

**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE
FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES
MAY 3, 2011 – 3:30–5:00 P.M.
GREAT HALL, MEMORIAL UNION**

Present: Agarwal, S.; Amidon, K.; Anderson, C.; Anderson, P.; Arndt, G.; Beattie, G.; Bhattacharya, J.; Blevins, J.; Bowler, N.; Bruning, M.; Byars, J.; Clough, M.; Cooper, E.; Cunnally, J.; Dahlstrom, M.; Daniels, T.; Dark, V.; Day, T.; Dell, B.; Eisman, A.; Freeman, S.; Greenlee, H.; Harding, C.; Herrmann, P.; Hochstetler, A.; Hostetter, J.; Huffman, W.; Janvrin, D.; Jurenka, R.; Katz, A.; Keren, N.; Kushkowsky, J.; Levis, J.; Loy, D.; Loynachan, T.; Maitra, R.; Manu, A.; Martin, M.; Martin, R.; Matzavinos, T.; Mayfield, J.; Minion, C.; Napolitano, R.; Nelson, S.; Owen, M.; Palermo, G.; Prieto, L.; Sapp, T.; Schaefer, V.; Schalinske, K.; Selby, M.; Sherman, P.; Smiley-Oyen, A.; Stevenson, G.; Strohhahn, C.; Sturm, J.; Taylor, G.; Thompson, L.; Torrie, M.; Townsend, T.; Tuckness, A.; Wallace, R.; Ware, W.; Windus, T.; Zarecor, K.

Absent: Anderson, D.; Baldwin, C.; Baker, R.; Beell, T.; Bracha, V.; Butler, A.; Chaudhuri, S.; Geske, J.; Hendrich, S.; Jackman, J.; Koziel, J.; Kuo, M.; Luecke, G.; McQueeney, R.; Miller, A.; Pleasants, J.; Stalder, K.; van der Valk, A.; Williams, C.; Zhu, D.

Substitutes: A.M. VanderZanden for Fei, S.; P. Reilly for J. Hill; P. Reilly for Hillier, A.; S. Mickelson for Hoff, S.; P. Bruski for Muench, J.; V. Schaefer for van Leeuwen, H.

Guests: Hoffman, E. (Executive Vice President and Provost); Holger, D. (Associate Provost); Rosacker, E. (University Relations); Porter, M. (Parliamentarian); Clarridge, M. (P&S Council); Kane, K. (P&S Council); Chidister, M. (Landscape Architecture)

I. Call to Order.

President Owen called the meeting to order at 3:30 and seated the substitute senators.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of Faculty Senate April 19, 2011 - [S10/M/9]

B. Agenda for May 3, 2011 – [S10/A/10]

C. Calendar – [S10/C/10]

D. 2010-2011 Council Annual Reports [S10-24]

President Owen went over the Calendar. Moved and seconded to accept the consent agenda. Motion passed.

III. Special Order: Spring 2011 Graduation List – [S10-25]

Moved and seconded to accept the Graduation List as distributed. There was no discussion. Motion passed without dissent.

IV. Special Order: Memorial Resolutions – [S10-26]

There were memorial resolutions for Charles Paul Connolly, Jr., Milton Glick, Ruth Glock, J. Colby Kegley, Allen A. Kraft, William L. Larson, and Mary S. Pickett. President Owen asked for a moment of silence after the reading of the names and presentation of photographs. The resolutions will go out to the family of the departed colleagues.

V. Special Order: Annual Promotion and Tenure Report – Provost Hoffman

Provost Hoffman noted that this was a very positive year. Everyone who came up for promotion and/or tenure was successful. She noted that in her five year of reading the dossiers, this group as a whole was the best. Her office is doing some analyses of the records, but some possible contributing factors include:

- more rigorous preliminary review (this is the first cohort since institution of more rigorous renewal criteria)
- more flexible, family-friendly policies especially extending the clock one year
- emphasis on the PRS
- greater transparency regarding expectations for promotion and tenure

Provost Hoffman noted that these are hypotheses only, but will be looking at the increase in case there are questions. Senator Sturm asked who would ask such question. Provost Hoffman replied that the Board of Regents might have questions. At the Regent's meeting, Regent Lang indicated that it may be time to look at tenure.

VI. Special Order: NCAA Faculty Representative Tim Day

Tim Day gave a report addressing three questions:

What is the FAR?

The Faculty Athletic Representative serves as the liaison between the Athletics Department and the President. Concerns should be sent to the FAR or any member of the Athletics Council.

What are the data on academic review?

Student athletes are slightly but not significantly higher than the general student body in GPA and academic distinctions. Data were presented on graduation rates, special admissions, and academic progress rates (NCAA real-time indicator for progress towards degree). Only the Men's Basketball team has been under the 925 minimum set by the NCAA in the last few years. FAR Day acknowledged that he had only chosen to present the strengths rather than the weaknesses, but he also noted that our academic data are as strong as they have been and are very comparable to our peers.

Where do we stand in terms of the NCAA recertification process?

FAR Day described the just completed self study and the certification cycle, which has 7 steps. We are in 3rd step entering a 500 page report into an archaic data entry system. While we were carrying out our self study, the NCAA put a 2-year moratorium on beginning new cycles. Effectively, we are the last of the old style review. In two years the NCAA will have a new system. We hope that we are allowed to complete the cycle and get full certification.

VII. Special Order: Reorganization within the College of Human Sciences [S10-27]

President Owen noted that the reorganization is introduced for the first time today, but that the Executive Board determined that the plan was noncontroversial and that due process was followed and all votes were taken. As a result, the reorganization is on the floor for a vote.

President Owen noted that representatives from the College of Human Sciences were present to answer any questions. President Owen called for questions. There were none.

Motion and second to forward a recommendation to the Provost to proceed with the reorganization. Motion passed.

VIII. Special Order: Proposal for a Minor in World Film Studies [S10-23]

President Owen noted that the minor is introduced for the first time today, but the Executive Board determined that the minor was noncontroversial and that all documentation and approvals were in place. As a result, the minor is on the floor for a vote. President Owen asked for questions. There were none.

Motion and second to approve the minor. Motion passed.

IX. Announcements and Remarks – 4:30 p.m.

A. Faculty Senate President

President Owen remarked that:

- the Sustainability Minor is moving forward but that some votes remain to be taken. It will be acted on at the first meeting in the fall.
- the Faculty Senate and the faculty in general have been every engaged in shared governance this year and that is good thing, which should continue.
- an orientation for new Faculty Senators will be held at the close of this meeting

B. Faculty Senate President-Elect

President-Elect Freeman had no remarks.

C. Provost

Provost Hoffman indicated that it was embarrassing to end the year with the statement that she does not know what the budget is. There is no plan to alter our salary policy in response to the Governor's statements this morning.

Senator Prieto asked how the move to a two-year budget might affect us. Provost Hoffman indicated that she did not think we would be harmed because the budget acknowledges uncertainty in state funds. She noted that Deans are asked to work up three-year budgets, so the change could end up being helpful.

X. Old Business

A. Post Baccalaureate Undergraduate Certificate in Studio Arts [S10-21]

Senator Hendrich presented the proposal, which was introduced at the last meeting. Representatives for the College of Design were present to answer questions. There were no questions or comments. The motion passed unanimously.

B. FS By-Laws Changes [S10-22]

Senator Stalder presented the changes, which were introduced at the last meeting. There are two areas in which changes made: the honorary degree process has been moved to a more appropriate section of the bylaws and a new committee has been added to Academic Affairs. There were no questions or comments. The motion passed unanimously.

XI. Special Order

A. Recognition of Retiring Senators

As the names of the retiring senators were called, each came forward to receive a certificate of appreciation (suitable for framing) and a coffee cup. The retiring senators were:

Wallace Huffman, Economics; Gregory Palermo, Architecture; April Katz, Art and Design; Joe Muench, Art and Design; Andrew Hillier, Chemical & Biological Engineering; Hans van Leeuwen, Civil, Construction & Environmental Engineering; Martha Selby, Material Science and Engineering; Rob Wallace, Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology; Tim Day, Biomedical Science; Vlastislav Bracha, Biomedical Sciences; Rodney Baker, Vet Diagnostic & Production Animal Medicine

B. Passing of Gavel

Outgoing President Owen passed the gavel to Incoming President Freeman. President Freeman displayed a picture of now Past-President Owen playing ice hockey and recognized the many service roles that Past-President Owen has played in the Senate, in RPA Council, and on several Task Forces. Past-President Owen's goal has always been to ensure shared governance and to help strengthen the institution. President Freeman presented Past-President Owen with a plaque. There was a hearty round of applause

C. Seating of New Senators

President Freeman welcomed the new senators, informing them that they were entitled to discuss and vote on new business. He then noted that there was no new business because the Senate put in a lot of time this spring getting things done.

XII. Good of the Order

Senator Rob Wallace noted that Senator John Mayfield is not only leaving the senate, and therefore needs a mug, but that he is retiring. President Freeman called him forward for recognition and gave him a mug.

XIII. Adjournment

President Freeman noted that with adjournment, he would break the record set by President Owen at the last meeting, for shortest Faculty Senate meeting. He noted that we did not spend much time talking about the faculty retreat and urged senators to send ideas to their Caucus Chairs on how to improve interactions with administration and improve faculty morale. President Freeman noted that there would be a brief orientation session for new senators immediately after the current meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15.

NEXT MEETING, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2011- 3:30-5:00 P.M., GREAT HALL, MU

Respectfully submitted,
Veronica Dark
Senate Secretary
September 8, 2011