

FACULTY SENATE MEETING

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

Evanston Campus: Pancoe Auditorium

Chicago Campus: Wieboldt Hall 421

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

1. Welcome by Stephen Eisenman, chair – 2 minutes
2. Question and answer session with NU Board of Trustees Chair, William Osborn - 45 minutes
3. Presentation of proposed Handbook revisions by representatives of Senate Handbook Committee, Associate Provost Lindsay Chase-Lansdale, Assistant Provost for Faculty Cathy Grimsted, and NU Counsel Stephanie Graham - 30 minutes
4. President's report/remarks, Stephen Eisenman - 15 minutes
 - A. Executive Committee Meeting Update
 - B. NUQ Report
 - C. Evanston, global warming initiative: www.greenerewanston.org
 - D. COIA conference with Senate COIA representative Jeannie Herrick

5. Standing Committees update – 20 minutes

- A. Budget Committee Resolution:

Whereas Northwestern University is a non-profit institution held in the public trust;

Whereas higher education has traditionally been a central route for upward mobility in the United States;

Whereas increasing socio-economic diversity is both in the interest of the university and of a democratic civil society;

Whereas inequality has increased over the last three decades in this country, leading to substantial divergence in the preparation and resources of students;

Whereas Northwestern has made progress in recent years in increasing access to Northwestern for low-income students;

Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate supports the efforts of President Schapiro and the Northwestern University Administration to increase access for low-income students;

Be it further resolved that the university should ensure that financial aid packages for Pell Grant-eligible students are consistently competitive with those offered by peer institutions;

Be it further resolved that the university should subsidize academic, extracurricular, and professional development opportunities to enable full participation by all students in the life of the university regardless of income;

Be it further resolved that the university should raise additional funds specifically earmarked to support low-income student access to Northwestern without compromising financial aid for middle income students;

Be it further resolved that the administration should implement policies to ensure that by 2020, or sooner, no fewer than 20% of Northwestern undergraduates are Pell Grant-eligible.

B. Committee Updates

- 6. Vice President for 2015-2016 -- Call for Nominations and Self-Nominations – 5 minutes**
- 7. New Business - 5 minutes**
- 8. Adjournment - Time for greeting and socializing**

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