

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

Minutes of the Meeting  
of  
January 27, 2020

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Ken Chestek at 3:10 p.m., on January 27, 2020, in Room 212, Wyoming Family Room, Wyoming Union.

Chair-Elect Rudi Michalak called roll in the absence of Secretary Michael Barker, with the following senators recorded absent who were not represented by an official department alternate or by proxy: Barker, Buckner, Crawford, S., Lake, Miller, S., Peck, Ricupero, Steele, Tekiela.

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

Chair Chestek called for a motion to approve the minutes of December 2, 2019; motion made, seconded, and carried.

Chair Chestek reported on topics 1) discussed at the Board of Trustees meeting held last week, i.e., the good preliminary report received from the Higher Learning Commission, with collegial comments that shared governance needs to improve; the Academic and Student Affairs committee approved certificates and degrees in Music; facilities contracting concerning the parking garage construction, the demolition of Wyoming Hall, and the relocation of utilities beneath Wyoming Hall; and the presidential search process and timeline. 2) He announced there will be a Faculty Forum on Research and Economic Development that will be held February 18 from 2-4 pm in the Union Family Room, regarding research and economic development processes and initiatives, research grant administration, research compliance, and possibly other topics. The Strategic Improvement Working Group and the Faculty Senate will be co-hosting the forum to provide information to the campus community regarding changes that have occurred and future plans for the Office of Research and Economic Development. A current overview of the Research Office will be followed by a moderated question and answer session with a panel of representatives from the Office of Research and Economic Development. 3) Chestek also went over some of the UW regulations that are in the process of revision, such as 2-10, post-tenure review; 2-8, evaluation of academic administrators; revisions to be proposed to 2-2, academic personnel dispute resolution, as a result of an academic dispute that went to hearing; and clarification of 2-106 dealing with the grade changes policy.

Staff Senate was not in attendance to give a report.

John Houghton, vice president of ASUW, reported on activities that happened during winter break and what they are currently working on, i.e., the presidential search; working through the ASUW budget timeline; a sustainability coalition; counseling center funding; vacancies on seats; the census; and new staff members.

Kimberly Chestnut Steich, interim vice president for Student Affairs; and Ryan Dinneen O'Neil, interim dean of students, spoke on the new *Student Code of Conduct*, and they advised that the Dean of Students office will come to departments to inform and talk about it. They spoke about MLK Days of Dialogue. They advised they are looking at new ways to enhance engagement, retention, and graduation with students. They spoke about the Green Dot program, which is a power-based personal violence prevention program and that training and/or information is available through their office for all departments.

Chestek called for stump speeches from nominees for office. Nominees in order of speeches were current Member-at-Large and Senator Adrienne Freng, nominee for chair-elect; Senator Treva Sprout Ahrenholtz, nominee for secretary; and Secretary and Senator Michael Barker, nominee for member-at-large. Chestek read Barker's statement in his absence. Chestek called for nominations from the floor. Senator Cliff Marks nominated himself for member-at-large and gave a stump speech (his short vitae is attached to these minutes). Chestek closed the nominations. Election of officers will be at the next meeting.

Chestek introduced Senate Resolution 372, "Resolution on *Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering Technology for the Industrial Internet of Things (CET-IIOT)*" and spoke on the background of the proposal. Discussion and vote will be at the next meeting.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session. Motion made, seconded, and carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth D. Chestek". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Kenneth D. Chestek, Chair  
Dated: February 3, 2020