BSUFA Senate Minutes
January 9 2012
4:00 pm HS 107

Virgil Bakken, Chris Brown, Laurie Desiderato, Tom Fauchald, Eric Forsyth, Dean Frost, Troy Gilbertson, Andrew Graham, Colleen Greer, Mike Hamann, Heidi Hansen, Mike Herbert, Bonnie Higgins, Craig Hougen, Christel Kippenhan, Tim Kroeger, Brian Ludlow, Keith Marek, Pete McDonnell, Brendan McManus, Dianne Narum, Sheila Paul, Deb Peterson, Karl Salscheider, Mehdi Sheikholeslami, Kathryn Smith, Erika Svanoe, Larry Swain, Mehdi Tehrani, John Truedson, Jeffrey Ueland, Derek Webb, Jim White, Sarah Young

Call to order

Approval of minutes for Dec. 5, 2011 L.Desiderato moved to accept. L. Swain 2nd - minutes approved.

President’s Report

Nomination for Director of Marketing search committee-T. GILBERTSON -Call coming for faculty member to serve.

2 faculty are needed to serve on the VP for Student Development and Enrollment search committee. T. GILBERTSON notified Senate.

Faculty member needed to serve on Academic Dean search committee. T.GILBERTSON notified Senate.

Search committee for Academic Provost is a new search. Bill Maki is requesting to allow Randy Westoff to serve on that committee. T.FAUCHALD-moved to agree with the appointment. 2nd D. FROST ; C.BROWN raised a concern about allowing Administration to choose.

T.FAUCHALD spoke to the fact that this was originally an administrative position, so faculty has actually picked up another slot. L. Desiderato asked who the other faculty serve on the committee. M.HERBERT asked if this position represents faculty or administration.

T.GILBERTSON stated he is unsure. M.HERBERT stated that it should be a call but understands the time constraint. L. SWAIN – clarified a call to serve that went out Dec. 13.

J.UELAND also spoke against the motion. K. SMITH mentioned a problem with faculty email that not everyone may have been notified. T.FAUCHALD withdrew the motion. T. FAUCHALD moved an all faculty call for representation. Election with written ballot. All college ballot. K.SMITH 2nd the motion. Further discussion. Motion passed.

Reminder – Please present any new IFO resolutions by Feb. 6 Senate meeting to be forwarded downstate.

Reminder – Delegate Assembly registration deadline is March 9.
IFO presidential election – Self-nominations due by Feb. board meeting – T.GILBERTSON notified Senate. K.MAREK gave information on the self-nominations.

Bob Griggs has requested suggestions for classroom renovations – T.GILBERTSON informed Senate that a formal request from B. Griggs will be forthcoming at Academic Forum.

FYE courses-T.GILBERTSON Senate passed a resolution stating if FYE courses were not taught entirely by IFO by spring. As of last Meet & Confer Mary Ward stated that MSUAAFF are teaching. Executive Committee will be moving to next step in the process.

Old Business

Committee Reports- Gov. Relations Committee – C.BROWN gave report- suggestion to max out the Tommy R. Fund. We get money and we haven’t been giving it out and would like to be more proactive on that. Need Senate approval to increase before Jan. 23. Recommendation to increase by $250. T.FAUCHALD moved to approve the increase of $250 to this fund. C. BROWN 2nd. Motion approved.

New Business

Approval of Tom Faucahld for the IFO representative to the MNSCU Academic and Student Affairs Information Technology Council. C.BROWN motion approve. J.UELAND 2nd. Motion passed.

Negotiators Report – J. UELAND passed out an update on contract negotiations. Discussion on professional development improvements as well as potential improvements on evaluation process. J.TRUEDSON asked about Prof. Dev. Amounts. J.UELAND stated that this is a Delegate Assembly resolution. C.BROWN encouraged people to submit a resolution to Delegate Assembly. J.UELAND answered other questions about the process. Strategies were discussed.

Online Strategy for course delivery. T.GILBERTSON -the future of online delivery and how that plays out with the Chancellor’s plans. D.WEBB wants to make sure faculty are treated equally. T.FAUCHALD stated that someone could pursue any considered unfairness. K.SALSACHEIDER asked about the different colleges. D.WEBB requested people be aware as we see growth of online courses. T.GILBERTSON another issue to keep in mind as this moves forward. 38% of our budget is instruction so the online student becomes an ever increasing part of enrollment. B.LUDLOW –Reminded Senate that many medical colleges, etc. do not accept online credits. Online is a student driven demand, not pedagogical. D.PETERSON –Academic program workgroup did raise the question of what resources we should put toward that future given the increase in online courses.

Senate approval requested to allow executive committee to pay additional expense for single room rates for delegate assembly. T.FAUCHALD moved. C.BROWN 2nd. C.BROWN clarified
that this has been done in past. Clarification – this is for the room only, no incidentals or room service, etc. Motion passed.

T.KROEGER asked about semester scheduling – T.GILBERTSON clarified that is on the M&C Agenda for Wed.

Adjourned 4:45
Submitted for approval – Dianne Narum