

FACULTY SENATE FORUM

#391

Below are the minutes of the August 31, 2009 Faculty Senate meeting. The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 14, at 4:00 p.m. in the UC Council Room with the following agenda.

AGENDA FOR THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2009 SENATE MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the April 20 and August 31 minutes
4. Announcements
 - Chair's Report
5. Administrative Reports: President's Office, Academic Affairs, Board of Trustees
6. Reports of Standing Committees: Codification, Elections, Faculty Welfare, Salary Equity, Academic Policies
7. Special Report(s) – None
8. Special Order(s)
 - Confirm committee appointments
 - Appoint a Senator to serve on the Codification Committee for 07-10
 - Elect Senators to serve on Salary Equity from: EBS--09-12, NHS--08-11, and PVA--08-11
 - Appoint a Senator to the Information Tech Committee for the 09-11
 - Appoint a faculty representative to the Faculty Research & Publications Board for 09-1
9. Unfinished Business
 - Second reading for the approval of the APC amendments to the Faculty Senate bylaws
 - Second reading for the approval of the annual board/council reports
10. New Business - None
11. Comments to the Good of the Order
12. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 31, 2009 SENATE MEETING

Members present: Allen, Battles, Bradford, Connolly, Cullom, Dietz, DeKrey, Doerner, Gaede, Harraf, Hartgers, Hesse, Iyer, Kimball, Klein, Landeira, Luttmann, McCorkle, Mills, Mondragon, Parker, Percy, Salter, Schuttler, Temkin, Toewe, and Trelogan. Absent member(s) with an alternate: Norton (Reynolds) and O'Halloran (Guido-DiBrito). Absent member(s): Kim and Tort. Guest(s): Michelle Behr, David Caldwell, Tom Smith, and Matt VanDriel.

The agenda was approved as amended by changing under Special Orders #4 to read, "appoint a Senator to represent . . .", postponing #9 until September 14, add Reed's appointment to Salary Equity, and under New Business to delete the FPAC (Faculty Perceptions of Administrators Committee) amendment as it was already approved on May 4. An announcement will be sent out soon to appoint the FPAC members. Approval of the April 20 was postponed until September 14. The June 8 minutes were approved unanimously by a voice vote.

Chair's Report

- Joy Landeira, the newly elected Senator from HSS, was welcomed.
- Academic Council –No report.
- An election will be held to replace Shandy Hauk, the re-elected Senator from HSS, as she had to resign from the Senate.

Administrative Reports

President's Office (Reynolds for Norton)

- The State of the University address will be September 24.
- \$150 million cut from the higher education budget is still cut through the 2012; an additional \$8.9 million was cut from this fiscal year.
- A five-year funding plan needs to be set up. The Trustees want us to start thinking about no funding in five years.
- There is no significant change since the President's communications with the campus.
- There is no confirmation about the hearsay regarding the resignation of David Skaggs..

Academic Affairs/Provost's Report (Harraf)

-- All of the enrollment figures during the first week of the semester are up.

Board of Trustees (Iyer)

-- A handout was distributed listing the actions and discussion items at the August 14 Board of Trustees meeting, one of which was to change the Student Representative Council's name to "Student Senate" at its request.

Standing Committee Reports

Academic Policies Committee (Mills)

-- Allen has agreed to serve as the APC representative on the Space Utilization Committee.

-- Tom Trelogan and Charmayne Cullom were appointed to serve on the Summer Session Ad Hoc Committee as representatives from either the APC or a college representative.

-- An amendment to the APC bylaws will be discussed under New Business.

Codification Committee – Schuttler

-- The Committee continues to work on the Student Senate (formerly SRC) document to make sure it coincides with the *Board Policy Manual* on the web site.

Elections Committee (Luttmann) – The Committee will meet after the Senate meeting to election a chair for 09-10.

Faculty Welfare Committee (Temkin)

-- The Committee approved Conference Committee changes made to the Sabbatical Leave Policy revised by the Committee last spring and is under Unfinished Business for action.

Salary Equity Committee (Doerner) – No report

Special Report(s)

1. Cullom, Senate representative serving on the Information Technology Committee (ITC), distributed her report on the ITC and its related committees. The report included 08-09 completed projects, 09-10 ongoing projects, the usage of technology fees, and information on the Learning Management Systems. Feedback should be given to Cullom or VanGalder.

Special Order(s)

1. MOTION: Temkin/Connolly moved to approve the slate for the Sexual Harassment Task Force. Discussion began on renaming the task force. The task force is to review policies and statements.

MOTION: Dietz/Peercy move to amend by changing the name to the Special Committee to Review Policies and Statements Pursuant to the Senate Resolution of July 13, 2009.

VOTE: The motion to amend passed unanimously by a voice vote.

VOTE: The motion as amended to approve the slate passed unanimously by a voice vote.

2. The handout listing the faculty appointments to Senate Committees was reviewed.

MOTION: Temkin/Bradford moved to approve the slate.

VOTE: The motion to approve the slate was approved unanimously by a voice vote.

3. Tracy Salter was confirmed to serve as the Senate representative on the Student Senate for 09-10.

4. Joy Landeira was appointed to serve on the Research Advisory Council for 09-10. Her confirmation was unanimously confirmed by a voice vote.

5. There were no Senator volunteers to serve on the Codification Committee for the remainder of the 07-10 term.

6. Toewe was nominated and unanimously elected by acclamation to serve on the Senate Executive Committee for 09-10.

7. Temkin/Landeira moved to elect Jim Doerner as the HSS representative to serve on the Salary Equity Committee for 09-12. Doerner was elected by acclamation.

8. Cullom was reappointed to serve as the Senator to serve on the Information Technology Committee for 09-11. Her appointment was confirmed by acclamation.

9. As there was a question as to Ron Reed's term on the Salary Equity Committee, the Senate confirmed his term for 08-11. Ron serves as the MCB representative.

Unfinished Business

1. The Senate passed a revised Sabbatic Leave Policy in April last spring. However, the administration had reservations about it so a conference committee was formed with three faculty (Temkin, Connolly, Luttmann) and three deans (Battles, Gudmundson, Sheehan). Connolly went over the major changes agreed to by the conference committee in sections 2-3-1001 and 2-3-1005. The Faculty Welfare Committee approved the conference committee changes at its August 26 meeting.

MOTION: The Faculty Welfare Committee moved to adopt the conference committee changes.

VOTE: The motion passed 20-0 with no abstentions.

