

FACULTY SENATE MEETING
Monday, 2 February 2009 - 3:30 p.m.
272 Bascom Hall

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chancellor Biddy Martin at 3:32 p.m. with 166 voting members present.

1. Memorial resolutions were presented for:	Doc. No.
Professor Emerita F. Mary Fee	2088
Professor Emerita Lois B. Greenfield	2089
Professor Emeritus Henrik A.L. Hartmann	2090
Professor Emerita Esther M. Jackson	2091
Professor Emeritus Richard L. Reese	2092
Professor Emeritus Daniel G. Rider Jr.	2093

2. Announcements/Informational Items.

Professor Ann Hoyt updated the senate on the “Great People. Great Place.” need-based scholarship initiative. She reported that over \$1.7 million in donations has been received, including match from the UW Credit Union, for a total of close to \$2.9 million including matching funds from the UW Foundation. The campaign is entering its active phase, and Professor Hoyt encouraged senators to speak about the initiative at their departmental meetings in March, in anticipation of a mailing that will be distributed to all faculty in April.

Professor Hoyt updated the senate on the Athletic Board’s progress on its self-study.

Chancellor Martin reported on the outcomes from the chancellor’s forums on the challenges and opportunities facing the university in the current national economic crisis. She also summarized ideas offered at the forums for increasing efficiency and effectiveness at the university.

Chancellor Martin spoke about the national economic stimulus plan and how it might benefit UW-Madison.

Chancellor Martin announced that the search for a new provost will begin in February.

3. Question Period.

Chancellor Martin responded to questions distributed at the door from Professor Jean-Pierre Rosay (District 63), regarding why classes were not cancelled during the recent presidential inauguration and the level of attention the university’s policies give to religious holidays versus civil events.

Chancellor Martin responded to a question from Professor Mark Etzel (District 11) regarding the controversial proposal to perform second-trimester abortions at the Madison Surgery Center, owned by the UW Hospital and Clinics, its doctor groups and Meriter Hospital, and whether she has the power to influence whether university faculty will be allowed to perform such abortions, and whether she would exercise that power. She also responded to a question from Professor Marie-Louise Mares (District 49) regarding inequities between the level of compensation paid to graduate students as lecturers versus what they are paid as teaching assistants.

AUTOMATIC CONSENT BUSINESS

4. The minutes of 1 December 2008 were approved as distributed.

REPORTS

5. Dean Gary Sandefur submitted for informational purposes the Campus Planning Committee Annual Report for 2007-2008. 2094

There were two questions.

6. Associate Professor Thomas Broman, member of the Committee on Committees, presented the slates of candidates for faculty-elected committees from the Committee on Committees. The slates of nominees are: 2095

Commission on Faculty Compensation and Economic Benefits

Thomas Dale, Art History (L&S), arts and humanities
 Adam Gamoran, Sociology (L&S), social studies
 John Frey, Family Medicine (SMPH), social studies
 James LaGro, Urban and Regional Planning (CALs), social studies
 Maximilian Schmeiser, Human Ecology (SOHE), social studies, non-tenured
 Donald Stone, Materials Science and Engineering (ENGR), physical sciences
 two additional nominees to be selected by the Committee on Committees

Committee on Faculty Rights and Responsibilities

David Furumoto, Theatre and Drama (L&S), arts and humanities
 Raymond Harris, Spanish and Portuguese (L&S), arts and humanities
 Tomislav Longinovic, Slavic Languages (L&S), arts and humanities
 Lynn Nyhart, History of Science (L&S), arts and humanities
 George Phillips, Biochemistry (CALs), physical sciences
 James Rawlings, Chemical and Biological Engineering (ENGR), physical sciences
 Hans Sollinger, Surgery (MED), biological sciences
 Karen Steudel, Zoology (L&S), biological sciences

Library Committee

James Davis, Engineering Professional Development (ENGR), physical sciences
 Cynthia Jasper, Human Ecology (SOHE), social studies
 John Pfothenhauer, Mechanical Engineering (ENGR), physical sciences
 Jonathan Zeitlin, Sociology (L&S), social studies

University Committee

Susan Babcock, Materials Science and Engineering (ENGR), physical sciences
 Linda Baumann, Nursing (NUR), social studies
 Margarita Zamora, Spanish and Portuguese (L&S), arts and humanities
 one additional nominee from the social studies division to be selected by the Committee on Committees (to replace Professor Susan Paddock, Professional Development and Applied Studies (CONT ST), who has withdrawn from consideration)

There were no nominations from the floor.

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NEW BUSINESS

7. Interim Provost Julie Underwood presented for discussion the Draft UW-Madison Strategic Framework. 2096

There was significant comment and discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

David Musolf
Secretary of the Faculty