

Northwestern University
Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
Pancoe Auditorium - Evanston, Wieboldt Hall 421 - Chicago
October 1, 2014

The Faculty Senate meeting of October 1, 2014 took place on the Evanston Campus in Pancoe Auditorium and on the Chicago Campus in Wieboldt Hall 421. Chair Stephen Eisenman called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. There were 57 of 75 members in attendance, with 36 attendees in Evanston, 11 in Chicago, and 10 participating off-site. The quorum of fifty-one percent was met. Also in attendance were the immediate past chair and Northwestern Emeriti Organization representative, both serving as honorary members of the Faculty Senate.

1. Welcome by Stephen Eisenman, Chair:

Chair Stephen Eisenman welcomed Senators to the first meeting of the academic year and made the opening remarks.

2. Chair's Report/Remarks, Stephen Eisenman:

A. Summer Updates -- In the news: Football, Low-Income Students, Climate Change politics and initiatives: Chair Eisenman gave updates on, and briefly talked about ongoing concerns with, the following items that continued to develop over the summer and that the Senate will continue to focus its efforts on in the coming academic year.

Football/sports: Currently there is Senate representation (two Senators) on the Committee on Athletics and Recreation (CAR) and the Administration will continue to intentionally involve the Senate in this committee moving forward. The Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics (COIA) Senate representative is Jeanne Herrick. Chair Eisenman gave an update on the football player unionization, the O'Bannon ruling, the issue of sports injuries, and the education of student athletes.

Low-Income Students: At the Spring Assembly meeting the Administration reported that Northwestern University is making great strides in attracting more low-income students. Recruitment and retention of such students will continue to be a top priority for NU.

Climate Change politics and initiatives: The Senate Task Force on Climate Change and the Anthropocene merged with the NU Sustainability Council but Chair Eisenman is concerned that the ambitions of the group are too low and very little will get accomplished. He will continue to monitor progress.

B. Announcement of Executive Committee meeting Oct. 27 -- solicitation of discussion items: In preparation for the upcoming Executive meeting with the Administration, Chair Eisenman asked for

Senators to think about and send in topics of particular interest or concern that should be addressed at the meeting.

C. CIC governance conference – report: Chair Eisenman attended the recent Committee on Institutional Collaboration (CIC) Governance Conference and as part of his report to the Senate he highlighted an area the CIC group focused on related to Faculty Senate representation on executive searches. He offered a comparison of Northwestern to peer institutions.

3. Proposed Changes in Bylaws to Facilitate Election of Faculty Senate Chair:

The Governance Committee was tasked with revising the Faculty Senate bylaws, focusing on the election of the Faculty Senate Chair. The committee also plans to put forward a proposal to make several additional revisions, including a title change for the Chair and Vice Chair.

4. Placement into nomination of Ed Hughes as Vice Chair, 2014-15. Call for other nominations. Election:

Placement into nomination of Ed Hughes as Vice Chair, 2014-15, call for other nominations, and election were all postponed indefinitely awaiting bylaw changes to be proposed and voted upon addressing election of Faculty Senate Chair.

5. Standing Committee

A. Call to join a committee: Chair Eisenman reminded Senators that everyone is required to join a committee and must do so immediately to enable the work of the Senate to move forward.

B. Committee chair vacancy: Educational Affairs and Faculty Rights and Responsibilities: Chair Eisenman encouraged Senators to consider serving as Chair of the Educational Affairs Committee or the Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee.

C. Confirmation by vote of Committee Chairs: Motion to ratify the following slate of Standing Committee Chair was adopted unanimously:

- BENEFITS: Donna Jurdy
- BUDGET: Ezra Getzler
- CAUSE: Hank Seifert
- FACULTY HANDBOOK: Wesley Roth Burghardt
- GOVERNANCE: Carol Simpson Stern
- NON-TENURE ELIGIBLE: Heather L Colburn
- RESEARCH AFFAIRS: Andre Luiz De Gouvea
- SECURE FACULTY SURVEY: Martin P. Block
- SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: Marcus Moseley

D. Secure Faculty Survey Committee report on posting of their completed survey: Secure Faculty Survey Committee Chair Martin Block reported that the committee is conducting a survey jointly with the Administration that should be disseminated to all Faculty as early as November with results forthcoming in February.

6. COIA Update

Jeanne Herrick, the Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics (COIA) Senate representative, reported that the NCAA has changed its governance model to allow the power five conferences (ACC, Big 12, Big Ten, SEC and Pac-12) to have more autonomy in creating their own rules. The COIA has been asked to override the vote, so she talked about COIA members' concerns and perspectives on the matter.

7. Assembly Meeting to Take Place Early November:

Chair Stephen Eisenman asked Senators to send agenda items in the next week for the upcoming Assembly meeting taking place early November.

8. Board of Trustees Meeting: Fri. Nov. 21, 12-1:30pm, Allen Center, EV

Chair Stephen Eisenman asked Senators to RSVP right away for the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting taking place on Friday, November 21 from 12-1:30pm in the Allen Center on the Evanston Campus. This yearly event brings together members of the Board of Trustees, the Administration, and the Senate to participate in an open dialog that focuses on a specific theme affecting the University. This year's theme is "Diversity and Inclusion."

9. Faculty Senate Chair initiatives for 2014-15:

Chair Stephen Eisenman presented the following initiatives he anticipates to move forward in the coming year:

1. Receive the work of its two special committees.
2. Return to discussion of NU football and in light of the O'Bannon ruling permitting compensation for college athletes. The issue should be taken up by the Educational Affairs Committee.
3. Send out the survey prepared by the Secure Faculty Survey Committee.
4. Complete work on formation of a procedure for determining faculty penalties in Title IX and other cases. This work will be led by the special Title IX group and the Committee on Cause.
5. Undertake a summary review of NUQ, considering issues of curriculum, faculty rights and responsibilities, and the wider political environment. The Educational Affairs and/or Social Responsibility Committee should undertake this review.
6. Establish a functioning Budget Committee and a useful budgetary review process. Ezra Getzler has agreed to chair the new committee and recruit members both from inside and outside the Senate.
7. Respond to the request by PETA that NU cease obtaining antibodies from companies in violation of both the Animal Welfare Act and NU's purchasing guidelines. This issue has gone through two

sets of administrative channels without resolution. By agreement with the Senate Research Committee, now chaired by Andre Luis De Gouvea, the issue should now be addressed by them, possibly in collaboration with the Social Responsibility Committee.

8. Continue to work with Ennead Architects concerning the establishment of a dedicated Faculty Club and Faculty Senate Office in the renovated Norris University Center.
9. Work closely and collaboratively with President Schapiro and Provost Linzer to consider, evaluate and promote new educational and policy initiatives.
10. Participate in the annual luncheon with trustees, this year scheduled for November 21.
11. Continue to serve on important administrative searches. We need right away to provide a senator to serve on the search for the new VP for Compliance.
12. Publication of 2013---14 NTE faculty salary data.

10. Upcoming Speakers:

1. December 3 – Vice President for Global Initiatives, Mary Baglivo, will speak on NU Global Marketing
2. February 4 – Associate Provost, Michael Mills, will speak on low income student admission at NU
3. March 4 – Board of Trustees Chair, William Osborn, open discussion with the Senate

11. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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