

**FACULTY SENATE
MINUTES**

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September 22, 2003

Faculty Senate Conference Room

Red Hill Building

4:00 pm

I. PRELIMINARIES

- A. Attendance: Anderson, Birdsong, Christensen, DeJesus, Diedrich, Fisher, Frank, Gantt, Hellwig, Hill, Jull, Martin, McCurry, McGinnis, McLaughlin, Mercaldo, Newsome, Nilson (Chair), Norton, Ottaway, Rodnick, Semenza, and Westphal
ex officio: Castle and Malepeai (Curriculum Council)
Absent: Bowen, Branch, Kantabutra, and Vik (all excused)
- B. Minutes of September 8, 2003
ACTION: Moved by Hill and seconded by DeJesus to approve the minutes of September 8, 2003. **Passed unanimously.**
- C. Open Forum – no reports

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

- A. Chair's Report
 1. Nilson has asked Hal Hellwig to be the informal parliamentarian for the Faculty Senate. Hellwig has agreed to this position.
 2. Faculty Senate Graduate Assistant - there are three applicants for the position. Interviews are being set up.
 3. Ombudsperson – there are two applications in which the executive committee will review.
 4. Dr. Bowen appointed Dr. Lawson to form a committee including deans and faculty members to look at ways to release money for faculty salary increases. Anyone interested, please notify Nilson. ICHEF members have a consensus from the universities and colleges in Idaho that the higher education community should argue for a 3% pay raise.
 5. SBOE initiated a draft policy for alcohol on campus.
 6. COPE and CEC have proposed that Faculty Senate pay either 1/4 or 1/3 (depending on ASISU participating), of the cost of Dr. Vincent Kituku to visit ISU as an inspirational speaker. The cost would be between \$500 and \$700. Nilson suggested that this might enhance the relationship with COPE and CEC. Semenza stated that the Cultural Affairs Council has a budget to bring speakers in, however, the COPE representative needs to know by September 23, 2003. Anderson stated that he would like to know more about Dr. Kituku before Faculty Senate supports him monetarily. It was the consensus that Faculty Senate not take action with so little information in so little time.

7. University attorney, Brad Hall, has drafted a statement of explanation to accompany the Faculty Senate's 300-day time limit to file a discriminatory practice complaint. The explanation notes that some state agencies have a 180-day time limit for filing; this may put the person filing at a disadvantage if the complaint goes external to the university. The 300-day time limit will assist beyond an internal grievance procedure.
 8. Paula Jull was asked to head a task force on communication and responsiveness between senate and faculty.
 9. David Mercaldo was asked to head a task force on continued relationship with legislators, governor, and those who manage the state budget. Senator Schroeder and Representative Barraclough have set 10 meeting dates across Idaho. They will be in Pocatello on October 28, 2003 from 7-9 pm in the College of Education auditorium. Mercaldo will investigate the issues and format for the meetings.
 10. Chair of the Appeals Board – Lyle Castle has consented to the position
ACTION: Moved by Gantt and seconded by Martin to appoint Lyle Castle as the chair of the Appeals Board. **Passed unanimously.**
 11. Library Speaker – Judith Krug will be speaking on intellectual freedom to celebrate Eli Oboler's birthday. It will be held on September 30, 2003 at 6:30 pm in the library. Non-members may attend for \$20; members of Friends of Oboler Library may attend for free.
 12. A group met with Dr. Lawson regarding at least one faculty member accepting a publisher incentive for adopting a particular publishers' text. Nilson would like to send the issue to the Faculty Professional Policies Council.
ACTION: Moved by Semenza and seconded by Branch to send the issue to the Faculty Professional Policies Council. **Passed unanimously.**
 13. Nilson asked Castle and Mercaldo if either would be willing to attend ICHEF meeting with the governor on October 17, 2003.
 14. David Robinson, Faculty Senate work study student, relayed that the student government is discussing the fee increase.
- B. Ad hoc to compare faculty benefits – Norton stated that he has not been in contact with Mike Ellis. He will contact Ellis before the next meeting. Norton feels that a representative of Faculty Senate should become a part of the School District 25 committee.
- C. Ad hoc for administrative evaluations – Frank had nothing to report.
- D. Subcommittee of Faculty Senate for review of Ombudsperson position – the committee is composed of the executive committee.

III. MINUTES AND APPOINTMENTS

- A. Minutes of councils -
1. Curriculum Council -
 - a. Minutes of April 24, 2003
 - b. Minutes of May 1, 2003**ACTION:** Moved by Norton and seconded by Semenza to take the motion off of the table. **Passed unanimously.**

ACTION: Moved by DeJesus and seconded by Frank to accept the action items in the Curriculum Council minutes of April 24, 2003 and May 1, 2003. **Passed unanimously.**

Discussion: Norton pointed out that the last action item in the minutes of April 24, 2003 should read Electronic Systems instead of Electronics Department.

2. Athletic Advisory Board Minutes of May 8, 2003 (FYI only). **No action needed.**

B. Faculty appointments to senate councils –

1. Faculty Professional Policies Council -

a. College of Education – nomination for Richard Pearson

ACTION: Moved by Birdsong and seconded by McGinnis to appoint Richard Pearson to the Faculty Professional Policies Council for a three year term. **Passed unanimously.**

2. Council for Teaching & Learning -

a. College of Health Professions – no nominations

3. Research Coordinating council –

a. College of Health professions – no nominations.

Discussion: Mercaldo recalled a committee in the Health Professions, in which they are to handle all nominations in the college. McGinnis is on the committee and she will follow up to see if any nominations have gone through the committee.

4. Academic Standards Council –

a. College of Technology – no nominations

5. Records Management Advisory Committee – no nominations

6. Appeals Board Chair – see II. A. 10.

C. Faculty Senate appointments to senate councils –

1. Faculty Professional Policies Council – Thomas Ottaway volunteered

ACTION: Moved by Anderson and seconded by Frank to appoint Thomas Ottaway to the Faculty Professional Policies Council as the Faculty Senate representative.

Passed unanimously.

2. College of Technology Faculty Council – no nominations

D. Executive Committee position – Anderson nominated Bobbie Branch

ACTION: Moved by Anderson and seconded by Semenza to appoint Bobbie Branch to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. **Passed unanimously.**

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Continued relationship with legislators, governor, and those who manage the state budget - Mercaldo stated that the governor's office is already putting budgets together. He has requested members for the task force.

B. Communication and responsiveness between faculty/senate -

Jull volunteered for this position because she feels it is important to investigate. She has conducted an informal poll and found that some faculty feel detached from senate. She has requested members for the task force.

C. Senate goals for 2003-2004 –

Gantt suggested setting a date for the open meetings of the senate as a goal. Nilson suggested setting a date for the general faculty meeting. It was suggested to hold it the week before Thanksgiving, if that works with Dr. Bowen. Castle suggests advertising these two meetings.

D. Review of Councils –

The review of Council for Teaching & Learning was not completed last year.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Nilson handed out a statement of intention stating that the Faculty Senate advocates a 3% pay raise for all faculty and staff at ISU. Senators were asked for input on the document for the next meeting after gathering more data.

VI. ADJOURNMENT at 5:30 pm.

Douglas Nilson, Chair

Connie Patchin, Secretary

Approved: October 6, 2003

Documents:

Faculty Senate Minutes of September 8, 2003
Athletic Advisory Board Minutes of May 8, 2003
Curriculum Council Minutes of April 24, 2003
Curriculum Council Minutes of May 1, 2003
Statement of Intention