

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

Minutes of the Meeting  
of  
November 4, 2019

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Ken Chestek at 3:10 p.m., on November 4, 2019, in Room 212, Wyoming Family Room, Wyoming Union.

Secretary Barker called roll, with the following senators recorded absent who were not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Bowman, Dalrymple, Humphrey, Laegreid, Lake, Lebo, Miller, S., Nejadmalayeri, Paige, Peck, Pratt, Reiser, Steele, Urynowicz.

There not being a quorum, Chair Chestek gave the Chair's Report, addressing the topics of: the Faculty Senate Speaker Series talk to be given by the fall 2019 awardee, Nina McConigley; the tri-senate leaders met and discussed coordination of a central food pantry; and that acting President Theobald appointed an *ad hoc* committee to review the proposed post-tenure review policy.

The quorum was obtained, and Chair Chestek called for a motion to approve the agenda; Secretary Barker moved to remove "IV. Ratification of Standing Committee Member" and place "V. Discussion and Vote on Senate Resolution 366" after "VI. Discussion and Vote on Senate Resolution 368." Motion seconded and carried. The agenda, as amended, was approved.

Chair Chestek called for a motion to approve the minutes of October 21, 2019; motion made, seconded, and approved.

Associate Vice Provost Jim Ahern gave an update on the Office of Graduate Education, an entity established within the Office of Academic Affairs, that has been and is being developed subsequent to the dissolution of the Graduate School. He recognized the Graduate Council as being instrumental with helping this initiative in moving forward. There was a question and answer period following his briefing.

Chair-Elect Michalak made a call for nominations for chair-elect, secretary, and two members-at-large. He advised nominations are due by January 13, with stump speeches on January 27, and election on February 10, 2020.

Chair Chestek brought to the floor for discussion Senate Resolution 368, "Resolution in Support of General Counsel and Academic Affairs Proposed UW Regulation 2-120, *Academic and Honorary Degree Revocation*." Discussion on the Resolution. Immediate Past Chair O'Toole moved to table to the next Senate meeting, until an amendment can be made appealing the proposed process. Motion seconded and carried.

Secretary Barker moved to amend the agenda by placing "Discussion and Vote on Senate Resolution 366" after "Introduction of Senate Resolution 369." Motion seconded and carried.

Chair Chestek brought to the floor for introduction Senate Resolution 369, "*Resolution on Geospatial Information Science & Technology (GIST)*." Jeff Hamerlinck, director of the Wyoming Geographic Information Science Center, answered questions. Discussion and vote will be at the next Senate meeting.

Chair Chestek brought to the floor for introduction Senate Resolution 370, "*Resolution on Department of New Music Department Certificates and New Performance Degree.*" Discussion and vote will be at the next Senate meeting.

Chair Chestek brought to the floor for discussion Senate Resolution 366, "Resolution in Support of General Counsel and Academic Affairs Proposed UW Regulation 2-2: *Academic Personnel Dispute Resolution.*" Secretary Barker, on behalf of the Executive Committee and written by Member-at-Large Freng, moved to delete from lines 24-25, "The purpose of the process outlined below is to determine whether appropriate procedures were followed, not to reevaluate the merits of any decisions that were made." And to add at the end of line 26, "the merits of decisions related to:" Motion seconded, discussed, and carried. Secretary Barker moved to add to line 90 after "regulation" the phrase, "until the final hearing committee convenes." Motion seconded, discussed, and carried. Secretary Barker moved to change line 189 to read, "A. Committee Selection." Motion seconded, discussed, and carried. Secretary Barker moved to add to line 212 after "cause." the sentences, "Either party is limited to two challenges and shall submit the basis for the challenge in writing to the Hearing Officer within three days of the notification of the composition of the Hearing Committee. The Hearing Officer then has three days to decide whether to grant the challenge." And to delete lines 217-219, beginning with "The complainant . . ." Motion seconded, discussed, and carried. Secretary Barker moved to add to line 223, after "jurisdiction" the phrase "or whether the Dispute is frivolous, repetitive, involves harmless error, or is otherwise a Dispute beyond the authority of the HC to consider under this Regulation" and delete from lines 224-226, "and shall consider whether the Dispute is frivolous, repetitive, involves harmless error, or is otherwise a Dispute beyond the authority of the HC to consider under this Regulation." And to change line 226-227 to read in part, "If the HC concludes that it cannot consider the Dispute, it shall . . ." Motion seconded, discussed, and carried. Senate Resolution 366, as amended, was approved.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session. Motion made, seconded, and carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.



Michael G. Barker, Secretary  
Dated: November 11, 2019