

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

Minutes of the Meeting
of
November 9, 2020

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Rudi Michalak at 3:30 p.m., on November 9, 2020, via Zoom due to social distancing in place because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The roll was called by Secretary Treva Sprout Ahrenholtz, with the following not in attendance and not represented by an official alternate or by proxy: Crawford, Griesmaier, Harkin, Lake, McDonald, Miller, S., Moran, Skiba, Tahmasebi, Urynowicz.

Chair Michalak called for a motion to approve the agenda; motion made, seconded; motion made to amend the agenda by removing President Seidel's report, and moving the Indirect Cost Distribution report to be after the Approval of the Minutes, seconded, and carried. Agenda, as amended was approved.

Chair Michalak called for a motion to approve the minutes of October 26, 2020; motion made, seconded, and carried.

Dan Wall, member of the Indirect Cost Distribution Working Group, and Diana Hulme, Associate Vice President for Research, reported on the effort the working group is undertaking in determining distribution of indirect cost funds, and what are the current indirect cost rates and distributions. Deadline for this proposal to go to the Board of Trustees is in December. There was a question and answer period following the reports.

Chair Michalak gave an update on COVID-19 processes and the *Budget Reduction Plan*.

Chair-Elect Adrienne Freng called for nominations of Faculty Senate officers for next year. Offices open are chair-elect, secretary (one-year term), and two members-at-large (two-year terms), and asked that nominations and self-nominations be sent to her.

Regarding *Developing a Faculty Vision for the University of Wyoming*, Chair Michalak advised discussions with the Executive Committee have determined there are two parts to the topic: 1) The importance of having faculty on the Strategic Planning Committee and all subcommittees; and 2) a vision for the future. He asked that faculty nominations to the strategic planning committees be sent to facultys@uwyo.edu, and that he will keep senators informed as he receives more information from Provost Alexander. There was a question and answer period following his report.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn to Executive Session at 4:25 p.m.



Treva Sprout Ahrenholtz, Secretary
Dated: November 30, 2020