

MINUTES OF THE NMSU FACULTY SENATE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Senate Chambers, Garcia Annex
4:00 p.m., December 10, 2015

PRESENT: SLC Chair Gary D. Rayson, Ram Acharya, James Bishop, Rebecca Creamer, Angus Dawe, David Keys, Liz Miller, Pat Morandi, Heather Oesterrich, Anita Reinhardt, Rolfe Sassenfeld, William Walker

Excused Absence: Becky Corran

Ex-Officio: Faculty Senate Chair, Stuart Munson-McGee

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by SLC Chair Gary Rayson at 4:01 p.m.

2. Recognition of Guests

No guests

3. Approval of Agenda

Move to amend to add items under "Other Business". Move to amend seconded.

Amended agenda approved.

4. Approval of minutes of November 19, 2015 meeting

Move to approve made and seconded. SLC votes 10 in favor; 1 abstention. Minutes approved as submitted.

5. Reports on Legislation

Proposition 07-15/16: A proposition to change policy 6.82 to define requirements and approvals necessary for transcribed academic accomplishments (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES), G.D. Rayson (A&S))

Long Range Planning committee met 12/10/2015; recommends "Do pass as amended."

Proposition 09-15/16: A Memorial Requesting an Increase in the Scheduled Time between Classes (G. D. Rayson (A&S), H. Oesterreich (Education))

University Affairs committee met 11/12/2015; unanimously recommends "Do Pass".

6. Proposed Legislation

Proposition 10-15/16: Policy Statement for 5.90 – Promotion and Tenure Policy (P. Morandi (A&S))

Assigned to Long Range Planning, meeting Thursday, January 21, 2016.

Proposition 11-15/16: Proposal for a Master of Engineering graduate degree to be offered by departments of the college of engineering. (R. Sassenfeld (Engineering), S. Stochaj (Dean, Engineering), E. Pines (Engineering))

Assigned to Scholastic Affairs, meeting Tuesday, January 19, 2016.

7. Other Business

i. Rule 1.10 Discussion

- How will Faculty Senate process propositions it initiates?
 - What level of Senate approval is needed prior to submitting to General Counsel to begin review and comment period?

Discussion:

- Changes the way we operate. General Counsel and advisory groups will review. Review will take place simultaneously within 6 weeks, then go back to General Counsel for reconciliation and re-review by either UAC or Faculty Senate.
 - What level of approval should it have before it goes to General Counsel and the full process?
 - How much time do we want to spend developing a proposal?
 - Suggestions for process:
 - Option 1 – Distribute to SLC, then along tracks, then to full senate
 - Option 2 – Distribute to SLC, then to committee & Senate, then to tracks
 - Option 3 – Distribute to SLC, then committee, then tracks, then full Senate
 - Draft language will be generated for Senate Bylaws and clarification of process
 - ii. Call for volunteer: NMSU Diversity Council
 - iii. Senate Budget
 - Remaining budget: \$8,841.87
 - Motion to approve made and seconded; SLC votes 9 in favor; 2 abstentions. Budget approved as presented.**
 - iv. Call for nominees: Faculty Grievance Review Board
 - Senators Keys, Walker, and Bishop volunteer.
 - v. Call for volunteer: RFP review committee for Campus Beverage/Snack Vending and Beverage Pouring
 - Still looking for volunteers; does not have to be a senator.
 - vi. Approval of January 14, 2016 Faculty Senate meeting agenda.
 - Remove item 9
 - SLC votes to approve. No oppositions or abstentions. Agenda approved.**
 - vii. Evaluation of senate chair and vice chair
 - Senator Anita Reinhardt volunteers
 - viii. Consent agenda for faculty senate
 - Memorials would fall under consent agenda items, propositions would fall under action items.
 - Would be a way for us to expedite things we do

Discussion: Who decides what goes on the consent agenda?
When the agenda is approved, we are determining if items go to the consent agenda. If adopted, this could mean a change to our bylaws
8. Remarks and Announcements
- A. FS Chair, Munson-McGee
- Senate Chair Election
 - Have 5 candidates for 2 open positions.
 - Current language says we need 2 candidates for a position, but nothing about how to assign a position.
 - Consensus to choose top 2 candidates.
- B. FS Vice-Chair/Senate Leadership Chair, Gary Rayson
9. Adjournment
- Meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.