Faculty Senate University of Wyoming

Laramie, Wyoming

Minutes of the Meeting of 24 October 2022

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate (FS) was called to order by Chair Renee Laegreid at 3:13 p.m., on October 24, 2022, in the Family Room, University of Wyoming Union. Additional FS members and guests were able to join via Zoom.

The roll was called by Secretary Treva Sprout Ahrenholtz, with the following senators not in attendance and not represented by official alternate or by proxy; William Cain, Gregg Cawley, Roger Coupal, James Creel, Scott Lake, Steve Miller, Adam Myers, Lydiah Nganga, Ginger Paige, Brad Rettler, and William Todd

Chair Laegreid called for a motion to approve the agenda; a motion was made, seconded, and carried. Chair Laegreid called for a motion to approve the minutes of October 10, 2022; motion made, seconded, and carried.

The meeting started with a report on the University Studies Program (USP). Provost Carman went home ill, so Steven Barrett, Vice Provost, Undergraduate Education gave the report. He spoke on the 2015 group, the First Year Seminar Pause, the Next Gen USP and sub-committees. Questions followed.

The Chair's report began with her monthly meeting with President Seidel. They spoke on the Spring Convocation and adding more faculty content and the importance of knowing how things work on campus.

Chair Laegreid and Past Chair Freng had a meeting with the Disability Support Services (DSS) group. Kate McLauglin and Nycole Courtney are scheduled for the November 28th Faculty Senate meeting to talk about the DSS changes.

On Thursday the Chairs of Faculty, Staff and ASUW went to the President's Cabinet meeting. The Chair found it very informative.

The Presidential Evaluation has been completed and Chair Laegreid is writing a summary to give to the Board of Trustees at the November meeting.

The 2-13 SAPP Committee members received their charge today and will be meeting soon.

It has come to the attention of the Chair that Faculty Senate and Faculty Executives are being thought of as being disrespectful and rude.

Staff Senate Chair Tim Nichols introduced two people that might represent Staff Senate at future meetings. He reported on Staff Senate Resolution 246 about work attire, staff morale and shared governance. The Staff Senate Holiday Market will be on December 9th at the UW Conference Center.

Past Chair Adrienne Freng stated the public comment time has ended for Strategic Planning and they will be looking over the comments and suggestions.

The HCM group has completed their work and have sent their recommendations to the President. Past Chair Freng suggested everyone should review the new hiring practices. She also reported the committee members thought the committee should continue to keep up on future changes.

Senator Nathan Clements said there was nothing new to report for the HLC.

Senator Steve Bialostok gave an update on the Parking Committee. He gave a list of the different parking lots closing or opening and transit routes. The Ivinson Parking Garage will have an elevator installed in February 2023. Senator Bialostok then answered questions.

Senator Thomas Grant reported on the RTP Committee. External reviewers were discussed, and recommendations were made. Senator Grant then answered questions.

Senator Vladimir Alvarado said they were to have a full meeting on the Carnegie Task Force soon.

Senator Bree Doering spoke on the Science Initiative Executive Committee. She said they were trying to tie up lose ends. She said some of the rooms still needed to be finished.

Past Chair Adrienne Freng reported on the Salary and Compensation Committee. They suspended the old SAPP and are working on the new one. They have also looked at merit raises and market prices.

Transportation Services Director, Paul Kunkel added electric vehicle stations to the updates Senator Bialostok gave. He then answered questions.

Chair Laegreid introduced the five new Resolutions. Jacquelyn Bridgeman gave an update on Resolution 409, Regarding the BA in Social Justice and Minor in Social Justice. It was decided to send the updated information to the Academic Planning Committee for further review of this Resolution.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session. A motion was made, seconded and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:08 pm.