IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
MINUTES

March 11, 2019
4:00 p.m.
FS Conference Rm (Rendezvous 340), Meridian 680D, Idaho Falls TAB 279

In Attendance:

Senators
☐ Laura Ahola-Young ☒ Sonja Launspach ☒ Amanda Zink
☒ James Stoutenborough ☐ Justin Stover ☒ Jeremy Thomas
☒ Jerry Leffler ☒ Richard “Rick” Wagoner ☒ Amanda Eller
☒ Ellen Ryan ☒ Curtis Anderson ☐ Keith Reinhardt
☒ Hossein Mousavinezhad ☒ Glenn Thackray ☒ Darren Leavitt
☐ Kenneth Moore E ☐ John Baker ☒ Kristin Calley
☐ Phoebe Greene ☐ John Holmes E ☒ James Ralphs
☒ Marv Sparrell ☒ Lucas Christoffersen ☒ Catherine Black
☐ Kerry Casperson ☒ Kathy Eroschenkon ☒ Alex Rose
☒ Malliga Och ☐ Yury Gryazin E

Ex-Officio:
☒ Laura Woodworth-Ney ☒ Alan Frantz ☒ Kris Clarkson
☒ Logan Schmidt ☐ Paul Watkins (Past Co-Chair) A

Guests:
☒ Selena Grace ☒ Russell Wahl ☒ Dave Delehanty
☒ Jim Skidmore ☒ Ben Crosby ☒ Eddie Tatar
☒ Vanessa Hanson

Open Forum – None

I. Welcome and Introductions
Aloha-Young welcomed and introduced guests in attendance.
II. Guest Speaker-Russell Wahl, American Association of University Professors (AAUP)
Wahl discussed faculty governance being taken away from the Faculty Senate in 2011. The university was sanctioned for being out of line with AAUP guidelines. The national AAUP will have a site visit at the university on March 28, 2019. AAUP will meet with the President Satterlee and would like to meet with senators. Wahl discussed the importance of the new Faculty Constitution and holding new elections under the constitution. Tatar the Faculty ombudsman stated that according to the constitution it is his duty to dissolve Faculty Senate if it does not have the confidence of the faculty. Tatar has talked with 15 faculty members on campus and it is not clear how faculty feel about dissolving senate. Tater stated that for now this is the shared governance body on campus. Delehanty stated that for 12 years faculty has been working to protect their rights in a hostile environment. The sanction is not to punish faculty but to protect faculty in the face of hostile actions by administration. The sanction condemns administrative action, it does not condemn faculty. Delehanty explained that AAUP would not mandate to Faculty Senate, they stand for faculty rights and faculty self-expression. Delehanty explained how symbolic it would for Faculty Senate to stand for re-election.

III. Guest Speaker-Selena Grace, Vice Provost-Program Health and Sustainability
Grace shared that a Program Health and Sustainability assessment model should be aligned with the institutional mission, while evaluating student demand and providing indicators of quality. It should include measures for efficiency and effectiveness and ensure sufficient resources. Finally, it should be flexible and change as necessary over time. The workgroup has been meeting since last spring. They have spent time looking at national reports, what other states have done, and data. Grace discussed beta testing the framework they came up with in two departments within each of the colleges. We would like to work with department chairs to evaluate the workload of this process and see what we are missing. We are looking at student demand, quality, efficiency, effectiveness, and resources. Our goal is to make sure we have healthy programs and what resources these programs need. Once we have a solid model we will get our proposal together and be operational by 2021. Leffler asked if the State Board has a metrics for looking at programs. Woodworth-Ney explained that the State Board has not implemented an across the board metrics evaluation for programs statewide. We want to demonstrate that we are being proactive about looking at programs we offer students. Ahola-Young asked Senate to look over the metrics and Senate will have Grace come back and answer some of their questions.

IV. Faculty Senate Minutes
Tabled

V. Announcements and Updates
a. Announcements
Ahola-Young stated that the meeting will not get out on time because we have important work to do and discussions that need to take place.

b. Update from ASISU
Schmidt shared that the ASISU will cover the bus and students can get tickets for $10 to go to the basketball tournament. ASISU elections are taking place and he asked Senators to encourage students to vote.

c. Update from Student Affairs
Clarkson reminded Senate that the Campus Bookstore Consulting Corporation (CBC) would be on campus March 14, 2019 from 2:30-3:30 pm in the Snake River Room.
He asked Senators to please stop in and talk with them. Clarkson introduced Vanessa Hanson the Student Support and Outreach Specialist. She will be focusing on working with students that are at risk for dropping out. Clarkson went over the notice of concern.

**Senate Chairs’ Report**

President’s Council-Mousavinezhad talked about going to budget hearings. Mousavinezhad discussed interviews for Director of Athletic.

Deans’ Council-

d. **Update from Academic Affairs**

Woodworth-Ney reminded Senate that the SBOE meeting is on April 17-18, 2019 in Moscow, Idaho. Items on the agenda at the SBOE meeting are student tuition, construction on phase two of the Eames Building, construction on the parking lot in Meridian, and policy changes.

e. **Research Council (RC)**

None

**Undergraduate Curriculum Council (UCC)**

None

**VI. New Business**

a. **Division of Health Science Seats**

Ahola-Young will set up a meeting with KDHS senators.

**VII. Continuing Business**

a. **Faculty Senate Open Forum**

Ahola-Young discussed Open Forum being held after spring break.

b. **Faculty Professional Policies Council**

Ahola-Young shared that Jennifer Adams, Associate Dean; College of Pharmacy will be on the Faculty Professional Policies Council (FPPC). Ahola-Young discussed that FPPC has no representation from the College of Science and Engineering.

c. **Faculty Senate Stand for Re-Election**

Senate discussed standing for reelection. Senate discussed the following motion that was tabled at the February 11, 2019 meeting. Thackray motioned that all Senators in seats not otherwise slated for election resign their seats and they and/or other interested faculty stand for election in the Spring College elections for the remainder of that seat’s assigned term. This action is intended to ensure that faculty are allowed an opportunity to elect a Senate under the new constitution and bylaws. Ahola-young stated that the bylaws state that the Chair should have experience on Faculty Senate. Wagoner was nominated to be the Chair of Faculty Senate for 2019-2020 academic year. Skidmore talked to Senate about how symbolic it would be for Faculty Senate to stand for reelection under the new constitution. Thackray amended his original motion as follows. Thackray motioned that Senators who were not elected by faculty in their units should stand for election in April 2019. Och seconded. Amendment did not carry. (7 Yes, 11 No, 0 Abstained) Faculty Senate voted on the original motion. Thackray motioned that all Senators in seats not otherwise slated for election resign their seats and they and/or other interested faculty stand for election in the Spring College elections for the remainder of that seat’s assigned term. This action is intended to ensure that faculty are allowed an opportunity to elect a Senate under the new constitution and bylaws. Motion carried. (17 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstained)

**Action:** All Faculty Senate members will stand for reelection in the Spring College election.
VIII. Future Agenda Items
Non-tenure Track Faculty

IX. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned 6:27 p.m.

Approved by Faculty Senate: March 25, 2019