A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Donal O’Toole at 3:10 p.m., on February 25, 2019, in Room 212, Wyoming Family Room, Wyoming Union.

Secretary Cliff Marks called roll, with the following senators recorded absent who were not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Buckner, Bush, Coupal, Fall, Ipina, Lake, Lebo, Moran, Nejadmalayeri, Nganga, Saraji, Sieger, Steele, Teman, Urynowicz.

Chair O’Toole called for a motion to approve the agenda; motion made, seconded, and approved.

Chair O’Toole called for a motion to approve the minutes of February 11, 2019; motion made, seconded, and approved.

Chair O’Toole reported on the following items: the UW Strategic Improvement Group is being formed for the Great Colleges survey; the Executive Committee met with President Nichols and discussed several topics, some of which were the SAPP for email taglines; community colleges and BS degrees and dorms bill in the Legislature. He also reported that the Research Planning Council is up and running.

President of Staff Senate Renee Ballard reported on their focus on communication with the three senate heads, and a joint resolution on sexual violence. They are moving forward with a professional development career advancement plan after presenting to President Nichols. She spoke about Staff Senate scholarships, the Holiday Food Drive, the Holiday Market, and that Staff Recognition Day is April 4. She announced James Wheeler has been elected president of Staff Senate for next year.

Vice President of ASUW Jason Wilkins reported on the ASUW 2020 budget, their election policy, senatorial scholarships, and a campus/carry resolution. There was a question and answer period following his report.

Chair O’Toole announced the interim parking report is out for comments to be sent to Paul Kunkel, Assistant Director of Transit and Parking.

Alyson Hagy, faculty Athletics Planning Committee representative, gave an annual report on athlete data compiled over the past year. There was a question and answer period following her report.

Rachel Stevens, Staff Senate, reported on their Survey on Public and Charitable Assistance results. There was a question and answer period following her report.

Chair O’Toole brought to the floor for discussion Senate Bill 343, “A Bill to Revise UW Regulation 2-300 (current 6-700), Bylaws of the University Faculty.” Senator Barker moved for several editorial changes received from Senator Pasek, motion was seconded, and carried. After discussion, Senate Bill 343 passed.
Chair O'Toole brought to the floor for discussion Senate Bill 344, “A Bill to Revise UW Regulations 2-301, Faculty Senate Bylaws (current 6-701); 6-702, Establishment of Faculty Senate Committees; and 6-703, Establishment of University Standing Committees.” Senator Barker moved to amend line 25 of the bill by deleting “Standard Administrative Policies and Procedures” and replacing with “Faculty Senate Bylaws.” Motion seconded and carried. After discussion, Senate Bill 344 passed.

Chair O'Toole brought to the floor for discussion Senate Resolution 355, “Resolution Regarding Sexual Violence on Campus.” There being no discussion, Senate Resolution 355 passed.

Chair O'Toole brought to the floor for discussion Senate Resolution 356, “Resolution in Support of General Counsel’s and Academic Affairs’ Proposed UW Regulation 2-15: Academic Freedom.” Senator Barker moved for an editorial change received from Senator Pasek to delete from page 1, line 18 “extension.” Motion seconded and carried. Senator Bagley moved to delete from page 1, lines 19 and 20 “Academic freedom applies equally to tenure-track and non-tenure track faculty, and to administrators. Motion seconded and carried. After lengthy discussion, Senator Barker moved to table so the Executive Committee can further rework and clarify the language in the regulation. Motion seconded and carried.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn to Executive Session. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Clifford Marks, Secretary of the Faculty Senate
Dated: March 10, 2019