

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

September 21, 2006

The Faculty Senate of the University of North Alabama met September 21, 2006 in the Faculty/Staff Commons of the University Center at 3:30 p.m.

President Loew called the meeting to order and recognized Chris Maynard, proxy for Senator Makowski from History and Political Science.

The following senators were present: Adams, Adler, Atkinson, Bates, Bruce, Bunn, Crandon, Crisler, Davidson, Dumas, Fennell, Ferry, Flowers, Gaston, Gossett, Green, Hallock, Hurren, Leonard, Lindsey, Loew, Mauriello, McDaniel, Richardson, Robinson, Roden, Statom, Takeuchi, Turner, Wallace, Ward, and Williams.

President Loew asked that the proposed agenda be amended to add under New Business C. Senate Representative to the Enrollment Management Task Force. Senator Flowers moved the adoption of the amended agenda. Senator Ward seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Senator McDaniel moved the approval of the May 4, 2006 minutes. Senator Richardson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President Cale thanked Past-President Adams for a productive year and welcomed President Loew to her position. He reported that on October 13 there will be a webcast about Global Issues with a box lunch in the GUC. Faculty, Executive Council members, the National Alumni Association, and Staff Senate are being invited. President Cale reported that there were no findings from the audit of the year ending September 2005. He reported that Krisi VanRensselaer who serves as the Senate's representative on the UNA Foundation has volunteered to go and recruit three of her fellow professors to look at the investment portfolio of the foundation. President Cale expressed his thanks for her efforts.

President Cale reported that raises for the coming year would be five percent with added adjustments for full professors with \$1500 and adjustments of \$500 for associate professors. He is having conversations with the academic deans concerning our representative on the state level for graduate programs. He is considering adding this task to the job portfolio of one of the college deans and asked the senate to consider this possibility and advise possibly at the next meeting.

President Cale reported that he and Mayor Irons are following up on the Town and Gown Study. Tom Kersen is the faculty representative serving on this study along with our new Vice-President of Student Affairs, David Shields.

President Cale reported that there have been three prospective Human Resources Directors interviewed. There is one more remaining to be interviewed. He considers the

pool very strong and expects to have an announcement soon. He stated that he hopes to begin the Vice-President for Advancement search soon.

President Cale reported that the Knight vs. Alabama law suit is reaching a conclusion. The creation of an Institutional Diversity Plan will be requesting representatives from the faculty senate and shared governance.

President Loew thanked President Cale for his report and asked the senators to introduce themselves.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The Faculty Development Leave Policy is moving back to the Faculty Affairs Committee.
- B. The Revised Grievance Report was sent by email at the end of last spring. If anyone did not receive it, President Loew requested that they contact her.
- C. The INS guidelines for employing international faculty have been sent to the Faculty Affairs Committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Committee Reports: none
- B. Shared Governance reports:
 - 1. The Strategic Planning and Budget Committee will provide President Loew with the approved minutes of their meetings.
 - 2. Kristi VanRensselaer reported from the UNA Foundation. She thanked President Cale for the opportunity to have an impact by reviewing the investment portfolio. She also stated that they are considering a manner in which funds could be supplied for student academic activities. This would be a current use fund.

NEW BUSINESS:

Senator Richard moved to suspend the rules to allow for voting on the following representatives.

- A. Senator Statom was elected as the Faculty Senate Representative for the Veteran's Day Committee.
- B. Joy Borah and Robert Bailey were reelected as Senate Representatives on the Presidential Mentor's Academy Committee.

- C. Senator Paul Crandon was elected as the Faculty Senate Representative on the Enrollment Management Task Force.
- D. Senators Nancy Atkinson and Senator Robert Adler were elected to the Diversity Committee.

ADDITIONAL ISSUES:

Senators expressed concern that the violation of students parking in faculty parking places is not being enforced. Questions were raised as to how repeat offenders are handled. Illegal parking is also a problem. It was requested that President Loew convey these concerns to the Parking and Traffic Committee.

It was reported that the library repair should be finished by December.

Senator Fennell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Senator Roden seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.