

**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE  
FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2009 -- 4:00–5:00 P.M.  
GREAT HALL, MEMORIAL UNION**

**Present:** Agarwal, S.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, P.; Arndt, G.; Baker, R.; Baldwin, C.; Beattie, G.; Beresnev, I.; Blevins, J.; Butler, A.; Byars, J.; Chaudhuri, S.; Clough, M.; Cooper, E.; Daniels, T.; Dell, B.; Doran, M.; Freeman, S.; Geske, J.; Hargrove, M.; Hendrich, S.; Herrmann, P.; Hillier, A.; Hochstetler, A.; Huffman, W.; Keren, N.; Korsching, P.; Kushkowski, J.; Loy, D.; Luecke, G.; Manu, A.; Martin, M.; Martin, R.; Matzavinos, T.; McQueeney, R.; Minion, C.; Muench, J.; Napolitano, R.; Niday, D.; Osweiler, G.; Owen, M.; Owusu, F.; Palermo, G.; Pleasants, J.; Porter, M.; Prieto, L.; Rule, L.; Sapp, T.; Schalinske, K.; Selby, M.; Smiley-Oyen, A.; Stalder, K.; Sturm, J.; Strohbahn, C.; Torrie, M.; Tuckness, A.; Vander Lugt, K.; van der Valk, A.; VanderZanden, A. M.; van Leeuwen, H.; Wallace, R.; Walter, S.; Wang, Z.J.; Windus, T.

**Absent:** Beetham, J.; Bracha, V.; Day, T.; Ford, C.; Haynes, J.; Jackman, J.; Katz, A.; Mayfield, J.; Porter, S.; Ruben, R.

**Substitutes:** M. Dahlstrom for Beell, T.

**Guests:** Hoffman, E. (Provost); Holger, D. (Provost Office); Sloan Schroeder, C. (P&S Council); Mumm, L. (P&S Council); Rosacker, E. (University Relations).

### **I Call to Order**

#### **A Seating of Substitute Senators**

Note attendance record (above) for identification of substitutes.

### **II Consent Agenda**

**A Minutes of Faculty Senate, May 5, 2009 - [S08/M/10]**

**B Agenda for September 8, 2009 – [S09/A/1]**

**C Calendar – [S09/C/1]**

**D Name Change: Department of Music and Theatre – [S09-1]**

Wallace made a motion to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Rule. Motion carried.

### **III Memorial Resolutions – [S09-2]**

All stood and observed a moment of silence in memory of Senators Barry Larkin and Tom Maze.

### **III Announcements and Remarks**

#### **A Faculty Senate President**

Van der Valk noted that meetings had been held over the summer just past regarding budget issues, involving Senate leadership as well as P&S leadership. The budget will be a major ongoing issue for the Senate during the current semester. Noted that the NTE Task Force had produced a report. Noted that the Teaching Academy Task Force will produce a report by the end of the semester. Noted that the Post-tenure Review Task Force, chaired by President-elect Owen, is currently getting organized and will produce a report during the

spring 2010 semester. Noted that an interactive Senate blog is being created as a means to keep faculty informed of Senate doings and issues. Noted that the October Senate meeting will feature discussion of the University Strategic Plan as well as the budget.

### **B Faculty Senate President-Elect**

Owen noted that he was seeking ideas for a spring conference theme. Noted that he had formed a "Representation Committee", and its key emphases will be to fill vacancies for Senate councils and committees and to increase faculty participation in shared governance opportunities.

Prior to the Provost's comments, van der Valk thanked her for providing food for the reception that preceded this meeting.

### **C Provost**

Hoffman noted that while she would like to have hosted a Senate reception at a venue like Reiman Gardens (site of last year's event), the reception was probably better attended here at the Great Hall prior to this first meeting of the semester. Noted that these are challenging times, but some good news too. Enrollment appears to be at record or near-record levels, and stands at about 1000 more than last year; in the prior two months, there had been record levels of research funding; 93 or 94 new members have just joined the faculty. The bad news is that the Governor estimates a 5-10% budget reversion; after the 10/07/09 revenue estimating conference these figures will be determined. Also, cuts foreseen for FY 2011, because economic trends look unfavorable. Cuts this year likely to be across-the-board for the state, because without the Governor calling the legislature into a special session (which is unlikely), he has no leeway to cut differentially. Noted that hard times such as this aid in strategic planning, because the institution must focus on "who" it is and what it's best at.

Hoffman noted that the H1N1 virus is breaking out elsewhere in the country, but is not as yet a big issue in Iowa; she recommends that all faculty and staff get flu shots. Holger noted that faculty should be merciful toward students who have to miss class, because staying home is the preferred option for anyone infected.

Hoffman took questions. Wallace asked how much of the record funding over the summer was federal "stimulus" money; Hoffman replied that the figure was about \$10M.

### **IV Old Business**

None

### **V New Business**

None

### **VI Good of the Order**

Van der Valk advised all to get flu shots.

### **VII Adjournment**

Geske made a motion to adjourn at 5:00, seconded by Wallace. Motion carried.

**NEW FACULTY ORIENTATION**

Followed the Senate meeting.

Minutes assiduously recorded, painstakingly typed and respectfully submitted by Michael David Martin, duly elected Recording Secretary of the Iowa State University Faculty Senate, upon this fourteenth day of October in the year two thousand and nine *Anno Domini*.

**NEXT MEETING**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2009 -- 3:30-5:00 P.M.**

**GREAT HALL, MU**