UNLV 2010-2011 Faculty Senate Retreat Minutes  
Tuesday, September 14, 2010

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair Maldonado at 12:15 p.m. in Student Union rooms 208-BC.


Single Meeting Proxies: Mike Wilde for Pat LaPutt; Karl Kingsley for Marcia Ditmyer; Mary Kay Orgill for Clemens Heske; Michael Nussbaum for Rebecca Nathanson (long term proxy), David Hatchett for Eduardo Robleto. Absent: Greg Brown, Aly Said

Chair Maldonado welcomed senators and guests. Especially welcomed were the chair’s parents visiting from Ohio. Approval of minutes was postponed until the October senate meeting.

First speaker on the agenda was Dr. Lori Temple, Vice Provost for Information Technology, who described the new campus Lotus Notes messaging archive policy to be implemented October 15th. This policy is in response to litigation requests from General Counsel which currently takes a senior engineer a long, manual process to complete. The new archiving policy will allow General Counsel to be “self serving” when litigation requires email searches. These searches will be conducted in accordance with Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and legal guidelines.

Briefly: all Lotus Notes sent and received e-mail, including attachments, will be archived for seven years. Calendaring and Same time Instant Messaging information will not be archived.

Add’l info: http://lotusnotes.oit.unlv.edu/archiving-mail or contact Bob Fournier.

- The e-mail archive device will keep a copy of all incoming and outgoing e-mail messages and message attachments.
- A copy of each message will remain in the archive even if the owner deletes it from the mailbox.
- Archives will be fully searchable for seven years
- E-mail will automatically be removed after seven years

Jacque Ewing-Taylor from UNR, and NSHE rep on the PEBP board, was the next speaker, via Skype technology, to share the latest information regarding proposed PEBP benefit cuts. She explained the history of the board as well as the current budget cuts. As originally requested by the governor, PEBP was tasked with finding ways to cut the budget for the next biennium. The difference between revenues and costs is $111 mil. PEBP has targeted reductions in plan coverages over the next 2 years to help close the gap. These cuts will also affect retirees in addition to current employees. The final decision will be made when the legislature meets in
February of 2011. Senators had many questions for Ms. Ewing-Taylor and expressed concerns on retaining faculty and staff with proposed cuts such as: increased deductibles, lowering life insurance, possibly phasing out PPO, no domestic partner coverage, and blending the northern HMO with the south. It was suggested to make concerns known through NFA and direct contact with PEBP and the legislature. Links to PowerPoint presentations on Jacque’s website: http://wolfweb.unr.edu/homepage/jacque/pebp.html

Chair Maldonado reported that Senator David Hatchett had agreed to a two-year appointment as chair of the senate Graduate Liaison committees, in addition to being the senate rep on the Graduate Curriculum committee. Additionally, Senator Lori Slinn volunteered to be the senate rep on the university Committee on Centers. Both appointments were much appreciated by Senate chair Maldonado and the Executive Committee. Chair Maldonado asked for a volunteer rep to serve on the Graduate Student Funding Committee – Senator Frink agreed to do so. Senator Richards then volunteered to be the senate rep on the Graduate Faculty & Student Issues committee. Much appreciation to these two senators as well.

Elections by secret ballot:


UNLV Parking Committee reps (2 yr terms): Senator John Filler (EDU) and Jack Schibrowsky (BUS).

Intercollegiate Athletic Council senate reps (3 yr terms) referred to President Smatresk: Andrew Fry, Senator Bryan Spangelo, Timothy Erwin.

Senators Amy Brooks, Clint Richards, John Filler and Bill Robinson responded to chair Maldonado’s call for volunteers from the Senate to serve two year terms on the new University Bylaw Committee. Their leadership is duly noted and appreciated.

Action Item: The 2012-2013 Academic Calendar as prepared by the Registrar’s office was moved for approval by Senator Fabbi, seconded by Senator Pedersen, and approved unanimously. (A small typo was later discovered. It will be revoted on at the October 12 meeting.)

Future Action Item: 2013-2014 Academic Calendar

New Business: none

Adjournment

Senator Carlton moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:50 pm; it was seconded by Senator Fried and approved unanimously. The next meeting is scheduled for 12:15 p.m. October 12, 2010, in the Student Union, Rooms 208-BC.