

Minutes of the Faculty Senate
7:00 pm, Tuesday, May 6, 2014
Room 140 DeBartolo

Attendees: Gail Bederman, Karen Buranskas, Matthew Capdevielle, Mark Caprio, John Duffy, John Gaski, David Gasperetti, Liangyan Ge, Nasir Ghiaseddin, Alexandra Guisinger, Michael Hemler, Donald Kommers, Paul McDowell, Hildegund Muller, Walter Nicgorski, Sylwia Ptasinska, Catherine Perry, Dianne Pinderhughes, Denis Robichaud, Jeanne Romero-Severson, Joshua Shrou, Marsha Stevenson, Joe Urbany, Meng Wang, Richard Williams

Excused: Anjan Chakravartty, Anne Coleman, Martin Haenggi, Danielle Joyner, Michael Kirsch, Linda Major, Paul McGinn, Sandra Vera-Munoz,

Absent: Xavier Creary, George Howard, John Stamper, Bruce Williams

Please note: Our committee meetings will be in rooms 131, 136, 138, 140

1. Opening Prayer
2. Introductions
3. Presentation of slides regarding faculty salary from Chris Maziar. Paul McGinn showed this information to the board of trustees. Non exempt staff salary growth has been much higher than the growth in faculty salary. ND faculty salaries are trailing in all faculty levels compared to all AAUP salaries.
4. Approval of Minutes of the April 1, 2014 meeting: Minutes were unanimously approved with a minor addition on the item pertaining to student auditing.
5. Elections – Josh Shrou -Chair of the Nominating Committee officiating

Chair-	Nominees	Paul McGinn was nominated
Vice Chair-	Nominees	John Duffy
Co-Secretaries (2)	Nominees	Alexandra Guisinger (still a second co-secretary is needed)
Treasurer-	Nominees	Jeanne Romero-Severson

The executive committee was unanimously elected.

6. Committee Reports:
 - a. Academic Affairs: Did not elect a chair. Agenda for the fall: AP courses; foreign language acquisition; criteria for evaluating programs.
 - b. Administrative Affairs: Josh Shrou will be acting chair for the fall. Agenda for the fall: look into the university's relationship with emeriti.
 - c. Benefits: Nasir Ghiaseddin was elected chair. Benefits will meet several times over the summer with HR to discuss health benefits. The committee also plans to discuss with HR about retirement

benefit changes. Given the fact that a large portion of the faculty was upset with the way in which the changes were implemented, the committee will discuss with HR whether more options are available to faculty. The committee will also discuss the possibility of different levels of university emeriti.

d. Student Affairs: John Gaski was elected chair. Agenda for the fall: student auditing; a draft on a report on student comportment.

7. New Business

8. Next Meeting, 7:00 pm, Tuesday, Sept 2, 2014; 140 DBRT

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn accepted at 7:53.