A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Michael Barker at 3:10 p.m., on February 26, 2018, in Room 212, Wyoming Family Room, Wyoming Union.

The roll call was taken by Secretary Janet Dewey, with the following members recorded absent and not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Bingham, Buckner, Ehmke, Gardzelewski, Humphrey, Inouye, Ipina, James, Johnson, E., Krueger, Lake, Lebo, Murphy, Toohey.

Chair Barker called for a motion to amend the agenda; moved, seconded and carried.

Chair Barker called for a motion to approve the minutes of January 29, 2018, with an amendment to add in the ninth paragraph after “The motion was seconded and carried. Discussion . . .” the wording: “For UW Regulation 6-42, Senator Piccorelli moved to change, on page 1, line 28, “4%” to “$30 million”; motion seconded and discussed. Motion failed. For that same citing, Piccorelli moved to change “4%” to “8%”; motion seconded and discussed. Motion failed.” It was moved, seconded and carried to add the amendment to the minutes. The minutes, as amended, were moved for approval, seconded and carried.

Chair Barker distributed a fact sheet on UW’s participation in the “Chronicle of Higher Education’s Great Colleges to Work for Survey,” and explained the importance of participating in it. He reported that Academic Affairs is working on revisions to UW regulations, and will be forthcoming to the Senate soon. He also reported regarding President Nichols’ evaluation that there was no announcement for a close-out date which left numerous faculty not able to respond; notification of this was sent to administration. Barker advised a meeting is being arranged between him and the Board of Trustees to discuss the proposed revised UW Regulation 1-101. Additionally, the BoT and President Nichols have been working with the Faculty Salary Taskforce on faculty salaries.

Provost Kate Miller reported on items she and her office have been working on or with, i.e., revisions to UW Regulation 5-1, and the “6” category of regulations; the Faculty Salary Taskforce; 2018-19 budgets; the UW Foundation Board; endowed funds; merit increases; performance evaluations; the student centralized advising plan for implementation fall 2018. She advised the Academic Planning Committee is reviewing several degree program proposals, and stated that searches are progressing for the College of Business dean and the College of Health Sciences dean, while a review team is working on submitting a report on the American Heritage Center, and negotiations are underway with a global engagement candidate. There was a question and answer period following her report.

Staff Senate Chair Rachel Stevens reported Renee Ballard has been elected president-elect of Staff Senate. She will begin her duties the first of July.

The election of Senator Rudi Michalak as partial-term member-at-large was approved by acclamation. Michalak will begin duties serving on the Executive Committee beginning March 5, 2018. His term runs through May 2019.
Chair Barker called for ratification of standing committee chair nominees as submitted with the agenda. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the nominees. Barker called for ratification of standing committee member nominees as submitted with the agenda, with the addition of David Macaulay to the Committee on Committees, and Chad Hutchens to the Research Advisory Committee. It was moved, seconded and carried to add the member nominees to be ratified. It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the ratification of the nominations as amended.

Chair Barker brought to the floor Faculty Senate Resolution 341, “Resolution in Support of General Counsel Proposed UW Regulation 8-2, Degrees and Diplomas. Barker called for discussion. Senate Resolution 341 carried.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn to Executive Session at 4:03 p.m.

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Janet Dewey
Secretary of the Faculty Senate