FACULTY SENATE FORUM

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Below are the minutes of the January 21, 2009 Faculty Senate meeting. The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the UC Council Room with the following agenda.

AGENDA FOR THE FEBRUARY 2, 2009 SENATE MEETING
1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the January 21 Minutes
4. Announcements
5. Administrative Reports: President’s Office, Academic Affairs, Board of Trustees
6. Reports of Standing Committees: Faculty Welfare, Salary Equity, Academic Policies, Codification, and Elections
7. Special Report(s)
   -- Jenna Finley and Brad Shade, Housing and Residence Life Presentation
   -- Raul Cardenas, Assistant Vice President for Student Engagement and Dean of Students
   -- Tricia Tort, Director of Fitness and Wellness Education, National College Health Assessment survey
8. Executive Session for Honorary Degree Consideration
9. Special Order(s)
   -- Appoint Clough and Dietz to the APC
10. New Business
    -- Constitutional amendment, Elections Committee
11. Comments to the Good of the Order
12. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 21, 2009 SENATE MEETING
Absent members with an alternate: Clough (Connolly), Doerner (Klein), Ezzaher (Hodapp), Peercy (Murry), Salter (Toewe) and Schuttler (Temkin).
Absent member(s): Battles, Dietz, Erskine, Little Owl, Murray,
Guest(s): Jenna Finley, Brad Shade, Tobias Guzman, Stephen Mackessy, and Gloria Reynolds

The agenda and December 8 minutes were approved as presented.

Announcements
Chair’s Report
-- On Friday the UNC Centerra location opened up. The Board will hold a working meeting.
-- Academic Council
   - The Council talked about continuing investments.
   - Kim Black is doing the +/- grading system analysis and will be given to the Senate in two weeks.
   - The Provost’s summer salary distribution, currently in draft form, will go to the Senate Salary Equity Committee.
-- Congratulations to Shandy Hauk from Mathematical Sciences for her college faculty award, Excellence in Scholarship and to Gregory DeKrey from Biological Sciences for his college faculty award, Faculty Research Mentor of the Year, Undergraduate Level.

Administrative Reports
President’s Office (President Norton)
-- Legislation is going through the Assembly that adds to what is already there about UNC’s mission.
-- Dr. Robert Dickenson, former UNC President, is doing some consulting for UNC by helping to identify some major things in development of the Education Innovation Institute.
-- A meeting was held last week with the leaders of the governance groups, deans, vice president, and assistant vice president, to talk about the budget. A power point presentation will be sent out with updated information that can be used in units throughout the campus about how we can get through the rough times.
-- The involvement of everyone in the budget process is critical. It cannot be handled from the top down.

Academic Affairs/Provost’s Report (Harraf)
-- There has been talk about how expenditures can be controlled and at the same time what is the best investment strategy.
-- Colleges have been asked to submit fall course schedule so there can be an analysis of space shortage to maximize the space.
-- CETL will offer some custom service workshops for front line staff.
-- The general consensus is that we need to look at academic advising on-campus. Talking about getting best advisors and others to ask how it can be assessed and how to change it. The Senate will be asked to appoint a member to the group.
-- When asked how likely it was to fill the positions, for which there is a search in progress, the Provost stated that he and the President will try to protect faculty positions.
-- Our Spring enrollment is up from last year.

Board of Trustees (Iyer)
-- Notes from the December 12 meeting were distributed. We are into marketing UNC.
-- The next Board meeting will be January 26. Most of the items will be action items.

Standing Committee Reports
Elections Committee (Luttmann) – No report.
Faculty Welfare Committee (Temkin)
-- The Committee continues to work on sabbatical leaves.
Salary Equity Committee (Clinefelter) -- No Report
Academic Policies Committee (Allen)
-- Interim session procedures were discussed. Course offerings were up forty-nine percent from forty percent last session but enrollment was slightly down.

Codification Committee (Temkin for Schuttler) – No report.

Special Reports
1. Stephen Mackessy gave a presentation on Academic Excellence which is Week March 30 – April 3. Research Day is April 2. Faculty participation is very important. Volunteers are needed from each unit or school. Proposals are due Friday, March 6. Ideas and/or suggestions should be e-mail to Stephen. More information is available at http://www.unco.edu/hsl/aew.html.
2. Tobias Guzman, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Access, gave a presentation on enrollment management, which includes recruitment through being givers to the University. UNC needs to do “enrollment management by design and not by chance, of well planned strategy and tactics to shape the enrollment of the institution to meet established goals.” Guzman explained what needs to be done. Students complain of the hoops they have to jump. Those hassles need to be smoothed out.
   Faculty need to be stronger about, and can continue, its outreach and personal attention to students and direct them to the resources that can help them. Be mindful of where the student is at. ‘The personal touch’ means a lot.
   The Provost noted that UNC has a lot going on on-campus for the students.

Special Orders
1. Caroline Norton was appointed to the Parking Advisory Committee and unanimously confirmed by the Senate.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business - None

Comments to the Good of the Order

Connolly announced that the UNC Chapter of the AAUP would host a forum Thursday, January 22 on the annual evaluation process.
Mills announced that the First Book Committee has narrowed down its search to three books. The next meeting will be February 22.

The meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Laura Connolly, Secretary
Vicki Garcia, Recording Secretary
UPCOMING SENATE & SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- Monday, February 2  
  Academic Policies Committee  3:00 p.m.  
  UC Council Room

- Monday, February 2  
  Faculty Senate  4:00 p.m.  
  UC Council Room

- Monday, February 9  
  Salary Equity Committee  3:00 p.m.  
  UC Aspen A

- Wednesday, February 11  
  Codification Committee  2:00 p.m.  
  UC North Platte

- Wednesday, February 11  
  Faculty Welfare Committee  3:30 p.m.  
  UC Aspen A

- Wednesday, February 16  
  Academic Policies Committee  3:00 p.m.  
  UC Columbine B

- Wednesday, February 16  
  Faculty Senate  4:00 p.m.  
  UC Columbine B

- Monday, February 23  
  Salary Equity Committee  3:00 p.m.  
  UC South Platte

- Wednesday, February 25  
  Codification Committee  2:00 p.m.  
  UC North Platte

- Wednesday, February 25  
  Faculty Welfare Committee  3:30 p.m.  
  UC Aspen A