



FACULTY SENATE 2020-2021

ISU Faculty Senate

Official Minutes

Monday, January 11, 2021 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Location: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://isu.zoom.us/j/93311614308?pwd=OUFrTBVWng5UUtMTDIQ2NuQlJOdz09>

Meeting ID: 933 1161 4308

Passcode: 114735

In Attendance: Jasun Carr, Anish Sebastian, David Hachey, Ryan Pitcher, Cory Bennett, Tania Harden, Alex Rose, Tony Forest, Ken Aho, Jerry Leffler, John Holmes, Dan Dale, Darren Leavitt, Chad Yates, Bethany Schultz-Hurst, Mary Hofle, Christy Sabel, Diane Ogiela, Katie Thomas, Phoebe Greene, Kathy Eroschenko, Gesine Hearn, Christine Hall, Jim Stoutenborough, Tyler Jepson, John Baker, David Hachey, Amanda Eller

Absent But Excused:

Absent: Aayush Jha

Ex-Officio: Kellee Kirkpatrick, Laura Woodworth-Ney, Karen Appleby, Dani Dunstan, Craig Chatriand, Rex Force, Blake Christensen, Kevin Satterlee, Joanne Togle, Lyn Redington, Nitin Srivastava, Karen Hartman

Recording Secretary: Ann Medinger

Open Forum:

None

1) Announcements

- a) Faculty Senate Bylaws Subcommittee
 - i) We are in need of additional volunteers to see this through
 - (1) Current Volunteers
 - (a) Jim Stoutenborough
 - (b) Bethany Schultz-Hurst

2) ASISU Update

3) Student Affairs Update- Craig Chatriand

- a) ASISU Elections coming up
 - i) If faculty members are aware of students that they think would be a good fit as a member of ASISU, please refer them to Craig Chatriand

4) Academic Affairs Update

- a) **Board meeting**
 - i) Multi-year contract for Library
 - ii) Two new approved programs
 - (1) Elementary Education On Line
 - (2) Teacher Special Education program



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5) President's Update- Kevin Satterlee

- a) General Updates
 - i) Planning FY 2022 budget process
 - (1) Current Governors budget proposal holds us flat- budget-wise- for the upcoming fiscal year
 - (2) Biggest budget concerns is offsetting deficits in housing, athletics, etc.
- b) COVID-19 screening program
 - i) Varying points of view from everyone regarding this program
 - ii) Why we are following through with the screening program
 - (1) Universities that have screening programs end up with a fraction of the COVID cases of universities that do not have screening processes
 - (2) Due to consultation with national and regional health experts, this is where we are at
 - iii) This does not take place of social distancing, face coverings, teleworking, etc. This is in addition to those measures
 - iv) These measures are being paid for by Federal stimulus dollars
 - v) No decisions have been made in regards to requiring mandatory COVID vaccinations
 - vi) Faculty please encourage students to be checking their email for any updates or bumps in the road that come up due to complications in supply or other things that come up.

6) Guest-

- a) Glen Nelson- reschedule for next meeting
 - i) Budget questions and concerns
 - (1) Pre-COVID money
 - (a) \$11.7 million deficit was projected
 - (i) Continued enrollment shortfalls
 - (b) Approximately \$9 million was eliminated due to department budget cuts
 - (c) Approximately 100 positions were eliminated
 - (d) 2.7 million in reserves were going to be used to help eliminate this deficit
 - (2) COVID
 - (a) State held back \$5 million
 - (i) Furlough plan eliminated \$2 million
 - (ii) \$2.7 million was accounted for in a hiring freeze
 - (3) Money from CARES
 - (a) Received approximately \$8 million
 - (i) Reimbursed ISU for PPE and other COVID-related expenditures
 - (ii) We are spending approximately \$1.5 million over what we received in COVID-related expenditures
 - (4) Where we are financially for the year
 - (a) Expenditures are down, but so is revenue
 - (i) Overall revenue is down approximately \$3 million
 - (ii) New Cares act may help eliminate the \$3 million problem
 - (iii) Governor is favorable in releasing the Emergency Educational Funds
- b) Karen Hartman
 - i) Introduction as the new Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR)
 - (1) Hartman introduced herself and explained her duties
 - (2) Available positions are faculty positions

7) Consent Agenda- Approved

- a) FS Minutes November 30, 2020



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b) BAS Minutes February 21, 2020

8) Continuing Business

- a) Program Health and Sustainability
 - i) Joanne Tokle updated the senate
 - (1) New box folders are being set up for viewing materials and reports
 - (2) Faculty Senate will have the documents they need by the end of January
 - (3) February 19 is the due date for reviews of programs in bottom two quintiles
 - (4) A template for feedback will be provided with the information provided, to aid in reviewing programs
 - ii) A list of senators by college has been created and is available in the box folder for this meeting
 - iii) There are approximately 200 programs with about 80 of those falling into the bottom two quintiles for Senate to review
 - iv) Discussion for how the 80 programs for review will be divided
- b) Letter to release faculty from worry concerning taking advantage of stop-the-clock and other features that have been implemented as a result of COVID-19
 - i) Form a committee to draft this letter
 - ii) Discuss allowing faculty to provide a narrative on their specific case
 - iii) Have dean write a form letter saying the candidate has met the criteria for tenure this cycle
 - iv) Discussion on this topic ensued
 - v) Volunteer to head up drafting this letter
 - (1) Reach out to Jerry if you are willing to head up drafting this letter

9) New Business

- a) Nominations for new AAB members
 - i) Replace Karen Hartman for one semester only
 - ii) Replace Bob Tokle through Spring 2024
 - iii) One- one-year appointment renewable for up to three years
- b) Executive Session- Emeritus Status for Dr. Laura Woodworth-Ney: Tabled until next meeting

ACTION- Rose moved to go into executive session

Carr Seconded

Motion carried

ACTION- Rose Motion to exit executive session

Motion seconded

Motion carried

- i) If the motion passes, it is with the caveat that the Emeritus Policy must pass and be signed prior to the motion becoming official.
- c) Should ISU require the COVID-19 vaccination?
 - i) Send feedback from faculty to Jerry and copy Ann so we can compile- the information
 - ii) Discussion ensued regarding this topic
 - (1) Holmes suggested we have the health committee address the Faculty Senate on this topic so we can make a data-driven approach rather than an emotion-driven approach

10) Adjournment

ACTION- Rose motioned to adjourn

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm