BSUFA Senate Minutes
3 Mar 2014
4:05 pm HS 107


Not attending: Andrew Hafs, William Joyce, Rich Jahner, Amber Fryklund, Vivian Delgado, Lynn Maltais, Craig Hougen, Kristi Nei, Josefina Li, Blanca Rivera,

BSUFA Meeting 4:00 - 4:05

Brown called for nominations from the floor for self-nomination of officers. Each position was called three times.

President: Jeff Ueland

Negotiator: Tom Fauchald and Mike Murray

IFO Board Member: Keith Marek

Vice Pres: No self-nominations from the floor

Brown spoke strongly in support of Ueland. The meeting as declared closed at 4:05.

Senate called to order at 4:05

Approval of minutes of 3 Feb 2014 as posted on BSUFA site: Marek moved, Olson seconded. Carried

Guest: Jim Pulliam, CIO, for feedback on Campus Printing

The Senate welcomed Jim Pulliam. Pete McDonnell of ACC introduced Jim to address concerns about campus printing. Henry: One issue we have is printing tests and other private documents on public printers. Pulliam: One of the printing options is Private. The printer will hold the print outs until you release it at the printer. We’ve set up a code to release the print. Another option will be an ID card to scan. Ueland: How do we handle plotters or other printers outside of Toshiba. Pulliam: We’re looking at that. For now, call IT to set things up. There are limits on student printing. We’re looking at 500 pages per student. We’ve seen some large print runs, and we guess is that they are printing out textbooks because they can’t afford the text. Brown: Rescanning was mentioned as an option to printing. Pulliam: I’m sorry but I don’t know about that option. Byers: I question the efficiency of network printing, which requires users to collect printouts from down the hall and other floors. This places an unfair burden on faculty. Pulliam: We’re looking at how to make this more efficient for you. We can put printers where we need them, so I would appreciate emails from those who are affected. Murray: The math I’ve seen shows
financially the cost savings isn’t much, especially when set against time lost collecting printouts. Pulliam: It’s a $7-9k savings. Again, if you have concerns about where printers are located, please email.

On the campus computer refresh: Pulliam: When Microsoft comes up with a new system, it demands hardware tweaks. MS System 8 has been a wash out, so we’re waiting for 9 before we do a full campus update. We’ll keep you up and running in RAM and disk drive space. If you’re feeling a pinch, talk to us and we’ll increase your RAM and see what else we can do to tide things over. Peterson and Truedson: These laptops are pretty heavy. Please offer lighter ones next time around.

Senate thanked Jim Pulliam.

Move to reorder agenda. Moved by Morgan, seconded by Ueland. Carried

Rules Committee

Swain moved to consider a motion in seriatim. Carried. Moved to change the vocabulary concerning balloting from mailed ballot to “means approved by senate” Carried. Moved to use IFO ballot reporting system for this IFO Board and IFO state election. Ueland seconded. Schafer asked about cost. Swain: None for us, this time around. It’s covered by downstate. Marek: We get two uses covered. Then we have to look at the cost. Swain: The Rules Committee is looking at some voting models and we’ll have a model for you at the next Senate meeting. Peterson: Can we have entire campus to vote because the Senate will vote in its own interest. Paul reminded the Senators to vote to represent their constituency.

Curriculum Committee Report V

Senators had reviewed the reports. Phukan: Curriculum Committee has voted to approve all of these, and moves to approve. Peterson: Environmental Studies and History changes were approved by Lib Ed. Kippenhan: Graduate Committee approved the changes. Motion carried.

President’s Report

Delegate Assembly starts after spring break with 16 - 17 members from BSU. That puts us ahead of Mankato. We have three more slots we can fill. If you’re interested contact BSUFA. Senators ask your constituents to participate.

Campus-Wide Course Evaluations. The Math Department asked that this be placed on the agenda. But it’s really a Meet & Negotiate item that affects the IFO contract. Local senate is an inappropriate forum at this time. Ueland: The most objectionable part is that mandatory reporting goes against the contract. Byers: I thought it was made clear that this is not mandatory.

Center for Community Engagement. The idea is to raze and rebuild the Lavender House. It’s to be funded by external money. Henry: Who’s going to be in it? Brown: Hanson mentioned some students would be in it. Henry moved to direct the Executive Committee to find out total anticipated cost of proposal. Fauchald seconded. Carried.

Policy Repository / Policy on Policies. The Administration wants a central repository for policies. They also want to develop procedure on policies, but we already seem to have one. Fauchald: Ask M&C to put forward to Senate. Peterson: I’ve been talking about this for two years. There is no policy on how you do
things for new chairs. Access to university policies is necessary. Ueland: There’s some confusion on what they want. Brown: The draft of this policy was taken without attribution from the University of Southern Illinois rather than tailored for what we have here. Henry: if it’s not scholarship, it’s not a big deal. Ask for a list of policies they want to get together so we can see what they are and put them in a central repository. Murray: If you want to see the policies, search the website using policy.

**Summer caps.** Brown: We’re looking for some consistency in course caps. Be aware that you can negotiate this. Henry: Faculty can say they won’t teach a course at that size. It only takes a few times for the deans to get the drift.

**GAs update.** Brown: Administration has heard us. They say the Graduate Committee will be involved now. Ueland: Tadlock has told us that he wants recommendations from Grad Committee. Kippenhan: We got a list of where the GAs are, and there is an agenda item. Fauchald: What help does the Grad Committee need from us? Kippenhan: I’m not the chair I don’t want to speak to that. Please take it to the chair. Fauchald moved for Exec to take this item to M&C. Henry seconded. Swain: Should this become part of the Grad Committee’s charge? Kippenhan: I’ll bring that to the Graduate Committee and will bring it back here.

**New catalogue language concerning minors.** Kippenhan: This needs to be clarified more. Ueland: The specific language requires at least one course difference. That’s it. There was a general consensus that the change was a good idea.

**Class Scheduling Consultant.** Brown: Tadlock is bringing in a consultant to examine how scheduling is running for better resource utilization and to address the deserted Fridays. Marek: The idea is to look at what we’re doing in our scheduling to see if we can do it better. Henry: What’s the output of this? Ueland: We tried to get to the heart of that at M&C but they did not specify. It wasn’t well developed or explained. Byers moved to ask Provost Tadlock to draft a one-page presentation explaining what he’s after. Fauchald seconded. Swain: If the problem is finding a room and addressing the fact that the campus closes down Friday. Motion carried.

**Confirm Faculty and ACC Appointments.** We have an addition to the CJ search committee: approved. Drew Graham was confirmed as appointed to ACC.

**Committee Reports**

ACC. Pete McDonnell: Pulliam has asked for a Lab Consolidation task force. StarID is being worked on and so discussed. Marek: StarID is coming. They are trying to make sign in run as it was supposed to originally, mainly through the portal, which will log you into other resources on campus.

Academic Affairs. In February, the Academic Affairs Committee was charged to report on Student Preparedness. Committee has not met. Murry: Hanson wanted a response. Henry moved that Pres Brown convene the ACC and if necessary appoint a chair. Fauchald seconded. Carried.

Lib Ed. Peterson reported that the modifications to Goal area 10 will be started in fall, including +1 credit requirement. Some courses have been approved in Biology and Environmental Science. There are additional courses coming forward. Sustainability courses will be listed in the course schedule for fall but have not been filled with faculty. Fauchald: Will the 1-credit companion course be offered online?
Peterson: I don’t know. We hope for one section. Murray: We haven’t had any Sustainability courses come forward, so we’re grandfathering them in.

**Old Business**

Costing of collaborative programs. This was tabled in February for March meeting. Fauchald talked with Tadlock re the cost study. The idea is that we can move the costs around from area to area. Murray moved to charge the Budget Committee to look into how the cost study will be carried out. Henry seconded. Carried.

**New Business**

Henry: The Business Department has made several requests to see if hard pre-requisites can be made enforceable by the system. Henry moved to charge the Executive Committee to take to M&C. Fauchald seconded. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 5:15

Submitted

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