A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Michael Barker at 3:10 p.m., on November 27, 2017, in Room 212, Wyoming Family Room, Wyoming Union.

The roll call was taken by Secretary Janet Dewey, with the following members recorded absent or not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Buckner, Clennan, Estes, Gigley, Hall, Johnson, E., Lake, McElwain, Murphy, Norton, J., Painter, and Western.

Chair Barker called for a motion to approve the agenda; seconded and carried.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 13, 2017. Motion carried.

Chair Barker reported on the Board of Trustees meeting of November 15-17, 2017. He advised that they approved the program fees proposal. He also reported that he met with the Trustee Regulation Committee, President Nichols, Provost Miller, Counsel Evans, along with senate member-at-large Ken Chestek, to discuss the concerns regarding the proposed UW Regulation 1-101.

Nichols updated the senate on issues the administration has been working on. Topics included the Salary Policy Task Force; program fees; UW regulation revisions. She spoke regarding proposed UW Regulation 1-101 with assurances that that there is no intention to take away tenure. She also spoke about the ENDOW program; and the intention to distribute to the UW community the “Great Colleges to Work For” survey put out by the Chronicle of Higher Education that is meant to determine job satisfaction and perception of all UW employees. There was a question and answer period following her report.

Chair-Elect Donal O’Toole gave a report on nominations he has received for next year’s officers, and spoke regarding the importance of having a strong leadership in the Faculty Senate.

General Counsel Tara Evans gave an overview of the regulatory restructure, and specifically, Section 2 – Academic regulations. There was a question and answer period following her overview.

Chair Barker brought to the floor for introduction Faculty Senate Resolution 338, “Resolution in Support of General Counsel Proposed UW Regulations 6-719, Assessment of Prior and Sponsored Experiential Learning; 8-3, Admission of Students; 8-242, Students Receiving US Department of Veterans Affairs Educational Benefits; 8-246, Registrar; 8-247, Requirements for Student Participation in the ACT or SAT Assessment Programs and University Use of Results; 8-248, Admission of International Students; and 8-253, Superior Student in Education Scholarship Program.” He gave a summary of the process of rewriting the seven student-centered regulations compiled and revised by Associate Vice Provost Kyle Moore. Barker requested senators, after discussing with their department colleagues, to send him or Amy Kopp substantive change amendments by the end of the current week. Question and answer discussion followed the introduction of the resolution. It was then tabled to December 11 for debate and vote.
Chair Barker brought to the floor for introduction Faculty Senate Resolution 339, “Resolution in Support of General Counsel Proposed UW Regulation 1-101, “UW Regulations and Standard Administrative Policies and Procedures” and provided a review of concerns of the Executive Committee. Barker requested senators, after discussing with their department colleagues, to send him or Amy Kopp substantive change amendments by December 4. A question and answer discussion followed the introduction of the resolution. It was then tabled to December 11 for debate and vote.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn to Executive Session at 4:50 p.m.

Janet Dewey
Secretary of the Faculty Senate