
Single Meeting Proxy: Matthew Wright for Peter Bayer; Michael Hammer for Brianne Heinle, James Mah for Cody Hughes; Shannon Sumpter for Sean Saxon; Dan Young for Susan VanBeuge, Ivet Santiago for An-Pyng Sun.

Meeting Minutes

I. Chair Rhonda Montgomery called the Faculty Senate Meeting to order at 12:15 PM.

II. Minutes from the Senate Meeting of December 2, 2014 were approved 37-0-2.

III. Action Item

A. Amendment of the UNLV Bylaws, Chapter I, Section 2.2 Interpretation of Bylaws
   a. Senator Spangelo moved for approval an amendment to the UNLV Bylaws, Chapter I, Section 2.2 (Interpretation of Bylaws). One amendment (Senator Spangelo) was approved (addition of word "member" to 2.2.C) and the final amendment to Chapter I, Section 2.2 was approved by the Senate 41-0-1. The amendment was recorded as follows:

Sections of Regents Handbook, Senate Constitution/Bylaws Affected: (deletions indicated by strikethrough and additions by bold underline):

CHAPTER I - Organization of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Section 1. Delegated Authority
The Board of Regents delegates to the faculty of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) the authority and responsibility for organizing itself in accordance with institution bylaws and for recommending policy on matters of faculty welfare, on the rights of faculty
under the Nevada System of Higher Education Code, and on faculty involvement in the University's primary missions of teaching, research, and public and community service. (See Chapter I, Section 1.3.4, 1.4.7, and 1.4.8 of the Nevada System of Higher Education Code.) (B/R 12/04)

Section 2. Purpose of the UNLV Bylaws
2.1 Contents of UNLV Bylaws. The UNLV Bylaws shall contain the current educational organization and faculty organization of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; procedures for implementing statements of policy found in the Nevada System of Higher Education Code; statements of policy that relate to the authority and responsibility delegated to the faculty by the Board of Regents; and procedures for implementing these statements of policy. (See Section 1.3.4 of the Nevada System of Higher Education Code.)

2.2 Interpretation of Bylaws.
2.2.A Questions of interpretation of these Bylaws shall be directed to the Faculty Senate Chairperson, who must render an interpretation with the advice and consent of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. Prior to rendering its advice and consent, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee must consult with the University Bylaws Committee.

2.2.B The Faculty Senate Chairperson must publish the interpretation within 30 days.
2.2.C Any UNLV faculty member, including academic, administrative, and executive, may submit a request for interpretation of these bylaws.

IV. Guest Speaker
President Leonard Jessup. In his first address to the Faculty Senate, President Jessup updated the membership on legislative agenda items and the medical school.

V. Committee Reports

A. University Policy Committee – Chair Montgomery described issues related to the current mission of this administrative committee. The proposed UPC mission change will not be signed by the president at this time.

B. Sabbatical Leave Committee – Report was prepared by Committee Chair Tommy Moores

C. PEBP Report – Senator Unger presented in PowerPoint the current status of PEBP (posted on the Faculty Senate website).

VI. New Business

No new business

IX. Adjournment

BRYAN L. SPANGELO, Secretary