

FACULTY SENATE MEETING
Monday, 8 April 2013 - 3:30 p.m.
165 Bascom Hall

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Interim Chancellor David Ward at 3:32 p.m. with 154 voting members present.

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| 1. Memorial resolutions were presented for: | Doc. No. |
| Professor Emerita Patricia A. Hummel | 2407 |
| Professor Emeritus Maurice J. Meisner | 2408 |
| Professor Emeritus Charles R. Stearns | 2409 |
2. Chancellor Ward presided over the presentation of the 2012-2013 Hilldale Awards. The recipients are: Arts and Humanities Division: Jack F. Damer (Art); Biological Sciences Division: Barry S. Ganetzky (Genetics); Physical Sciences Division: Francis L. Halzen (Physics); Social Studies Division: Sharon L. Dunwoody (Journalism and Mass Communication).

3. Announcements/Informational Items.

Interim Vice Provost Christopher Olsen spoke about the university's religious observances policy, particularly with respect to the timing of Rosh Hashanah in fall 2013, which will occur on the second day of classes. He asked senators to make their departments aware of the issue as it pertains to the notification guidelines contained in the policy.

Professor Mark Cook updated the senate on the proposed College of the Arts and responded to a question and a comment about the matter. He also asked senators to remind their departmental colleagues to vote in the elections for faculty-elected committees.

4. Question Period.

Chancellor Ward responded to a question from Assistant Professor Noah Feinstein (district 27) regarding whether the university is obliged to act on a shared governance committee's recommendation, which is based on university policy, and why a particular case would merit an exception.

AUTOMATIC CONSENT BUSINESS

5. The minutes of 4 March 2013 were approved as distributed.

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| 6. Professor Dale Bjorling <u>submitted</u> for informational purposes the Athletic Board Annual Report for 2011-2012. | 2410 |
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There were several questions and comments.

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7. Professor Que Lan submitted for informational purposes the Advisory Committee for the Office for Equity and Diversity Annual Report for 2010-2011. 2411

There were no questions or comments.

8. Professor Katrina Forest submitted for informational purposes the Information Technology Committee Annual Report for 2011-2012. 2412

There were no questions or comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. Professor Cook moved to adopt the University Committee Recommendation to Amend *Faculty Policies and Procedures* 4.10. Divisional Executive Committees: Membership. 2406

The motion passed without negative vote.

The meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Andrea Poehling
Secretary of the Faculty