FACULTY SENATE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING Laramie, Wyoming

Minutes of the Meeting of March 8, 2021

A regular meeting of the University of Wyoming Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Rudi Michalak at 3:30 p.m., on March 8, 2021, 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 senators not in attendance and not represented by an official alternate or by a proxy: Creel, Harkin, Hoberg, Kuznetsova, Lake, McDonald, Miller, S., Moran, Urynowicz.

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

Chair Michalak called for a motion to approve the minutes of February 22, 2021; motion made, seconded, and carried.

Chair Michalak gave an update about COVID-19 vaccinations. He then gave a message to the Senate on behalf of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee that it has changed its position on not forwarding new program proposals to the Senate until the strategic plan is complete so as not to hold back worthy programs indefinitely. Proposals will be coming to the Senate after the Academic Planning Committee has reviewed them.

Interim Provost Alexander reported on the status of strategic scenario planning underway, and then asked for questions concerning 2021 fall planning. Discussion, question and answer period followed.

There were no representatives available from Staff Senate to report.

ASUW President Riley Talamantes reported ASUW passed its budget and have done resolutions for new program proposals. They are brainstorming with the Foundation for funds. There was a question and answer period following her report.

Member-at-Large and Senator Cliff Marks introduced, on behalf of the Executive Committee, Senate Resolution 383, "Resolution Regarding Campus-Wide Pandemic Response Efforts." Discussion and vote will be at the March 22 Faculty Senate meeting.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn to Executive Session at 4:17 p.m.

Treva Sprout Ahrenholtz, Secretary

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Dated: March 15, 2021