

**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING minutes
January 12, 2010
3:00-5:00pm 107 Lab of Mechanics**

Present: Torrie. M; van der Valk, A; Ford, C; Freemasn. S; Martin. M;Hendrich, S; Selby. M; Loy. D; Palermo, G; Anderson, P; Porter, M; Walter, S; Osweiler, G; VanDerZanden, AM; Wallace, R; Owen. M; Carlson, S; Holger, D; Hoffman, E; Tanaka, P; Porter, S.

I Call to order 3:00pm

II Consent agenda

A Agenda, Executive Board meeting, January 12, 2010

B Minutes, Executive Board meeting, December 17, 2009

Minutes approved with revisions. Secretary to revise previously submitted minutes. Freeman moved and Anderson seconded a motion to accept consent agenda; motion carried.

III Announcements and Remarks

A President

Van der Valk noted he would be gone two weeks in February. Introduced Steve Porter from the Governance Council. Noted that the agenda for the next Senate meeting was quite crowded, and wondered whether it should be simplified in the interest of time saving.

B President-elect

Owen noted that planning still underway for the spring conference; date set is April 30. The provost of the University of Minnesota has been confirmed as a speaker.

C Provost

Hoffman expressed thanks for all the work done over the break on the Handbook.

D Council and Caucus Chairs

No comments offered.

IV Old Business

A Merger of majors to form Supply Chain Management [S09-8] —Hendrich

Not addressed at this time.

**B Proposed changes to FH Section 3.4 Nonrenewal or Termination of Appointment—
Governance Council (Porter)**

M. Porter noted that the new version addressed concerns raised at the prior EB meeting. Subcommittee met several times over the break. Same subcommittee will work on the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding). S. Porter noted that termination of tenured faculty is the main issue for discussion in the subcommittee. Reviewed the three reasons for termination in proposed handbook language: for cause, for discontinuation of programs, and “financial exigency”. This term not defined; the U of I’s definition for “financial exigency” was not acceptable to all, so not adopted in proposal. Other issues the subcommittee has dealt with include definition of a “good faith effort” made on behalf of faculty whose appointments are terminated.

Selby asked who would determine the presence of a “financial exigency”, however it’s defined. Hoffman noted the confusion over the distinctions between “extraordinary financial crisis” and

“financial exigency”. S. Porter noted that it would probably be Regents who would make determination about presence of exigency. Van der Valk proposed that the definition of the term could wait until later. Freeman noted that what has been referred to as the “Faculty Senate Appeals Committee” should properly be called the “Faculty Senate Committee on Appeals”.

Palermo asked whether a 1-year appointment is a “term appointment”, and if so do such appointments require a 6-month notice for termination? Holger pointed out that exceptions to the 6-month notice requirement are noted. Holger also noted that our documents should reflect the Regents’ process for termination of a program, since that’s the process we operate by.

Motion made by Palermo to remove parenthetical phrase from proposed Section 3.4.2.2.2. Hendrich seconded; motion carried 8 yeas 2 nays.

Motion made by Selby to append the following phrase to the first sentence of proposed Section 3.4.2.2.2: **“according to the Board of Regents program discontinuation procedures”**. Palermo seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Owen to send the proposed Handbook revisions to the Senate for consideration. Wallace seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Van der Valk asked whether the issue should be “fast-tracked” in the interest of time, or follow the usual procedure of presentation at one Senate meeting and then voted upon at a subsequent meeting. Hoffman noted that however the process worked, there needed to be time allowed for discussion by faculty prior to voting, especially since little time for questions or discussion had been afforded at recent Senate meetings. Ford suggested that fast-tracking would be unadvisable, since Senators needed to be able to take the issue back to their respective units for discussion. This notion met with general assent.

C Proposed changes to FH Section 8.4.8 Open Meetings at ISU—Governance Council (Porter)

Motion made by Freeman to approve edited version. Selby seconded; motion carried unanimously.

D Motion 1—Change to FH Section 3.3.3.1 Appointment Policies for NTE Research Appointments—Governance Council (Porter)

In the interest of time, van der Valk suggested postponing discussion of this matter to the following EB meeting to be held 2/2/10. So moved by Torrie. Owen seconded; motion carried unanimously.

V New Business

A Minor in Critical Studies in Design (Hendrich)

B ME in Information Assurance (Hendrich)

C ME in Civil, Construction, and Environmental Engineering (Hendrich)

D Event Management BS in Apparel, Educational Studies, and Hospitality Management (Hendrich)

E ME in Material Science (Hendrich)

F Discontinue MS in Business (Hendrich)

Van der Valk asked whether we could simply approve all items A-F for Senate meeting agenda. So moved by Selby. Freeman seconded; motion carried unanimously. Some question raised about precise titles for some degrees; Hendrich will verify prior to Senate meeting.

VI Good of the Order

Walter suggested printing out section 3.4.2.2.2 for use during Senate discussion.

VII Adjourn

Wallace moved to adjourn at 4:50pm. Anderson seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Next EB meeting: February 2, 2010, 3:00-5:00pm, 107 Lab of Mechanics

Minutes assiduously recorded and painstakingly typed by Michael David Martin, duly elected recording Secretary for the Iowa State University Faculty Senate, respectfully submitted this twenty-eighth day of January, Two Thousand Ten *anno domini*.