

**WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
Regular Meeting 11 April 2017, 4:00 p.m.
Capitol Rooms - University Union**

ACTION MINUTES

SENATORS PRESENT: M. Allison, V. Boynton, J. Brown, G. Delany, Parmann, D. DeVolder, R. Hironimus, Wendt, K. Kapale, C. Keist, N. Lino, B. Locke, S. Macchi, H. McIlvaine, Newsad, J. McNabb, K. Pawelko, R. Porter (via teleconference), C. Pyre, Roberts

(Maggie Walsh) SGA Director of Academic Affairs

- SGA members attended Student Advocacy Day in Springfield
- SGA is hosting elections this week. Voting will be available on the Purple Post until 3 p.m. Friday, April 14. She asked senators to remind their students to vote.

C. Other Announcements

1. Chairperson Pynes announced that Senator Pawelko won the recent University Personnel Committee election to represent the College of Education and Human Services for a year term beginning in fall 2017. Sean Cordes, Malpass Library, was elected to fill the 2017 seat to represent University of Illinois, the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs, and the Counseling Center. No petitions were submitted from the College of Fine Arts and Communication. The Executive Committee has extended the deadline for that seat.

2. Chairperson Pynes encouraged senators to attend the times set aside for Faculty Senate to

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There were no further nominations, and Ms. Dechowski was declared elected.

Chairperson Pynes invited the new Executive Committee members to attend the last regularly scheduled Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 18 at 3:30 p.m. in Stipes Hall 501.

6. Election of Senate Nominating Committee Representatives

a) College of Arts and Sciences

Motion: To nominate

Senator Boynton asked if students will have access to university facilities if the exception is granted and they are allowed to stay in the dorms. He responded that the Faculty Athletics Representatives Council specifies operating procedures for all content whether for normal travel during the regular season or for tournaments, so that student athletes will have access to proctors and academic space for taking tests. He stated that Faculty Athletic Representatives at both South Dakota and North Dakota State

(1) Communication Sciences and Disorders

CHANGE OF MAJOR APPROVED

C. Senate Nominating Committee (SNC)
(Ginny Boynton, Chair)

1. Nominations for Fall 2017 Vacancies

SENATE COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES:

Council on Admission, Graduation and Academic Standards

Mark Bernards, Agriculture	replacing	Steve Rock	20	B&T
Chase Catalano, Educational Studies	replacing	Chase Catalano	20	E&HS
Kitty Karn, Music	replacing	Kitty Karn	20	FA&C

Council on Campus Planning and Usage

Duke Oursler, Art	replacing	John McMurtery	20	FA&C
Jongho Lee, Political Science	replacing	Dana Lindemann	20	At-large

Council on Curricular Programs and Instruction

Leaunda Hemphill, Engineering Technology	replacing	Anna Valeva	20	B&T
Emily Shupe, DFMH	replacing	Andrea Hyde	19	E&HS
Eun Go, Broadcasting/Journalism	replacing	Kat Myers	20	FA&C
Elgin Mannion, Sociology & Anthropology	replacing	Jessica Lin	20	At-large

Council on General Education

Keith Holz, Art	replacing	Keith Holz	20	Humanities
Kishor Kapale, Physics	replacing	P.K. Babu	20	Fine Arts
David Zanolla, Communication	replacing	David Zanolla	20	Math/Natural Sci
Mike Lukkarinen, RPTA	replacing	Darcy Plymire	20	Basic Skills
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				Human Well Being

Council for Instructional Technology

Jim Olsen, Mathematics	replacing	Fuyuan Liang	20	A&S
Justin Ehrlich, Computer Sciences	replacing	George Mangalaraj	20	B&T
Wanmo Koo, DFMH	replacing	Abha Singh	20	E&HS
Ian Shelly, Art	replacing	Chris Carpenter	20	FA&C
Sean Cordes, Library	replacing	Charles Malone	20	Library

Council on Intercollegiate Athletics

Renee Polubinsky, Kinesiology	replacing	Tammy Bories	20	E&HS
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Council for International Education

Fuyuan Liang, Geography	replacing	Christie Davis	20	A&S
Mandeep Singh, Management & Marketing	replacing	Chandra Amaravadi	20	A&S

<u>Parking Appeals Committee</u>					
Cecil Tarrant, Management & Marketing	replacing	Chris Adams	20	Alternate	
<u>Provost's Advisory Council</u>					
Jeff Brown, Music	replacing	Sandra Watkins	19	At-large	
<u>Radiation Safety Committee</u>					
Esteban Araya, Physics	replacing	Don Powers	20	At-large	
<u>Student Laureate Selection Committee</u>					
Mojtaba Moniri, Mathematics	replacing	Saisudha Mallur	20	A&S	
Gary Daytner, Educational Studies	replacing	Katherine Perone	20	E&HS	
<u>Talent Grants and Tuition Waivers (Council on) Quad Cities</u>					
Richard Hughey, Music	replacing	Amy Ekanayake	20	At-large	
<u>Talent Grants and Tuition Waivers (Council on) Quad Cities</u>					
Tammy Werner, Sociology & Anthropology	replacing	Tammy Werner	20	WIUQC	
<u>Technology Security Committee</u>					
Seongchan Kim, Engineering Technology	replacing	Yeongkwun Kim	19	B&T	
Terry Solomonson, Music	replacing	Rick Kurasz	19	FA&C	
<u>Traffic and Parking Committee</u>					
Susan Meiers, Biology	replacing	Rafael Obregon	20	At-large	
<u>University Benefits Committee</u>					
Daniel Atherton, Agriculture	replacing	Bharathi Madegowda			

thought they had submitted something but did not. Senator Boynton added that no one from the Quad Cities responded with interest in serving on any committee or council.

responses were in the middle or higher than last year s but lower than 2014, so per that statement needs to be adjusted. SenaBarrDelany will change that statement to indicate that quantitative responses rose slightly from the previous year while qualitative comments were both positive and negative, with some being mixed.

Chairperson Pynes told senators that President Thomas emailed SBarrDelany and himself to say that has no objections to the report. Senators also have no objections, the summary will go on to the BOT to be used during their evaluation of the President.

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MOTION APPROVED 22 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB

Chairperson Pynes stated that an election will be held in fall to populate the committee.

C. Proposed Constitutional Amendment – Electorate (Article II)

Chairperson Pynes explained that several senators have asked about membership, service, and eligibility on the Senate. He related that he had several conversations and considered different ways to structure the changes but decided that the current proposal represents the cleanest way to determine the faculty electorate, the group of faculty that elect people to the Faculty Senate. He added that amendments were read at the first Senate meeting and come back for a vote at the second meeting. The vote will determine whether senators will vote on the amendments.

stated that he was not elected as a faculty member and then moved into the director's position. He was already serving as director when elected by the faculty of the College of Business and Technology to represent them.

Parliamentarian Deitz reminded senators that faculty have asked the Executive Committee questions regarding the eligibility of service on Faculty Senate, and while this may be a serious topic, the question is whether this proposal should go to the broader group of faculty to decide who they want to decide for themselves who should serve on the Senate.

Dr. Rock stated that he has been a faculty member for 27 years and has served on the Faculty Senate for 12, and there have never been more than a couple of chairs on the Senate at any time during those years. He stated that sometimes department chairs have chaired the Faculty Senate and he has had nothing but appreciation for what they have brought to the table. He believes chairs are able to bring a viewpoint and information that most faculty simply do not have, and he believes it is important that they still have access to this body. He noted that chairs will never make up a majority of the Faculty Senate and believes that it is up to the electorate to decide who best represents their interests for both large and college appointments.

Chairperson Pynes noted that there are many uncontested elections; the current body is too big and would be interested to see how often elections are uncontested. He noted that in the most recent election the deadline had to be extended for three colleges. Chairperson Pynes stated that no one is impugning the integrity of a particular chair, whether Loren Erdmann when he served during one of Chairperson Pynes's terms or Senators DeVolder or Boynton. He stressed the issue stems from the fact that more than five faculty members have asked whether it is possible for chairs to serve on Faculty Senate. He stated that the purpose of the Senate is to give faculty voice expressed to the administration, and it cannot be denied that chairs have a different point of view than faculty. He said that Dr. Rock supports Senator McNabb's statement that she has a different world view as interim chair and will give up her position if she becomes department chair.

Chairperson Pynes believes that senators and faculty colleagues should not be held off from the kind of service that they should be doing. He thinks if the same people continue to do all the work, it is letting other faculty off the hook. He thinks faculty should be responsible for governance and not infused in the process. He added that some individuals think the same people are going to

