IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE  
MINUTES  

January 28, 2019  
4:00 p.m.  
FS Conference Rm (Rendezvous 340), Meridian 680D, Idaho Falls TAB 279  

In Attendance:  

Senators  
☒ Laura Ahola-Young  ☐ Sonja Launspach E ☒ Amanda Zink  
☒ James Stoutenborough ☒ Justin Stover ☒ Jeremy Thomas  
☒ Jerry Leffler ☐ Paul Watkins A ☒ Richard “Rick” Wagoner  
☒ Ellen Ryan ☒ Curtis Anderson ☒ Keith Reinhardt  
☒ Hossein Mousavinezhad ☒ Glenn Thackray ☒ Darren Leavitt  
☒ Kenneth Moore ☒ John Baker ☒ Kristin Calley  
☐ Phoebe Greene E ☒ John Holmes ☒ James Ralphs  
☒ Marv Sparrell ☒ Lucas Christoffersen ☒ Catherine Black  
☒ Kerry Casperson ☒ Kathy Eroschenkon ☒ Alex Rose  
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Ex-Officio:  
☒ Laura Woodworth-Ney ☒ Alan Frantz ☒ Kris Clarkson  
☒ Logan Schmidt ☐ Paul Watkins (Past Co-Chair) A  
☒ Erin Selleneit (Recorder)  

Guests:  
☒ Susan Belliston  

Open Forum – None  

I. Welcome and Introductions  
Mousavinezhad welcomed everyone and introduced new senator, Yury Gryazin from the College of Science and Engineering.
II. Guest Speaker-Susan Belliston, Undergraduate Curriculum Council (UCC)

Belliston shared that UCC is responsible for ensuring the accuracy of the undergraduate catalog. UCC is also responsible for the quality and appropriateness of undergraduate courses and undergraduate degree programs offered by ISU. Proposals for additions or changes in undergraduate courses and undergraduate degree programs must be approved by the UCC. Proposals that need to go to the State Board of Education are due in early April; all other proposals are due in September. Workflow was discussed and how this will work when UCC reported to Faculty Senate.

III. Faculty Senate Minutes

Baker motioned to approve the January 7, 2019 minutes; Wagoner seconded. Motion carried (abstain-3).

ACTION: January 7, 2019 minutes approved.

IV. Announcements and Updates

a. Announcements

Ahola-Young announced the EAB Research luncheon invite for Senators on February 11, 2019 from 12-1:00 p.m. in the Salmon River Suites.

b. Update from ASISU

Schmidt talked about the Benny Awards all nominations are due Fridays, March 1, 2019. ASISU will be sending out surveys asking for suggestions for another women’s sport at ISU. Student elections are coming up please encourage students to run. Athletics has started student section leaders at our basketball games to get students more involved.

c. Update from Student Affairs

Clarkson shared information about the services that Student Affairs offer. The services offered to students are Benny’s Pantry, Bengal Meal Share, Student Emergency Fund, and Scholarships for students in their last semester, ISU Special Aid Scholarships, Notice of Concerns, and Community Resources. Student Affairs has improved the way medical withdrawals are completed.

d. Senate Chairs’ Report

President’s Council- Mousavinezhad shared that the President’s State of the University address will be about finance and budget. Outcome based funding was discussed. IEAC use to review budgets know the President’s Council will review budgets. Mousavinezhad talked about AUP. Ahola-Young shared about how importance of staff awards and asked faculty to make nominations.

e. Update from Academic Affairs

Woodworth-Ney shared about the ongoing searches to fill open position. There is a polytechnic cluster faculty hire underway. The Vice President for Research, Graduate Dean, and the College of Business Dean searches have been launched. We are using Summit Search and Academic Search to fill these positions. Momentum pathways training will take place in Boise on January 29, 2019. Woodworth-Ney discussed the Faculty Senate budget and changes that may need to take place in the future.

f. Research Council (RC)

Holmes discussed what Research Council is currently working on. RC is currently reviewing and updating their bylaws. The Office of Research is looking for a professional development STEM speaker that would focus on mentoring undergraduate students or a speaker that would discuss research in non-traditional
STEM areas. Suggestions are due to Bryan Gee by February 15, 2019. RC discussed the cancelation of the upcoming Seed grant competition. RC sent a letter to Dr. Snyder and he responded that the Seed grant competition would take place this year. Homes encouraged faculty to participate in the listening sessions and to let the search committee know faculty concerns about research grants.

V. New Business
a. Faculty Professional Policies Council
Ahola-Young discussed bringing back the Faculty Professional Policies Council. Colleges would hold elections to fill these seats over the next month. Their first job would be to write bylaws. Stoutenborough motioned to reinstate the Faculty Professional Policies Council and motioned that council members have three years of employment at ISU to hold a seat on Faculty Professional Policies Council; Leffler seconded. Motion carried.
ACTION: Faculty Professional Policies Council approved for reinstatement.
Ahola-Young asked for volunteers for an ad hoc committee to help update the five-year PPR policy. Alan Frantz, John Gribas, Kristin Calley, and Kathleen Lane will be on this committee.
Ahola-Young asked for volunteers for an ad hoc committee to review the appeal process for faculty appeals. Alan Frantz and Alex Rose will be on this committee.

b. Early College Programs
Ahola-Young went over the Early College Program report. Specific questions where send to Institutional Research from faculty and should have the questions answered by the next meeting. Woodworth-Ney discussed where the moneys go from the Early College Program. ISU is currently serving 3,300 students. Idaho Legislature has discussed Dual Enrollment, and the effects it is having on Idaho campus enrollment. The State Board of Education is looking at Early College Programs.

VI. Continuing Business
a. Bylaw Committee
Ahola-Young asked senators to review the work that the bylaw committee has done and add comments. The next Bylaw Committee meeting will be February 4, 2019 at 4:30 p.m., in the Faculty Senate Conference room. Ahola-Young asked for volunteers for an ad hoc committee to write procedures for Faculty Senate elections and write a Faculty Senators handbook. No one volunteered.

VI. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned 6:01 p.m.

Approved by Faculty Senate: February 11, 2019