

NDSU Faculty Senate Minutes

October 12, 2020

- I. Call to Order –*meeting called to order at 3:03 by President Hawley.*
- II. Attendance—*no substitutions.*

Carlos Hawley	x	Long Jiang	
Molly Secor-Turner	x	Zhibin Lin	
Florin Salajan	x	Eric Asa	x
Ali Amiri	x	Shannon Harriger	x
Christopher Byrd	x	Mary Larson	x
Tom DeSutter	x	Sharon Nelson	x
Andrew Green	x	Stephen O'Rourke	
Jeremy Jackson	x	Sara Thompson	x
Ryan Limb	x	Amelia Asperin	x
Birgit Pruess	x	Katie Lyman	x
David Ripplinger	x	Kimberly Overton	x
Guiping Yan	x	Rebecca Woods	
Eric Berg	x	Laura Aldrich-Wolfe	x
Qu Zhang		Josef Dorfmeister	x
Bakr Aly Ahmed	x	John Hershberger	
Anastasiya Andrianova	x	Ken Lepper	x
Lisa Arnold	x	Mark McCourt	x
Sean Burt	x	Kent Rodgers	x
John Creese	x	Abraham Ungar	
Pamela Emanuelson	x	Pinjing Zhao	x
Kristen Fellows	x		
Holly Hassel	x		
Dan Pemstein	x		
Onnolee Nordstrom	x		
Fred Riggins	x		
Ruilin Tian	x		
Majura Selekwa	x		
Changhui Yan	x		

- III. Adoption of Agenda –
 - a. *Pruess motion to add Ad Hoc committee on Shared Governance to Agenda—Secor-Turner second. Motion passed 34 yes, 1 no.*
 - b. *Ripplinger motion to add removal of Carlos Hawley as Faculty Senate President to the agenda—Berg second. Motion passed.*
 - c. *Pruess motion to approve agenda with additions, Lyman second. Agenda approved unanimously.*
- IV. Approval of previous meeting minutes from 14/IX/2020
 - a. *Secor-Turner move to approve, Anastasia second. Passed unanimously.*
- V. Announcements
 - a. Dean Bresciani, President

- i. No announcements.*
 - b. Margaret Fitzgerald, Provost
 - i. No report.*
 - c. Carlos Hawley, Faculty Senate President
 - i. Yielded to announcement given by the Registrar, Phil Hunt.*
 - ii. Registration and Records will be asking faculty about plans for teaching in spring to make it clear to students how courses will be offered.*
 - d. Florin Salajan, Faculty Senate President-Elect
 - i. Yielded to Molly Secor-Turner—announced resignation effective at the end of the semester.*
 - e. Maggie Latterell, Staff Senate President
 - i. Gunkleman award nominations being sought.*
 - f. Matthew Friedmann, Student Body President
 - i. Incentives for student testing for COVID-19 are being offered by Student Government.*
- VI. Committee Reports
 - a. Executive Committee
 - i. Provost Search Committee Chair, Chuck Peterson described role of Provost Search Committee—emphasized role of search committee was not to hire a Provost but to present candidates to the President and ultimately the President would hire the Provost. Dr. Peterson provided an overview of the letter that was sent to faculty (attached). Answered questions from Dr. Hawley and other Senate members.*
 - ii. Questions for the President regarding hire of Dr. Fitzgerald as Provost. A question was posed as to why Dr. Fitzgerald was not invited to apply for the position. As a follow-up an opinion was offered that at the very least an open forum should have been held with Dr. Fitzgerald before her appointment to the position.*
- VII. Consent Agenda

*Lyman motion to approve Consent Agenda, De Sutter second. Consent Agenda passed
Yes = 34, No = 1, Abstain =10.*

 - a. Policy 130
 - b. Policy 135
 - c. Policy 143
 - d. Policy 149.
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Ad hoc committee dedicated to shared governance
 - i. Dr. Pruess provided an overview of the intent of the committee—intent would be for the committee to work on a policy to define shared governance on campus. Dr. Pruess offered to chair and proposed membership of FSEC and President or other administrators.*

Pruess motion to approve, Salajan second. Motion approved, yes = 34 yes, no =3 abstain = 11.

- b. Motion to remove Carlos Hawley as Faculty Senate President
 - i. *Ripplinger motion to approve removal of Carlos Hawley as Faculty Senate President, Berg second.*
 - ii. *Discussion. Statements given by Dr. Hawley and questions posed by faculty senate members.*

Pemstein called the question. Motion approved.

Vote originally recorded as yes = 31, no = 7, abstain = 11 using results from the polling function in Zoom. Following the meeting, votes that were cast by non-Senators were removed from the vote. In total, 39 Senator votes were recorded out of 47 Senators eligible to vote on the current Faculty Senate roster. Votes are recorded below.

<i>Yes (27)</i>	<i>No (5)</i>	<i>Abstain (7)</i>
<i>Dorfmeister</i>	<i>Tackett</i>	<i>Overton</i>
<i>Selekwa</i>	<i>Lepper</i>	<i>Nordstrom</i>
<i>Limb</i>	<i>McCourt</i>	<i>Asa</i>
<i>G. Yan</i>	<i>Rodgers</i>	<i>Tian</i>
<i>Burt</i>	<i>Salajan</i>	<i>Nelson</i>
<i>Zhao</i>		<i>Andrianova</i>
<i>Pruess</i>		<i>Asperin</i>
<i>Arnold</i>		
<i>Larson</i>		
<i>Green</i>		
<i>Creese</i>		
<i>C. Yan</i>		
<i>Thompson</i>		
<i>Emanuelson</i>		
<i>Pemstein</i>		
<i>Lyman</i>		
<i>Byrd</i>		
<i>Fellows</i>		
<i>Berg</i>		
<i>Jackson</i>		
<i>DeSutter</i>		
<i>Riggins</i>		
<i>Aldrich-Wolfe</i>		
<i>Ripplinger</i>		

Ahmed		
Hassel		
Secor-Turner		

***No votes were recorded for the following Faculty Senate members: Hawley, Zhang, Jian, Lin, O'Rourke, Woods, Hershberger, Ungar*

As a point of clarity, following the meeting the appointed Faculty Senate Parliamentarian, Ali Amiri, was asked to review the vote in consultation with the current Faculty Senate Bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised. On 10/13/20, Dr. Amiri sent the following email regarding his review:

"The motion passes. I did not count abstain into my "vote" count, Robert's Rules is clear on that. The only confusion was should it be 2/3 of the voting members present, or 2/3 of votes cast.

*RR clearly says a "two-third" vote **means at least two-third of the votes cast by persons entitled to vote.** And since our by-laws do not explicitly say "two-third of members present", we needed 26 out of 38 votes cast to pass the motion, and motion passes."*

- IX. Planning and prioritizing Senate action for the year
 - a. Provost appointment and dismissal
 - b. Anti-racism
 - c. Curriculum initiatives
 - d. International initiatives
 - e. ...

Planning and prioritization Senate action for the year was not addressed due to time.

- X. Adjourn—DeSutter move to approve; Limb second. Meeting adjourned at 4:35.