# Lincoln University Faculty Senate April 29, 2010 Regular Meeting, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon 106 MLK

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Debra Greene, chair, at 11:01. A quorum was present.

# Approval of the March 26, 2010, Meeting Minutes

Dr. Nancy Browning moved the minutes of the March, 25, 2010, meeting be approved. Dr. Michael Bardot seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

# **Officer Reports**

# A. Senate Executive Committee

Dr. Debra Greene stated that one of the Lincoln University Senate Executive Committee's duties is to send recommendations for university committee memberships to the president. She encouraged individuals to fill out the self-nomination form for committee assignments and forward the form to the executive committee. The process must be completed by May 1.

### **Unfinished Business**

A. Senate Recommended Change to Rules and Regulations, 3.06 Academic Departments: Leadership Dr. Debra Greene stated that two of the three faculty senate recommendations for change to the Lincoln University Rules and Regulations, passed in November 2009, have been approved by the Board of Curators except for the one on academic department leadership. The recommendation has been returned, with the rationale for non-approval, to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. The committee will meet this summer through early fall, 2010, to rework the wording of the recommendation. As the proposal originated with LU's AAUP chapter, Dr. DeBord and the AAUP will be working with the committee on this. Once completed, a report on the revised proposal will come back to the senate.

# **New Business**

A. 2010-2011 Election of Officers, Executive Committee Action Item, Dr. Derek Smith Dr. Derek Smith presented the current nominations:

Chairperson—

Dr. Leon Stevens, Computer Science, Mathematics and Technology

Dr. Michael Bardot, History, Political Science and Philosophy

Vice-Chairperson—

Dr. Mara Aruguete, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Secretary—

Ms. Marilyn Richardson, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Parliamentarian—

Mr. Bryan Fawks, History, Political Science and Philosophy

Dr. Smith opened the floor for further nominations for chairperson. Mr. Don Govang moved that the nominations close. Dr. Mara Aruguete seconded the motion. The motion was approved. Ballots were distributed for the position of chairperson.

Dr. Smith opened the floor for further nominations for vice-chair. Mr. Don Govang moved that the nominations close. Dr. Amy Gossett seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Dr. Smith opened the floor for further nominations for secretary. Mr. Thomas Greninger moved that the nominations close. Dr. Don Govang seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Dr. Smith opened the floor for further nominations for parliamentarian. Mr. Don Govang moved that the nominations close. Mr. James Tatum seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Dr. Connie Hamacher moved that those nominated for the positions of vice-chair, secretary, and parliamentarian be approved by acclamation. Dr. Amy Gossett seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Following the counting of the ballots for Senate Chairperson, Dr. Smith announced that Dr. Michael Bardot had been elected chair.

# B. Library Science Minor Program, Curriculum Committee, Dr. Amy Gossett

Dr. Amy Gossett introduced the proposal for a minor program in library science. As a minor, the program will not go to the state for approval. Three new courses are contained within the program, and at the present, courses can be taught by staff, however, at some point, the plan is to ask for two additional faculty.

Ms. Elizabeth Wilson, head of the library, introduced Mrs. Faye Carter, retired librarian, who was present for this historic occasion. Ms. Wilson stated that the program will consist of nine core hours and nine courses from a designated list of courses drawn from several disciplines. She stated that there was a need for diversity in the library field, and that this new program would draw on the diversity of our university, thus, helping to meet current and future needs in this field.

Dr. Mara Aruguete moved approval of the minor. Dr. Cal Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## C. Campus Internationalization Steering Committee, Dr. Gabrielle Malfatti-Rachel

Dr. Gabrielle Malfatti-Rachel introduced the formation of the Campus Internationalization Steering Committee, its functions and future goals. Thus far, major accomplishments include the following:

- 1. Hosting a Fulbright Scholar, who will arrive April of the 2010-2011 year,
- 2. Hosting the International Education Week celebration
- 3. Participation in International Education Day at the Capitol (Mrs. Beza and 16 international students were involved in the activities.)
- 4. Membership in MOCON, a consortium of Missouri universities which sponsors international study programs in London, Greece and Ghana. All members belong to the London program and can opt into the other two. LU belongs to all three.

- 5. Charter membership in Study Missouri, a CBHE initiative. At the present, there are approximately 29 members in Study Missouri.
- 6. A visible LU presence at the NASFA (National Association of International Educators) 2010 Convention in Kansas City.

### **Announcements**

- 1. Dr. Rachel Sale: Dr. Sale announced that, based on present plans, faculty will be able to move grades from ANGEL to WebAdvisor sometime after this summer.
- 2. Dr. Cal Johnson: Dr. Johnson stood to recognize Dr. Debra Greene's dedication and hard work as Faculty Senate Chairperson, to which everyone heartily agreed.
- 3. Dr. Debra Greene: Dr. Greene thanked members for the accolade and stated that she was proud to represent the senate for the past three years.
- 4. Dr. Ruthi Sturdevant: Dr. Sturdevant reminded faculty that a student must earn a "C" in a prerequisite class. She will not do an override and do not send a request for one to the department heads.
- 5. Mr. Don Govang: Mr. Govang reminded faculty of that the President's Band Concert tomorrow, April 30, at 6:00 p.m., in Mitchell Auditorium at Richardson Hall.

The Spring Choir Concert will be held on May 7 at 7:30 p.m. in Mitchell Auditorium.

A student art show is being held in Richardson Fine Arts Gallery. Hours are 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and will continue through May 7.

6. Dr. Nancy Browning: Dr. Browning announced the AAUP dinner get-together today at Madison's Café at 5:45 p.m. All faculty are invited.

Dr. Browning also announced a dessert fundraiser for adoption and foster care this evening from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship, 1021 Northeast Drive. The cost is \$10. Lloyd Grotjan will be playing.

7. Dr. Kurt DeBord: Dr. DeBord, representing the Common Read Committee, passed out flyers on fall activities, such as a poetry read and spelling bee, connected to the common read selection, *Macnolia*.

A motion was made to adjourn. It was so moved.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Richardson Senate Secretary