

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

Minutes of the Meeting
of
December 5, 2016

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Scott Shaw at 3:10 p.m., on December 5, 2016, 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: Buckner, Gardzelewski, Goual, Ipiña, Johnson, E., Miller, Murphy, Painter, Weber.

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

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of November 14, 2016. Motion carried.

Chair Shaw spoke in regard to the special election to be held at the January meeting for member-at-large. He reported that ASUW passed a resolution in support of the Faculty Senate resolution requesting restoration of retirement benefits. There was a question and answer period following his report.

Tami Benham-Deal, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, reported on behalf of Provost Kate Miller. She gave a presentation of updates and timelines for the processes being conducted for Academic Program Elimination Review, Strategic Planning, Voluntary Separation Incentive Program, and the Reorganization of Academic Affairs. There was a question and answer period following her presentation.

ASUW President Michael Rotellini reported on recent legislation introduced and voted on by ASUW, and on activities that ASUW is currently undertaking. Legislation topics included: Support of UW pet-friendly housing; art on campus; ASUW agenda prioritization; support of professor of practice designation.

Staff Senate President Mark Gunnerson the annual holiday food drive and a meat raffle are currently going on for faculty and staff members in need.

Chair-Elect Barker announced that nominations are being accepted for officers for 2017-2018, specifically for chair-elect, secretary, and two members-at-large. The deadline for nominations is January 18, 2017.

Chair Shaw called for nominations from the floor for member-at-large, for spring semester 2017. There being none, campaign speeches were given by Senator Kevin Inouye and Senator Justin Piccorelli, nominates of the Nominating Committee.

Senate Resolution 334, as amended, was introduced by Senator Christi Boggs. It was moved and seconded to vote on the resolution. Discussion, motion carried. Upon vote, Senate Resolution 334, as amended, unanimously carried.

Vice President for Administration Bill Mai spoke on clarifying and explaining the sick leave conversion benefit. There was a question and answer and discussion period during and following his talk.

Chair Shaw led discussion on academic program elimination reviews as they pertain to UW Regulations 6-43 and 6-702, and advised that the Academic Planning Committee is to report on all proposed program eliminations.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott R. Shaw". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Scott R. Shaw, Chair of the Faculty Senate
for Donal O'Toole, Secretary

Date: January 18, 2017