

FACULTY SENATE MEETING

Wednesday, April 2, 2014

Evanston Campus: Pancoe Auditorium

Chicago Campus: Wieboldt 421

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

1. Welcome by Stephen Eisenman, chair – 2 minutes
2. Chair's report/remarks, Stephen Eisenman - 10 minutes
 - 1) Vice chair for 2014-2015 -- Call for Nominations and Self-Nominations
 - 2) Title IX Meeting
 - 3) Formation of Special Committee to revise rules concerning the work of the Committee on Cause (based upon Senate Resolution, March 5, 2014)
 - 4) Update on Special Committees:
 1. Faculty Salary and Benefits
 2. Climate Change and the Anthropocene
3. NU Board of Trustees Chair, William Osborn - 50 minutes
4. Committee Reports and Motions– 35 minutes
 - 1) Benefits, Chair Donna Jurdy
 - 2) Educational Affairs, Chair Susan Lee
 - 3) Governance, Chair Carol Simpson-Stern
 - 4) Non-tenured, Chair Heather Colburn

Motion: *The NTE Committee moves to publish the most recent version of the NTE Faculty Data Table (attached) on the Faculty Senate website, within the section of the NTE Committee (<http://www.northwestern.edu/faculty-senate/committees/non-tenure.html>), under password protection, and to annually update this published table as necessary.*
- 5) Social Responsibility, Chair Marcus Moseley
5. Web conferencing to replace videoconferencing – 5 minutes
6. Open discussion of the success of the NU football players in their claim to the regional NLRB that they have the right to form a union. And of the NU administration's decision to appeal the ruling to the full NLRB. – 15 minutes
 - 1) Question: Why is an appeal in the interests of current and future students, faculty and staff of Northwestern?

- 2) Consideration of motion in support of COIA letter
- 3) Consulting the Faculty Senate

Motion: *Whereas, on March 26, Regional Office 13 of the National Labor Relations Board ruled that grant-in-aid scholarship football players at Northwestern University are employees of the university, and entitled to a vote whether or not they desire to be represented for collective bargaining purposes by College Athletes Players Association (CAPA); and*

Whereas, the Administration of Northwestern University has declared its intention to appeal this decision, basing its appeal among other grounds on the argument that scholarship football players at Northwestern University are primarily students, and secondarily athletes; and

Whereas, the Faculty by statute have a fundamental responsibility at Northwestern for decisions on academic issues, and the University's appeal argues that this is an academic issue; therefore

Resolved, that the Faculty Senate requests that before any appeals are lodged, the University consult with the Faculty Senate, to ascertain the level of support among Faculty for such appeals.

7. New Business - 5 minutes
8. Adjournment - Time for greeting and socializing