# IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 13, 2016 – 3:30–5:00 P.M. GREAT HALL, MEMORIAL UNION

**Present:** Andreasen, C.; Beitz, D.; Beresnev, I.; Bigelow, T.; Borich, T.; Bowler, N.; Boyles, J.; Braun, S.; Brown, J.; Burke, B.; Burras, L.; Butler, A.; Cantor, D.; Day, T.; Delate, K.; Dekkers, J.; Derrick, T.; Dilla, W.; Dollisso, A.; Essner, J.; Faber, C.; Fiore, A.M.; Freeman, S.; Gassmann, A.; Guyll, M.; Hanson, V.; Hill, J.; Jackson, R.; Kimber, M.; Luecke, G.; Martin, P.; Montabon, F.; Muench, J.; Munkvold, G.; Niemi, J.; Ockey, G.; Padgett-Walsh, C.; Pellack, L.; Post, C.; Rajan, H.; Roe, K.; Royston, N.; Russell, D.; Ryan, S.; Sanders, E.; Schaefer, V.; Schwab, C.; Seeger, C.; Sponseller, B.; Stone, L.; Sturges, L.; Sturm, J.; Taylor, E.; Tener, J.; Tian, J.; van der Valk, A.; Waggoner, K.; Wallace, R.; Wang, Q.; Zaffarano, B.; Zarecor, K.; Zimmerman, J.

**Absent:** Bain, C.; Bhattacharya, J.; Cochran, E.; Cornick, N; Evans, J.; Godbey, E.; Hartzler, B.; Herrnstadt, S.; Kim, S.; King, D.; Krier, D.; Looney, M.; Martin, R.; Monroe, J.; Naegele, D.; O'Connor, A.; Owen, M.; Phye, G.; Williams, C.; Winter, A.

Substitutes: J. Newman for Weber, E.

Guests: Wickert, J. (SVPP); Bratsch-Prince, D. (Assoc. Provost); Rosacker, E. (University Relations); Rippke, S. (Parliamentarian); Johnson, C. (P&S Council); Roberson, R. (ISU Daily); Hurst, J. (AESHM)

#### I. Call to Order

#### A. Seating of Substitute Senators

President Sturm called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m. and seated the substitute senators.

# II. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of Faculty Senate Meeting November 8, 2016 [S16/M/3]
- B. Agenda for December 13, 2016 [S16/A/4]
- C. Docket Calendar [S16/C/4]
- D. 2017-18 College Curriculum Reports [S16-5]

Senator Sponseller made a motion to move item (VIII)(C) up in the agenda to Item 8C up to (VI)(A), because the content brings us in line with the Board of Regents policy. Past President Wallace seconded. The motion passed without dissension.

#### III. Special Order: Approval of Fall 2016 Graduation List – [S16-6]

Senator Butler moved to accept the list, and Senator Schaefer seconded. The motion passed without dissension.

# IV. Special Order: Memorial Resolutions – [S16-7]

A moment of silence was observed to honor our late colleagues.

# V. Special Order: Heather Dean, University Bookstore

Rita Philips (rphillip@iastate.edu), Director of the ISU Bookstore, provided an overview of the bookstore's operations. The bookstore's mission is: "As the official bookstore serving ISU, we will provide customers the educational products, services and resources to support ISU's mission." The bookstore generates revenue for ISU. In 2015, the bookstore paid 28% of net sales to ISU (institutional support funding, donations and scholarships, rent and utilities to MU). The bookstore also paid for a large part of the Memorial Union remodeling and expansion.

ISU Bookstore compares favorably to peer institutions (in the Independent College Stores Report). The Independent College Bookstore Association honored the ISU Bookstore with the 2015 Excellence in Course Material Management award and MVP for Overall Outstanding Bookstore Performance

Heather Dean (hdean@iastate.edu) is the Course Materials Manager for the ISU Bookstore. She reported that in Fall 2015 and Spring 2016, students saved more than \$4 million, by renting textbooks, purchasing used books, digital books and access codes, and retailer comparison shopping. In AY 2015-2016, the average cost of textbooks for students across all majors was \$383.86. The average cost per textbook unit was \$67.

Manager Dean encouraged faculty to instruct students to shop for their textbooks through AccessPlus. This provides students with a tool to compare prices from the bookstore and popular online retailers. The bookstore receives a rebate if a student purchases materials from another retailer through AccessPlus. In Fall 2016, 85% of students chose to purchase through the bookstore instead of other retailers. This tool enables the bookstore to collect data about student choices and textbook adoptions.

The Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2007 requires universities to provide students with the titles, ISBN, and retail pricing for textbooks. The goal of this law is to enable students to make decisions about where to purchase materials.

# VI. Announcements and Remarks

# A. Faculty Senate President

# 1. Thanks for the Reception

President Sturm received a postcard from ISU Greek Community thanking FS for support of the faculty recognition event in November.

# 2. Congratulations

Programs in Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering were ranked first and second in the *US News and World Report* rankings.

ISU is ranked in the top ten of Tier 1 universities for being friendly to the military.

# 3. Diversity Panel

Five faculty and staff composed a panel to discuss diversity (First Amendment rights, freedoms, and how we should act and treat each other) in the Sun Room. Spectacular event. First Amendment rights. President Sturm expressed hope for more such seminars and symposia.

# 4. University Award for Inclusive Excellence

A new award for inclusive excellence has been established. Questions may be directed to <a href="mailto:awards-ie@iastate.edu">awards-ie@iastate.edu</a> or <a href="mailto:meganmp@iastate.edu">meganmp@iastate.edu</a>. Notifications will be made in May. Up to two awards (\$1500) will be made, one to a faculty member and one to a P&S employee.

# 5. Task Force on Student Evaluations of Teaching

A FS task force to review current practices of student evaluation of teaching has been formed. President-Elect Day is chairing it. The hope is for a report in late April.

# 6. Task Force on Student Onboarding

This new task force will work with the new VP of University Services. President Sturm encouraged senators to volunteer or nominate people.

#### 7. BOR and Tuition

Earlier in the month, BOR considered and ultimately approved differential tuition for five programs. This was not the comprehensive differential tuition supported by faculty and students. Prior to the meeting, FS Executive Board members joined SG leadership in signing a letter to ask BOR to reconsider the comprehensive plan. The response was that BOR would not consider the comprehensive proposal. President Sturm invited BOR leadership to meet with FS leadership, but President Sturm did not received a response. He said he would reach out again.

#### 8. University Flight Services

A "deep dive" audit was conducted of airplane use and flight services by ISU President Leath. President Sturm said that ISU President Leath has been very forthcoming, and has promised that he will not make those errors again. President Sturm expressed satisfaction with ISU President Leath's response.

#### 9. FH 9.2 Appeal through Administrative Channels (S16-10)

This updates FH policy to match the BOR policy. Internal university appeals still have 30 days. BOR appeals must be initiated within ten days of final institutional decision.

#### 10. Extension

President Sturm met with VP for Extension and Outreach Cathann Kress (<a href="mailto:cathann@iastate.edu">cathann@iastate.edu</a>; or contact Director Chad Higgins, <a href="mailto:higginsc@iastate.edu">higginsc@iastate.edu</a>). They discussed a variety of programs supported by Extension and Outreach.

Engaged Scholar Funding Program. This program began with the College of Human Sciences, and has since broadened in scope. Any discipline can apply for grant (\$10-20K), as long as there is an agreement for community sponsoring.

Mentor Academy. This provides mid-career assistance for professional development. It is not content-specific. The program helps faculty become better mentors (to jr faculty, graduate students, et al.).

Operations. Provides support for webinars, conference planning, video recording.

Brown Bag program. Topics for brown bag discussions have included scholarship of engagement, what evidence needs to be gathered in support of engagement in P&T document.

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

None

#### C. Senior Vice President and Provost

#### 1. Student Innovation Center

Provost Wickert displayed images of the proposed Student Innovation Center. Site preparation will begin this winter. The Center will not be associated with any specific academic department. The goal is to provide space for in- and out-of-class learning experiences, with special focus on making things. There will be space available for curricular and co-curricular activities (e.g. glass blowing studio), as well as a shop to sell things. The solar car team and student entrepreneurship from College of Business will be located here.

#### 2. New Buildings

The addition to Bessey Hall and the Biosciences building are moving along well.

# 3. End of Semester

Provost Wickert confirmed President Sturm's comments about the BOR tuition proposal and the TF on New Student Onboarding. He thanked FS for its work in 2016.

Senator Bigelow asked whether skywalks could be considered to connect the Student Innovation Center to nearby buildings like Hoover Hall. Provost Wickert replied that the architects considered that, but it would ruin sightlines.

# D. Other (P&S Council; SG; GPSS)

P&S Council: Clayton Johnson said that in November, ISU President Leath notified employees that all action on FLSA has been halted because of the injunction. UNI and UI have similarly responded to the injunction. P&S Council continues to advocate for employees who would have been affected by the new guidelines (with respect to work/life balance and pay equity). President Johnson said that at the January meeting he would share new language concerning P&S Council's strategic initiatives for diversity

and inclusion. An ad hoc committee has been formed to explore what shared governance means at ISU. How is it documented? Are there resources that need to be created? The P&S Council conference, "Cultivate Your Adventure – From Initiating to Innovating," will take place on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 in Scheman.

SG: none

GPSS: none

#### VII. Unfinished Business

# A. FH 5.2.4.4.5 Appeals [S16-3] – Owen

Past President Wallace said that this proposal brings FH into alignment with historical practice on timing and process of appeals. It clarifies the appeals process and provides consistent, transparent language in FH. Senator Butler moved to approve and Senator Martin seconded. The motion passed without dissension.

#### VIII. New Business

A. FS Bylaw Change: Committee on University Services – [S16-8] – Martin No comments.

# B. Merchandising Undergraduate Certificate – [S16-9] – Bigelow

Senator Bigelow said that this certificate program provides training for students in an area anticipated to grow. Provost Wickert pointed out a typographical error in the proposal. There were no other comments.

C. FH 9.2 Appeal through Administrative Channels - [S16-10] - Sponseller See (VI)(A).

# IX. Good of the Order

President Sturm said that there was a good discussion of diversity and inclusion at the Campus Leaders Breakfast. ISU President Leath said that one clear way to show the importance of diversity and inclusion is to attend and participate in events on campus. President Sturm said that pamphlets from ISU Bookstore and business cards from Extension were available. He announced that Distinguished Professor Emeritus Pete Reilly has stage four cancer, and encouraged senators to reach out to him.

# X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

# NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2017 -- 3:30-5:00 P.M., GREAT HALL, MU

Respectfully submitted January 11, 2017,

Annemarie Butler Faculty Senate Secretary