

FACULTY SENATE MEETING
Monday, 2 May 2011 - 3:30 p.m.
272 Bascom Hall

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Provost Paul DeLuca at 3:32 p.m. with 175 voting members present.

1. Memorial resolutions were presented for:	Doc. No.
Professor Emeritus Raymond Russell Brown	2247
Professor Emeritus Marshall B. Clinard	2265
Professor Emeritus David P. Dickson	2266
Professor Emeritus Stanley Ivan Dodson	2254
Professor Emerita Nellie Rose McCannon	2267
Professor Emeritus Gerald C. Mueller	2268
Professor Emeritus Henry A. Peters	2269
Professor Emeritus Edward J. Schantz	2270
Professor Emeritus Wayne H. Thompson	2271

2. Announcements/Informational Items.

Professor Judith Burstyn announced that Professor Brad Barham will chair the University Committee in 2011-2012. She also thanked senators for their participation and contributions during the past year.

Professor Barham thanked outgoing University Committee members, Professor Burstyn and Professor Gail Geiger, for their service on the University Committee

3. Question Period.

Provost DeLuca called attention to a handout distributed at the door, which included questions from Assistant Professor Douglas Soldat (District 19) regarding open records requests received by the university.

Professor Soldat made a follow-up comment.

AUTOMATIC CONSENT BUSINESS

4. The minutes of 4 April 2011 were approved as distributed.

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| 5. Provost DeLuca called attention to the Report of Elections to UW-Madison Faculty Committees for 2011-2012. | 2272 |
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There were no questions or comments.

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| 6. Professor Jacqueline Hitchon <u>submitted</u> for informational purposes the Advisory Committee to the Office of the Dean of Students Annual Reports for 2008-2011. | 2273 |
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There were no questions or comments.

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7. Provost DeLuca announced that the Advisory Committee for the Office for Equity and Diversity Annual Report for 2009-2010 will be deferred until the October senate meeting. 2274

8. Professor George Phillips submitted for informational purposes the Committee on Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Annual Report for 2009-2010. 2275

There were no questions or comments.

9. Ms. Joan Irwin submitted for informational purposes the Committee on Retirement Issues Annual Report for 2010-2011. 2276

There were no questions or comments.

10. Provost DeLuca announced that the Teaching Academy Annual Report for 2009-2010 will be deferred until the October senate meeting. 2277

11. Professor Burstyn submitted for informational purposes the University Committee Annual Report for 2009-2010. 2278

There were no questions or comments.

12. Provost DeLuca announced that the Committee on Women in the University Annual Report for 2009-2011 will be deferred until the October senate meeting. 2279

NEW BUSINESS

13. Professor Burstyn moved to adopt the Faculty Senate Principles in Support of Key Flexibilities for UW-Madison presented in Faculty Document 2280, which was distributed at the door. 2280

There was significant discussion of the motion.

The motion passed without negative vote.

14. Professor Burstyn provided background information for a discussion of the Faculty Senate Position on the Public Authority Proposal.

Associate Professor Shawn Conley (District 4) moved the following:

“Because of the great diversity of opinion, and to allow time for a deepening and widening of the discussion, we move that the Faculty Senate not take a position at this time on public authority status for the University of Wisconsin-Madison, while affirming support for the principles of flexibility and governance adopted by the Faculty Senate on February 7th, 2011 in document 2244b. We also move that the Faculty Senate, through the University Committee, convene an ad hoc committee to identify alternative mechanisms to achieve the governance principles and financial flexibilities articulated in document 2244b, and to report its findings back to the Faculty Senate within six months. In order to allow for this necessary process of analysis and deliberation, we further move that the Faculty Senate supports the removal of the public authority proposal from the current biennial budget bill.”

The motion was seconded.

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NEW BUSINESS, cont'd

Professor Cyrena Pondrom (District 55) moved to substitute the motion on the floor with the following:

“Whereas the Principles in Support of Key Flexibilities for UW-Madison are essential for maintaining the strength and international excellence of the institution; and

Whereas no plan has been advanced by the UW System which will assure we receive these flexibilities; and

Whereas the public authority model advanced as a part of the New Badger Partnership does provide these flexibilities;

The Faculty Senate expresses its support for the public authority model for the operation of the UW-Madison.”

The motion to substitute was seconded.

There was considerable discussion.

Assistant Professor Mark Johnson (District 29) moved to amend the substitute motion by adding the following:

“Should the draft proposal to establish chapter 37 and convert UW-Madison to public authority status be removed from the draft biennial budget bill, the Faculty Senate affirms support for the principles of flexibility and governance adopted in Faculty Documents 2244b and 2280 and, through the University Committee, will convene an *ad hoc* committee to identify alternative mechanisms to achieve the governance principles and financial flexibilities articulated in documents 2244b and 2280, and to report its findings back to the Faculty Senate within six months.”

The motion to amend the substitute motion was seconded.

Again, there was considerable discussion.

The motion to amend the substitute motion passed by hand vote, 83 yes, 56 no.

Discussion whether to substitute the original motion continued.

Associate Professor Eric Schatzberg (District 82) moved to amend the amended substitute motion by adding the following:

“The Faculty Senate authorizes the University Committee to support compromise legislation to achieve the goals of Faculty Document 2280.”

The motion to amend the amended substitute motion was seconded.

The motion to amend the amended substitute motion passed by hand vote.

The motion to substitute the original motion passed by hand vote.

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NEW BUSINESS, cont'd

The provost relinquished his role as presiding officer, and Professor Burstyn assumed that role.

The substitute motion was discussed.

The provost resumed the presiding officer role.

The substitute motion passed by hand vote.

The meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

David Musolf
Secretary of the Faculty