

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

Minutes of the Meeting
of
March 27, 2017

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Scott Shaw at 3:10 p.m., on March 27, 2017, 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: Anderson, Boggs, Buckner, Cai, Gigley, Ipina, Miller, Norton, J., Piccorelli, Stone.

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

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017. Motion carried.

Chair Shaw reported on what the Executive Committee has been doing, and noted that the Academic Planning Committee and the Graduate Council have been busy reviewing the proposed program eliminations, and the Executive Committee supported their final recommendations. He thanked the committees for the hard work they've put in this year. Shaw also reported that the Executive Committee has been discussing the proposal to create an Honors College. The Academic Planning Committee and the Budget Planning Committee reviewed the report of the honors taskforce, and their reports have been forwarded to the honors task force.

Provost Kate Miller reported on the recent Board of Trustees meeting, and noted UW regulation revisions regarding Academic Affairs reorganization were approved by the Board. Academic Affairs is working on several initiatives, including the search for associate vice president for enrollment management; Honors College discussions; status of dissolving the Outreach School; upcoming budget FY18 meetings; Strategic Enrollment Management initiative; VSIP acceptance letters being sent; academic program elimination review going forward after receiving reports from Faculty Senate; strategic plan draft has been given to the Board of Trustees and town halls are being scheduled for draft plan discussions; searches ongoing for Haub School dean, director/dean of Honors College, and interim AVP for graduate studies. A question and answer period followed her report.

ASUW President Michael Rotellini reported on recent legislation introduced and voted on by ASUW, and on activities that ASUW is currently undertaking.

Staff Senate President Mark Gunnerson reported they have passed two resolutions regarding waiving program fees and longevity pay for staff members. He announced Staff Recognition Day is set for April 10.

Lena Newlin, Assistant Director of Wellness, announced they are administering a faculty and staff health assessment survey and encouraged faculty to participate.

Faculty Senate Resolution 337, "Resolution for Parity of Women and Men on UW's Board of Trustees," was brought to the floor. Senator O'Toole moved, and it was seconded, to introduce the amended version distributed to the senators; he gave the rationale for the amended version. Motion carried to accept the amended version for discussion. After several grammatical changes were moved and accepted, Senator Freng moved to add the paragraph to line 33 to read "And whereas, Trustees are expected to represent various interests of the public at large, and to reflect the concerns of Wyoming's citizens to the University" and adding the footnote that was in Senate Resolution 326. Motion seconded, and after discussion, carried. Senator Marks moved to add "gender" to line 49 to read ". . . for greater gender diversity. . ." Motion seconded and carried. Senator Readdy moved to add all footnotes, updated, taken from Senate Resolution 326, with a cover letter to President Nichols with the Executive Committee reviewing prior to sending. Motion seconded and carried. Marks called the question, which carried. Senate Resolution 337, as amended, carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 4:43 p.m.



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

Date: April 13, 2017