



Minutes of the  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FACULTY SENATE  
July 16, 2015

APPROVED

PRESENT: Richard Albistegui-Dubois, Melinda Carrillo, April Cunningham, Jenny Fererro, Greg Larson, Teresa Laughlin, Shannon Lienhart, Travis Ritt, Seth San Juan, Chris Sinnott, Fari Towfiq

ABSENT: Joel Glassman, Sergio Hernandez, Barb Kelber, Lawrence Lawson, Jackie Martin, Pam McDonough, Christina Moore, Lillian Payn

GUESTS: Teaghan Ritt

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the President, Greg Larson, at 3:00 p.m. in Room SU-30.

Please note: All votes are presumed unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

Information: Greg Larson informed the Senate that the internal call for the Interim Dean of Math and Natural and Health Sciences position was declared a failed search and is going out for an external call for applicants. This external call will delay the date for search committee composition to August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Hiring Committee  
Elections/Confirmations:

Motion 1 MSC Laughlin, Sinnott: Faculty Senate confirmation of the following committee appointments:

Interim Dean of Math and Natural and Health Sciences Selection Committee

Lesley Williams (Life Sciences)

Karen Donovan (Nursing)

Daniel Finkenthal (Physics & Engineering)

The motion carried.

Motion 2 MSC Laughlin, Albistegui-Dubois: to revisit postponed Motion 3 from the July 7<sup>th</sup> Faculty Senate meeting: Faculty Senate approval of the following committee appointment:

Interim Dean of Math and Natural Health Sciences Selection Committee

Cindy Torgison (At-large)

The motion carried.

Brief discussion followed on other interim dean positions, search committees, and current status. It was also mentioned that AP 7120 will return to the Policies and Procedures committee in September for further revision, and the language on failed searches will be examined.

Information:

Greg Larson informed Senators of Governing Board action at their meeting on July 14<sup>th</sup>, when they pulled a faculty step placement item from the consent calendar due to questions about the faculty member's equivalency for the position. The faculty member has already been hired by the district, but the Board plans to revisit the equivalency issue at their next meeting. President Larson reminded Governing Board President Halcon about the role of the Governing Board in that it "relies primarily on" relationships with the Senate, and the fact that faculty equivalency is the purview of the faculty. Further discussion occurred among Senators about concerns with this action of the Governing Board. The Senate will revisit this issue in the fall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Fererro, Secretary