

FACULTY SENATE FORUM

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Below are the minutes of the February 16, 2009 Faculty Senate meeting. The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 2, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the UC Council Room with the following agenda.

AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 2, 2009 SENATE MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the February 2 and 16 minutes
4. Announcements
5. Administrative Reports: President's Office, Academic Affairs, Board of Trustees
6. Reports of Standing Committees: Salary Equity, Academic Policies, Codification, Elections, Faculty Welfare
7. Special Report(s)
 - Chuck Leonhardt, Vice President for University Relations.
 - Jeannette VanGalder, Assistant Vice President for Information Technology, regarding technology enhanced classroom construction and refreshing faculty desktop computers.
 - Ronna Sanchez, Director of the University Center, regarding a bookstore contract and survey
 - Kim Black, Director of Assessment, with data on the +/- grading system.
8. Special Order(s)
 - Appoint Joan Clinefelter to the Academic Advisement Task Force as the Senate representative
 - Appoint a representative to serve on a committee to get a copy center contract for at the University Center
 - Appoint a faculty representative or Senator to serve on a search committee for an UPC advisor who will oversee and advise the student activities.
9. New Business
 - Constitutional amendment from the Elections Committee
 - Constitutional amendment from the Professional Education Council
10. Comments to the Good of the Order
 - A Passport Office is now opened in the University Center, Room 2205
11. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2009 SENATE MEETING

Members present: Allen, Battles, Clinefelter, Clough, Colvin, Connolly, DeKrey, Doerner, Erskine, Ezzaher, Gaede, Harraf, Hartgers, Hauk, Hesse, Iyer, Klein, Lamb, McCorkle, Middleton, Mills, Murry, Schuttler, Temkin, Toewe, and Trelogan. Absent members with an alternate: Cullom (R. Reed), Norton (Reynolds), and Percy (Murry), Salter (Toewe). Absent member(s): Dietz, Little Owl, Luttmann, Murray, and Tort. Guest(s): Tom Smith.

The agenda was approved as presented. The approval of the February 2 minutes was postponed.

Announcements

Chair's Report

- Senate Action Form #963 on the add/drop deadline was approved and will be implemented Fall, 2009. The motion reads, "The Academic Policies Committee moved that the full term course add deadline occurs on the fifth day of the classes. The drop deadline occurs on the tenth day of classes. Students may late add a class with the faculty member's permission through the tenth day of classes. After the drop deadline, students can withdraw from a class through the halfway point of the term. A grade of "W" will appear on their transcripts. Students are responsible for tuition on all withdrawn classes. Add and drop deadlines for nonstandard academic periods are pro-rated according to the same formulas used for semester-based courses."
- Kim Black will report on the data received for the +/- grading system at the next Senate meeting.
- Congratulations to Dr. Ron Reed who accepted a two-year term on the Board of Directors of the Colorado Society of Certified Public Accountants.

- As the President requested, the Academic Council did not meet the last time so it could meet with the executive and leadership groups to discuss cost-savings, etc. The Council will meet Wednesday, February 18.
- On March 23 more should be available on the State legislative budget analysis, promotions, suggestions, etc.
- A faculty representative or Senator has been requested to serve on a search committee for an advisor with an MA degree for the University Program Council who will oversee and advise the student activities.

Administrative Reports

President's Office (Gloria Reynolds for President Norton)

- The CCHE passed a resolution supporting tuition flexibility.
- The Joint Budget Committee voted to support the concept of tuition flexibility.
- The administration continues to work with the State legislative office and talk with the Governor.
- A legislative reception hosted by UNC, CSU, and CU is Tuesday, January 17.

Academic Affairs/Provost's Report (Harraf)

- Enrollment is looking good for the fall with about thirty percent more applications for the residence halls. As of today there are about five percent more students admitted than this time last year. There are still a large number of incomplete applications. Recruitment is very aggressive.

A Senator commented that there are many things for which we are paying for e.g., thank you notes on post cards that could be handled another way, i.e. via email with no or less cost.

Board of Trustees (Iyer)

- Iyer briefly went over the packet with Board information from the February 13 meeting. Vice President Chuck Leonhardt distributed a memo with budget and tuition and fees talking points. Marshall Parks talked about the Optional Retirement Plans (ORP) review done in compliance with House Bill 04-1007.
- All of the Board members were in attendance again. This Board is very active, involved, caring, and interested, which has not been the case in the past.
- Murry noted that athletics will be moving into Bishop-Lehr on May 1, 2009 due to remodeling in Butler-Hancock. They will be there about two years. Clinefelter noted that renovations were included in the original renovation plans for Butler-Hancock. Renovations will also take care of Sports & Exercise Science.

Standing Committee Reports - Murry noted that she gives a report to the Board on what the Committees are doing as the Board is very interested in how the Senate operates.

Salary Equity Committee (Clinefelter)

- in case there are no salary increases this year, the Committee will bring forward a couple of resolutions. Whatever the Committee decides to do will come to the Senate for approval.
- Summer salary issues were discussed.
- An update of the Committee report is being worked on.

Academic Policies Committee (Allen) – No report

Codification Committee (Schuttler) – the Committee continues to work on *Board Policy Manual* corrections.

Elections Committee - No report

Faculty Welfare Committee (Temkin) – No report

Special Reports - None

Special Orders - None

Unfinished Business – None

New Business

1. The second reading of the proposed changes to Article III (The Elections Committee) in the Faculty Senate Bylaws was held.

MOTION: The Elections Committee moved to adopt the proposed changes.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously 23-0-0.

Comments to the Good of the Order - None

The meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Laura Connolly, Secretary

Vicki Garcia, Recording Secretary

