, 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: Boggs, Haney, Johnson, P., Kidwell, Landreville, McDonald, Murphy.

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

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Chair Readdy went over his four priorities for this year, those being: to have continued, meaningful involvement in the presidential search process; to take measurable steps in reforming the Graduate School; to undertake a study of faculty salary compression; and completion of the Revisor's Bill. He also went over the steps already taken toward accomplishment of these goals.

President McGinity touched on matters of importance to him until the new president is hired, some of which are: to assist, upon request, to ensure the search is successful and to organize an orderly transition; to prepare students to succeed in a global economy and to measure progress toward increasing scholarly excellence; to deepen engagement to colleagues across the state.

Vice President for Academic Affairs David Jones reported that several workshops have been held for: addressing policies and procedures for new department heads; orientation for new faculty; community college articulation. He added there are two searches to be underway for the director of the American Heritage Center and for the dean of UW Libraries.

ASUW Vice President Emily Kath spoke regarding what that body is involved in, such as: the presidential search; the Student Memorial Plaza; forming a Digital Information Privacy taskforce with the Legislature; creating an opinion with the Faculty Senate with regard to tuition increases for presentation to the Board of Trustees; Homecoming; The Big Event for community outreach.

Staff Senate President Arron Sullivent reported on activities that group is undertaking, such as: two raffles; locating a new venue for Staff Recognition Day; follow-up on the resolution regarding disallowing e-cigarettes on campus that was passed by Staff Senate in April 2015.

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

Members of the Presidential Search Committee #1, Mike Massie, Deborah McGriff, Jacquelyn Bridgeman, Mark Gunnerson, and Noah Hull asked for input from the senators regarding desired characteristics the new president should have. Senators voiced their ideas. There was a question, answer, discussion period for the committee.

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Anne Alexander gave a presentation on managing UW's undergraduate enrollment growth, and it was followed by a discussion period.

Chair Readdy asked senators to get feedback from their department colleagues for the October senate meeting for suggestions of how to use the 4% tuition increase allocation. Discussion was held on the topic.

Senator Donal O'Toole announced there have been discussions about creating an AAUP (American Association of University Professors) chapter at UW, and asked for anyone interested to contact him.

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Donal O'Toole
Secretary of the Faculty Senate