

**MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE
February 4, 2013**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Secretary of the Faculty J.C. Mutchler at 3:05 p.m. in the College of Law, Room 160.

Present: Senators Abraham, Ayoun, Bilby, Brewer, Brooks, Brown, Cervelli, Colina, Comrie, Conway, Cuello, Dahlgran, Duran, Fountain, Ganapol, Guertin, Hart, Higgins, Hildebrand, Howell, Labate, Lee, Lysecky, Martin, McCammon, Moreno, Murray, Mutchler, Nadel, Nolan, Pau, Reed, Rychlik, Secomb, Silverman, St. John, Ulreich, Vaillancourt, Watchman, Witte, Zedeno and Zwinger.

Absent: Senators Alavy, Aleamoni, Carvajal, Castro, Chiu, Cuello, Franklin, Fregosi, Galvani, Gehrels, Johnson, Jones, Mitchell, Padilla, Renger, Reynolds, Rosenblatt, Smith, Sokoloff, Spece, Stapp, Strittmatter and Tabor.

2. OPEN SESSION

Senator Ganapol spoke of his concern that the clocks in the Aerospace-Mechanical Engineering building have been fifteen minutes slow since the beginning of last semester and that causes confusion for students and professors.

Senator McCammon shared her concerns about the lack of raises for staff and faculty. The last raises were in 2007: Across the board raises for staff and merit raises for faculty. She expressed the hope that the new budget will allow for raises for all.

3. REPORTS

3A. ASUA President Katy Murray

ASUA President Katy Murray informed Senate that the applications for the breakfast with President Hart program have created a great deal of interest. There are two breakfast meetings scheduled, February 14th and April 23rd. Applications have been received and participants for both will be chosen from the nominations submitted. ASUA is in the process of completing their five year contract with the University Book Stores and their three year contract with Zona Zoo. The three nominations for UA Student Regent to ABOR have been sent to Governor Brewer. Her decision should be announced in mid-February. Election season for ASUA is underway. The primary election will be held at the end of February and the general election will be held in March. The next large student event will be the *Tunnel of Oppression*; an interactive experience for participants to learn about present day oppression, on February 11th -12th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The State-of-the-Student event and luncheon will be held on April 1 from 12:00-1:30 p.m. in the Student Union Grand Ballroom. Annual scholarships will be awarded at that event. Plans are in place for a concert at the end of April. Finally, the tuition retreat is scheduled for the end of February.

3B. GPSC President Zachary Brooks

GPSC President Zachary Brooks told Senate that GPSC announced the hiring of a new program-coordinator, Jill Lloyd. Brooks said that discussions are ongoing concerning ERE, Responsibility Centered Management 2 (RCM2) and tuition. Campus Rec fees for the summer and medical co-pays are also under review. Brooks said that GPSC is represented by two students on the Dean of Students Search Committee. GPSC has a trip planned to Washington DC to ask for an end to sequestration. Issues being addressed include Student Travel Grants and Childcare Grants. Upcoming events include: GPSC elections the end of March, Cats-at-the Capital in Phoenix, and a meeting with ASU prior to ABOR this week to discuss the ASA fee associated with all students' tuition.

3C. Faculty Officers' Report

Presiding Officer Mutchler told Senators he has joined the President's Office as Executive Director and Vice President. Senator Nadel has been appointed as the new Chair of SPBAC through June of 2014. Mutchler also announced that Brianna Thaut, Faculty Center Program Coordinator will be leaving to take a position in the state of Washington. He also reminded Senators that petitions for elected positions for the Spring elections are due by 5:00 p.m. Friday, February 8th. He told Senators that Senate would go into Executive Session at approximately 4:45 p.m. today to review and vote on Honorary Degrees candidates.

3D. Provost Andrew Comrie

Provost Andrew Comrie told Senators that Carla Stoffle will be stepping down as Dean of the University Libraries at the end of the semester. Associate Provost Tom Miller has been appointed to head the search committee. Multiple forums will be held to gather input from University Libraries' stakeholders. The search for a Dean of the College of Law is progressing. The UA Strategic Plan narrative is being drafted with input from SPBAC and the various Town Hall meetings that were held last semester. The next steps involve integrating space needs along with the business plan. The RCM2 committee was launched last week, working to give UA a transparent budgeting process. There are approximately twenty people on the steering committee with nine subcommittees involving fifty to sixty people, including members of SPBAC. The University level promotion and tenure process is also underway.

3E. President Ann Weaver Hart

President Hart informed the Senate about the reorganization of her Executive Office. She is looking for ways to increase the strategic effectiveness of the office by reallocating resources that are already in place. For example, the entire business services center in her office will be eliminated. Senator Mutchler will serve as her new Executive Director and UA's main liaison to ABOR. President Hart is working on the 2014 fiscal year budget and how it relates to tuition; she expects to be modeling her budget plan within four to six weeks. President Hart discussed Performance Based funding and its impact on the UA budget. She also discussed Governor Brewer's proposed Executive Budget, including funding for the UA Medical School-Phoenix. One aspect of Governor Brewer's budget plan that will impact the UA medical and health care programs is the Affordable Medicaid Plan and Medicaid expansion ideas, including the self-tax that will be paid by hospitals and reimbursed by the Federal government. \$1.5B could go to other states if Arizona doesn't participate in the plan. Hart discussed the implications of sequestration. There will be a 5% cut in federal funding over the March to December period if sequestration is allowed to go into effect. This cut could dramatically impact any new research monies. President Hart updated Senate about the ongoing senior executive searches for the Cancer Center Director and Senior Vice President for Health Sciences. The background checks and reference calls are in process for the Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost as well as the Senior Vice President of University Relations positions and final appointments should be decided within the next week. Dr. Michael Waldrum, new CEO of the University of Arizona Health Network, is already in place. The next few months are critical for shaping the Network's future. President Hart and Associate Vice President for State Relations, Tim Bee, are actively engaged with the legislature in Phoenix to work on various issues.

4. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD FOR ITEM 3

1) Senator Brooks asked for more information about "claw back." Claw back is a way of funding the universities. The money is actually just moved from continuing funds to contingent funds. 2) Senator Martin asked if "claw backs" are actually direct cuts. Yes, though the funds are redistributed.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF December 3, 2012

The minutes of December 3, 2012 were approved with one abstention.

6. APPROVAL OF THE UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL'S CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (attachment)

Presiding Officer Mutchler reminded Senators that Consent Agenda items come as seconded motions. The Consent Agenda items forwarded by Undergraduate Council and detailed at the end of these minutes [**Motions 2012/13-13-15**] were approved.

7. ACTION ITEM: PROPOSED UPDATES TO THE FACULTY CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Presiding Officer Mutchler reminded Senators this is the third time the Senate's Race Equity Task Force has come before Senate to receive the Senate's endorsement to be placed on the faculty general election ballot in order to become a permanent Senate Standing Committee. The proposed charge, bylaws and ballot proposition were reviewed. Members were asked to vote to forward the proposal to the Spring 2013 General Faculty General Election.

Senators' questions and comments included: 1) Why is the membership of the committee made up of six college versus non-college members? Miranda Joseph said the committee is populated to reflect relative expertise in each member's field. 2) What is the difference between "diversity" and "race equity"? Is there some sort of distinction that is being made? Equity implies that people are not starting out equal. 3) Will members be "appointed" or "nominated" by the Committee on Committees? As with many other committees, members will be appointed by the Committee on Committees. 4) Are issues of diversity and questions about gender issues addressed in the charge? Miranda Joseph said that the task force came out of questions and issues that dealt with SB 1070 and Proposition 107. Joseph feels that although race and gender issues intersect, if the Senate wants to address substantial gender inequity issues, it may need to authorize another committee or expand the scope of the currently proposed committee. 5) Maybe Race is the wrong word. Race is a very charged word. Yes, it is a charged word, but it applies to where we are right now. 6) Here is the slide with the list of peer institutions and the names of their committees. Joseph also said that the Task Force is not against a name change that would more closely reflect the charge of the committee. Members looked at the names of similar committees on UA peer campuses and discussed the merits of each.

It was moved and seconded [**Motion 2012/13-16**] to change the name of the proposed Senate Standing Committee from *Committee on Race Equity* to *Committee on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion*. Motion passed.

It was moved and seconded [**Motion 2012/13-17**] to change the charge and proposition by putting a period after “bias” and then deleting “related to race and ethnicity” and inserting *Committee on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion* into all areas where *Committee on Race Equity* or its acronym was used. Motion passed.

Chair of the Faculty Wanda Howell suggested that the wordsmithing within the charge, Faculty bylaws and proposition take place within the Task Force so that the *Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee* can be on the Spring 2013 General Faculty General Election ballot. Senate will have an opportunity to look at the changed wording before the proposition goes on the General Election ballot.

It was moved and seconded [**Motion 2012/13-18**] to send the *Faculty Senate Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Standing Committee* proposal forward to the upcoming ballot.

8. INFORMATION ITEM:UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ON AND AROUND THE UA CAMPUS

Senator Cervelli, Dean of the College of Architecture, Planning and Landscape Architecture and Robert Smith, Vice President for Business Affairs presented a PowerPoint to update the Senate concerning the construction projects on and around the UA campus. Smith described how the committee is working in conjunction with CFO Milton Castillo. Smith outlined the three projects that are currently underway. The south stadium parking structure near 6th Street, financed with auxiliary funds is needed to alleviate the parking lost to the two new student dorms and the increased recreation center area. The renovations to the McKale center will be done in phases. The “Old Chemistry” building will have a five story addition on the back that will house new labs. When that is completed the front area will be remodeled to house research facilities. The north campus infrastructure dealing with sewers, chilled water and steam will be updated. Old Main and Bear Down Gym are moving forward with major renovations. Departments, including Admissions, previously housed in Old Main are now being housed in Bear Down Gym until major renovations are completed on Old Main. The Old Main renovations should be completed in about eighteen months and are being financed through gifts. Plans are also in place to build an addition on the back of Old Main that will have space for those housed temporarily in Bear Down Gym, plus large classrooms. Other projects include the resources building, the cancer center in Phoenix, the Tree Ring Building and the football stadium. The gift funded North End Zone area will house the football program, leaving more space for the other sports’ programs. The renovated area replaces the Tree Ring department, which will be housed in a building made to resemble a tree house near the 6th Street garage, made possible by a \$9M gift. The many sustainability features will make the Environment Resources Building look complex and expensive, but is not. UA building projects are not limited to just the UA campus. There are many areas being developed with the city and the county in southern Arizona that will benefit UA and the community. Smith feels that the Modern Street Car project will have a major positive impact on the area. He feels that with the use of the street car, there will be less car traffic, a decreased need for parking and a better environment to encourage young professionals to live downtown and stay in Tucson. Senator Cervelli updated Senate about the three private student dorms that are being built near Speedway and Euclid. The first fourteen story dorm is currently under construction. It was approved by the city without input from the UA or the Design Review Committee (DRC). The second dorm design was changed significantly after DRC input and the third dorm has had DRC input from the beginning. Issues concerning dorm resident parking, building height and open spaces were addressed before permits were issued. The third dorm’s appearance with larger areas of glass, make the building appear more transparent. There will be more roof top gardens and the outdoor pool area will be away from the historical neighbor nearby.

1) Where will all the cars from these students be parked? Dorm developers were told that students in the new buildings will be last to get parking permits in UA garages. The city may also build a new city parking structure. It was also suggested that developers could leased parking offsite for long term parking. 2) How will student behavioral problems be addressed? A 30 page handbook for appropriate student behaviors has been written. Developers are being required to promote and adhere to the guidelines before they will be issued a city construction permit. 3) What about the nearby Muslim center? It will remain where it is. 4) What about the impact on Art’s Patrons accessibility to UA programs? Private dorm students will have little or no access to UA parking garages. 5) What about the view of the mountains going away? The City has been through a learning experience and will do better with future planning. 6) It is hard to understand a need for all of this building. Who is driving who? Developers are bringing in workers from other parts of the country and not using local workers. How is this helping Tucson? There is a shortage of student housing. The UA cannot accommodate all the first year students that want to live on campus. Mini-dorms were the previous answer.

9. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEM: SCHOLARSHIP OF TEACHING AND ENGAGEMENT

Chair of the Faculty, Wanda Howell asked that in the interest of time remaining that Senate postpone the discussion about *Scholarship of Teaching and Engagement* to the March Senate meeting. She updated the Senate briefly that she and Tom Miller, Associate Provost of Faculty Affairs, are developing language for the “Scholarship of Engagement.” They plan on sending the new language out to faculty in each college for input and discussion. Changes to UHAP are also being reviewed. Senate will hear more in March.

10. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Non-senators were asked to leave so that the candidates for Honorary Degrees could be discussed and voted on.

11. **OLD BUSINESS**

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Secretary of the Faculty
Barb Kuehn, Recording Secretary

Appendix*

1. Undergraduate Council's Consent Agenda
2. Charge for the Committee on Race Equity
3. Bylaws for the Committee on Race Equity
4. Ballot Proposition for the Committee on Race Equity
5. Promoting an Inclusive View of Scholarship
6. Community-Engaged Scholarship for Health Collaborative
7. PowerPoint (Cervelli)

**Copies of material listed in the Appendix are attached to the original minutes and are on file in the Faculty Center.*

Motions of the Meeting of February 4, 2013

Motion 2012/13-13 Seconded motion from the Undergraduate Council to approve the proposal to implement a new degree program. *Educational Leadership and Policy, PhD* in the Department of Educational Policy Studies and Practice, College of Education. Motion carried.

Motion 2012/13-14 Seconded motion from the Undergraduate Council to approve the proposal to implement a new degree program. *eSociety, BA* in the School of Information Resources & Library Sciences, College of Social & Behavioral Sciences. Motion carried.

Motion 2012/13-15 Seconded motion from the Undergraduate Council to approve a name change of an existing degree program. *Regional Development BS to Urban and Regional Development BS* in the School of Geography & Development, College of Social & Behavioral Sciences. Motion carried.

Motion 2012/13-16 Seconded motion to change the name of the proposed Senate Standing Committee from *Committee on Race Equity* to *Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee*. Motion carried.

Motion 2012/13-17 Seconded motion to change the charge and proposition by putting a period after “bias” and then deleting “related to race and ethnicity” and inserting *Committee on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion* into all areas where *Committee on Race Equity* or its acronym was used. Motion passed.

Motion 2012/13-18 Seconded motion to send the *Faculty Senate Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Standing Committee* ballot proposition forward to the upcoming Spring 2013 General Faculty General Election. Motion carried.

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