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 March 11, 2019, in Room 212, Wyoming Family Room, Wyoming Union.

Secretary Cliff Marks called roll, with the following senators, who were not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy, were recorded absent: Arnette, Buckner, Coupal, Dalrymple, Freedman, Humphrey, Lake, Lebo, McElwain, Means, Megerdichian, Minckley, Moran, Murphy, Nejadmalayeri, Sieger, Steele, Thompson-Ebanks.

Due to lack of a quorum, Chair O’Toole gave his report, speaking in part about cost-of-living raises up to two percent; and guideline changes for the Faculty Senate Speaker Series with the honorarium per semester increased from $1000 to $1750.

After attaining a quorum, 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 25, 2019; motion made, seconded, and approved.

Vice President for Student Affairs Sean Blackburn gave a presentation on students in distress and the rewriting of the Student Code of Conduct. The Dean of Students office will be seeking faculty input to the proposed revised Code of Conduct.

Chair O’Toole brought off the table for discussion Senate Resolution 356, “Resolution in Support of General Counsel’s and Academic Affairs’ Proposed UW Regulation 2-15: Academic Freedom.” Senator Bagley moved on behalf of Senator Freng, who could not attend the meeting, the addition of “Academic freedom applies to these duties which” and deletion of “These duties” in lines 16 and 17 of page 1. Motion seconded and carried. O’Toole moved to amend page 1, line 5 by adding “Freedom of Expression” after “Academic Freedom”; and on page 2, lines 53-55 to read “Freedom OF EXPRESSION in university governance entails the rights of academic personnel to express their judgments about administrative matters that bear on the university’s mission. It includes the right OF UW EMPLOYEES to express agreement or disagreement with institutional policies. . . “ Motion seconded. Discussion. Motion carried. Senate Resolution 356 passed.

Chair O’Toole brought to the floor for introduction Senate Resolution 357, “Resolution Endorsing Establishment of a Bachelor of General Studies.” Malcolm Holmes and Melissa Alexander, co-chairs of the Academic Planning Committee introduced the resolution. Discussion and vote will be conducted at the next meeting.
Chair O’Toole brought to the floor for introduction Senate Resolution 358, “Resolution Endorsing Establishment of a BA in Elementary and Special Education.” Melissa Alexander and Malcolm Holmes, co-chairs of the Academic Planning Committee, introduced the resolution. Discussion and vote will be conducted at the next meeting.

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 15, 2019