

Iowa State University
FACULTY SENATE
Session XV, Meeting 9
MINUTES
April 8, 2003

I. Call to Order

The meeting at the Gateway Center, North Room was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Faculty Senate President Max Wortman.

II. Introduction of Substitute Members

Attendance:

Present: S. Agarwal; M. Al-Kaisi; D. Anderson; C. Baldwin; D. Bullen; D. Carter-Lewis; T. Chacko; B. Coree; J. Cunnally; F. Dark; A.M. Fiore; C. Ford; S. Freeman; S. Gilmore; J. Girton; R. Gregorac; C. Heising; P. Hoffman; M. Holland; W. Huffman; K. Jolls; D. Jones; P. Korsching; R. Kottman; A. Kyber; J. Lamont; G. Leavens; R. Lowry; S. Madon; P. Martin; J. Maves; B. Mennecke; C. Mize; M. Mook; A. Murdoch; M. Olsen; M. Owen; G. Phye; C. Pope; C. Post; P. Premkumar; G. Rajagopalan; B. Robinson; J. Robyt; K. Schilling; J. Schuh; L. Stephens; W. Tavanapong; E. Thacker; J. Thompson; W. Trahanovsky; D. Vrchota; W. Woodman; M. Wortman; P. Wray.

Absent: I. Anderson; D. Bazyliniski; M. Chen; E. Cooper; C. Drewes; C. Fritz; G. Hightshoe; H. Ilahiane; G. Mattson; D. Morrical; J. Raich; D. Simonson; C. Thoen; S. Tim; J. Tollefson; H. van Leeuwen; B. Yang.

Substitutes: T. Butler for C. Fehr; S. Crase for J. Herwig; D. Fowles for C. Martin; Y. Yang for J. Opsomer; J. Duffy for D. Smith; K. Stacy-Bates for T. Belcher.

Guests: B. Allen, Provost; S. Carlson, Provost Office; M. Porter, Parliamentarian; G. Geoffroy, ISU President; J. Hutter; R. Heer, P&S Council; K. Kane, P&S Council.

III. Consent Items

Motion to pass the following consent items was approved:

- A. Agenda for April 8, 2003 - [S02/A/9]
- B. Minutes for Faculty Senate Executive Committee, March 25, 2003
- C. Minutes for Faculty Senate Meeting on March 25 2003 - [S02/M/8]
- D. Report on the Post-Audit of Plan Health and Protection Major - [S02-34]
- E. Calendar for April 8, 2003 - [S02/C/9]

APPROVED

IV. Special Order for the Day: President Geoffroy

Dr. Geoffroy discussed the current budget situation and its impact on ISU.

V. Announcements and Remarks

A. President - Faculty Senate

B. President-Elect, Faculty Senate

Departmental reorganization of the Biological Sciences was discussed. The motion recommended by the reorganization task force and approved by the executive board approving the formation of two new departments as part of the Biological Sciences reorganization was presented.

A motion was made to suspend the rules and place this motion on the agenda under old business, so that it could be voted on at this meeting.

APPROVED by a 2/3 majority.

C. Provost

VI. Old Business

A. Revision of the Extension of the Probationary Period Policy - [S02-35]

Connie Post, Chair of the Faculty Development and Administrative Relations Council, presented the Revision of the Extension of the Probationary Period Policy [S02-35].

APPROVED

B. Procedures Manual Report - [S02-36]

Denise Vrchota, Chair of the Governance Council, presented the Procedures Manual Report [S02-36].

C. Biological Sciences reorganization - [S02-37]

Motion approved by the Executive Board

The Executive Board recommends that the Faculty Senate approve the completion of the first phase of the reorganization of the Biological Sciences, by approving the formation of two new departments and the elimination of four existing

departments. This puts into place a structure of four departments, NREM (Natural Resources and Environmental Management), EEOB, GDCB, and BBMB (Biochemistry, Biophysics, and Molecular Biology) which replace six old departments (Animal Ecology, Botany, BBMB, Forestry, Microbiology, and Zoology and Genetics).

This approval of the formation of these departments does not include approval of the second phase of the reorganization. This will include such items as curricular reform, department structure (including such items as tenure and promotion documents and grievance procedures), space reorganization, and development of new research interest areas. These have yet to be developed or acted on by the affected faculty. The Faculty Senate will continue to monitor the ongoing progress of this reorganization as the next phase is planned. The Faculty Senate will review the activities in this phase of the reorganization and will consider approving them if they are approved by the faculty in the affected departments.

APPROVED

VII. New Business

A. Potential University Calendar

Arne Hallam, Chair of the University Task Force on the Calendar, was present to answer questions about the four proposals his Task Force brought forward to be voted on.

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.