

Minutes of the Lincoln University Faculty Senate
Special Meeting for Adoption of Senate Bylaws
May 8, 2008

Meeting called to order at 11:00 a.m. in room 106 MLK by Dr. Debra Greene, Senate chair. A quorum was present.

Dr. Greene presented the proposed Faculty Senate bylaws and thanked the ad hoc committee for their input and faculty members for their suggested revisions.

Dr. Aruguete suggested that under the duties of the Senate chair the phrase “preside at all meetings” be replaced with “preside at meetings.” This accounts for the occasions when the chair cannot be at the meeting and the vice chair or another officer has to preside.

Dr. Browning suggested that a draft of the meeting minutes be posted to the listserv as soon as possible after the meeting. A general discussion of present policy and possible problems this would create ensued. The chair called for a motion on the issue. Dr. Ruth Robertson moved that the minutes of the senate meetings should be published for faculty review by the second Thursday of the month following the meeting.” The motion was seconded by Dr. Jim Borgwald.

There was a general discussion of the language in section 2.10- Faculty Senate Composition. A motion was made to amend section 2.10 to read “the faculty senate shall be composed of all permanent and temporary full-time members of the academic faculty (academic appointment of .75 FTE or higher). After much discussion both for and against the amendment, the question was called. The motion passed. Dr. Michael Bardot asked for a division of the house. The division was 32 votes in favor and 9 votes against.

Dr. Browning moved a voted by acclamation for the rest of the bylaws document provided that typos, spelling and other syntax errors be corrected in the final document. The motion was seconded by Motion passed.

Announcements:

Dr. Carolyn Mahoney, University President, announced that the Rules and Regulations document which the Senate Bylaws will be a part of had not been completed and would go to the Board of Curators in the fall; there would be a Fall Institute with notification to follow.

Dr. Ruthi Sturdevant announced an Online Course workshop, May 14, 2008, 9:00-12 noon.

Dr. Annette Digby, VPAA, the selection of the Angel Learning Course Management system for fall 2008. She called for faculty volunteers to be on the implementation team. Training on the system will take place during June and July. The Blackboard

license will expire by October 2008. Faculty will only have access to Angel by spring 2009 semester. Each faculty member must convert their own courses from Blackboard to Angel. Angel has a work area called a "sandbox" which allows faculty to "play" with the course management system to become familiar with it.

Dr. Browning announced that the AAUP pre-graduation breakfast will be held at Panera Bread at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 11, 2008.

Dr. Cynthia Chapel announced that Dr. Marilyn Hofmann, professor of Education will be recognized for 35 years of service to Lincoln University at a reception hosted by her department immediately following the meeting; and invited everyone.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Gerald Kendrick