

University of Wyoming at Laramie

FACULTY SENATE

MINUTES

March 4, 2024

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate (FS) was called to order by Chair Robert Sprague at 3:11 pm on March 4, 2024, in the Family Room, University of Wyoming Union. Additional Faculty Senate members and guests were able to join via Zoom.

The Secretary Treva Sprout-Ahrenholtz called the roll and a quorum was eventually met. The following Senators were not in attendance or represented by a proxy; Senators Bialostok, Boggs, Cain, Caulton, Coupal, Edwards, Grant, Griffiths, Hoberg, Laegreid, Lake, Marks, McCoy, Mocsary, Nejadmalayeri, Okpodu, Ricupero, Shannon, Slater.

The Chair called for a motion to approve the agenda; motion made, seconded, and carried.

The Chair called for a motion to approve the February 5 Senate minutes; motion made, seconded, and carried.

The Chair called for a motion to approve the February 19 Senate minutes; motion made, seconded, and carried.

The Chair reported that President Seidel was accepting proposals for the 2024-2026 Presidential Fellows program, and that applications would be due on Monday, March 11, 2024. The Chair noted that proposals could be regarding any topics that correlated with the strategic plan, and that the President would accept four or five proposals depending on budget, and that there would be one course release per semester as part of the program.

The Chair called for reports from ASUW. No ASUW representative was present.

The Chair called for reports from Staff Senate. No Staff Senate representative was present.

The Chair called for Committee reports. No Committee reports were made.

The Chair called for general announcements. No general announcements were made.

The Chair called for a motion for unanimous consent on the Faculty Senate Executive Committee Nominees. Motion made, seconded, and carried. The Chair then thanked the nominees for being willing to serve on the Executive Committee.

The Chair brought Resolution 453 in Support of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Policy SAP forward for discussion and vote. The Chair called for a motion to approve the resolution. Motion made, seconded, and carried.

The Chair brought forward Resolution 454 in Support of Discontinuance of Low-Producing Undergraduate Programs forward for introduction, discussion, and vote. The Chair provided background on the process before opening the floor to discussion. The Chair called for a motion to approve the resolution. Motion made, seconded, and carried.

The Chair brought forward Resolution 455 in Support of Discontinuance of Low-Producing Graduate Programs for introduction, discussion, and vote. Motion made and seconded. The Chair provided background on the process before opening the floor to discussion. The Chair called for a motion to approve the resolution. Motion made, seconded, and carried.

The Chair brought Resolution 456 in Support of the Proposed Undergraduate Organizational Leadership Certificate forward for introduction.

The Chair brought Resolution 457 in Support of the Proposed Undergraduate Agribusiness Leadership Certificate forward for introduction.

The Chair brought Resolution 458 in Support of the Proposed Undergraduate Health Leadership Certificate forward for introduction.

The Senate asked if the concerns expressed by the Academic Planning Committee (APC) had been addressed. The Chair responded that they had, and that he would be distributing the documents before the vote on resolutions 456, 457, and 458.

The Senate asked if there was a university standard for certificate programs. Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education Steve Barrett responded that there was not, as there was a variety in the number of credit hours in certificate programs, ranging from six credit hours to thirty credit hours, with most averaging around twelve credit hours.

The Chair called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:34 PM; made, seconded, and carried.