

**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING Minutes
March 30, 2010
3:00-5:00 p.m.
107 Lab of Mechanics**

Attendance: Torrie, M; van der Valk, A; Ford, C; Freeman, S; Martin, M; Hendrich, S; Selby, M; Loy, D; Palermo, G; Anderson, P; Porter, M; Walter, S; VanDerZanden, AM; Wallace, R; Owen, M; Carlson, S; Holger, D; Hoffman, E; Meernik, J., Osweiler, G; Geirsson, H; Power, M.

I Call to Order – 3:03 p.m.

II Consent Agenda

A Agenda, Executive Board Meeting, March 30, 2010

B Minutes, Executive Board Meeting, March 2, 2010

Freeman moved to approve; Owen seconded. Motion carried.

III Announcements and Remarks

A President

Noted that a full agenda awaits.

a FAR Candidate Interviews

Invited EB members to participate in FAR candidate interviews. Noted times and dates for same, and named candidates.

b Proposed Reorganization of Departments in FS and CALS

Proposed to establish a monitoring committee, as stipulated under Section 2.7 of the Handbook, for the Sociology Dept. reorganization. VanDerZanden made a motion to that effect, Freeman seconded, motion carried.

c Council Chair Elections

Chair positions seem covered for nominees. No nominees have emerged as yet for Recording Secretary, apparently because the current Secretary would be such a tough act to follow. Asked that EB members attempt to recruit someone.

d EB Retreat with President and Provost

Will send EB a memo about possible dates this early summer.

e EB Photograph

Scheduled for 3:15 on April 6, before the Senate meeting.

B President-Elect

Proposed schedule for the Spring conference event has been distributed. Room is available for 11am-1pm on April 30.

C Provost

No comments at this point.

D Council/Caucus Chairs

No comments offered.

IV Old Business

A Proposed replacement for FH Section 3.4 Nonrenewal or Termination of Appointment – Governance Council (Porter)

Noted that Section 3.4 replacement had occurred.

B Engineering Sales Minor – Hendrich

Hendrich introduced the proposed minor and its rationale. Selby noted that in the clarifications provided, the slightly sticky issues of 1. whether this was a case of “poaching” (Engineering teaching Business courses), and 2. whether there is too much dependence for instruction within the minor on one particular NTER faculty member are issues that are not addressed, but could easily be addressed.

V New Business

Van der Valk proposed changes in the agenda: to address the new degrees in Architecture and Landscape Architecture first, and to eliminate item G. Owen made a motion to that effect, Anderson seconded, motion carried.

D MS in Architecture – (Hendrich)

E MS in Landscape Architecture – (Hendrich)

F MLA in Landscape Architecture – (Hendrich)

Hendrich introduced the three proposed degrees from Design. Owen made a motion to approve, Anderson seconded, motion carried.

A Proposed amendments to Section 3.4 – Porter

Van der Valk noted that the ten amendments offered in writing, in advance of the upcoming Senate meeting at which they will be formally introduced, had been re-worked (to varying degrees) to make them consistent with established Handbook language and terms. Noted that “2.0” is the current version. Noted that five of them are coming from AAUP, and have been submitted in order to make the Handbook consistent with AAUP guidelines. The other five deal in varying ways with protection of faculty positions. Numbers 6, 8 and 9 are characterized as “unfriendly” from van der Valk’s initial review; all others seem “friendly”.

The first amendment deals with the distinction between tenure-track (TT) and non-tenure-eligible NTE faculty positions; proposes that they should be treated differently because of the implied commitment for permanence in a TT position following the probationary period. The AAUP stipulates that the two cannot be treated the same for this reason, even though the current Handbook Section 3.4.1.2 does treat them the same. Selby countered that on the other hand, TT cannot be treated exactly as tenured positions are treated. Much discussion ensued about whether this amendment would be a do-able edit for the proposed Section 3.4; Carlson warned that this is a change with far-reaching implications, and would probably entail a massive re-writing of many parts of the Handbook.

Noted that if each amendment is dealt with separately at the Senate meeting, discussions could go on for a very long time. Agreeing to some amendments as “friendly” and simply incorporating them into the proposed 3.4 language can streamline the process. Porter suggested that each amendment-maker be given 2 minutes to make his/her case in a statement. Noted that discussion following statements could go on and on even if statements are time-limited or otherwise curtailed.

Ford made a motion to include as “friendly” the portion of amendment 7 that deals with the basis for an appeal (the sentence that begins “Whether the criteria...”), but to consider the remainder of amendment 7 as unfriendly. Wallace seconded; motion carried.

Freeman made a motion to consider amendment 1 as friendly. VanDerZanden seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Owen made a motion to consider amendment 2 as unfriendly. Freeman seconded; motion carried with no nay votes, but with one abstention.

Palermo made a motion to consider amendment 1 as neutral (neither friendly nor unfriendly; no comment or characterization by the EB). Selby seconded; motion carried unanimously.

At this point (4:30) time ran out, because of the scheduled executive session and its attendant guests waiting in the wings. The remaining amendments will be introduced as submitted.

B Procedures for Obtaining Approval to Discontinue an Existing Program – Hendrich

Not addressed at this point for lack of time, but taken up after the Executive Session.

C Review of the NTE Teaching Limits – VanderZanden

(not addressed)

G Minor in Biorenewable Chemicals – (Hendrich)

(Removed)

VII Executive Session

A Regent Faculty Excellence Awards

Geirsson introduced nominations for Regent’s faculty excellence awards. Walter made a motion to accept the top five as Geirsson’s committee recommends. Owen seconded; motion carried. Power (representative for the UPRC) introduced nominees recommended for University Professor. Noted that top two were ranked above all others, and that numbers three and four were essentially tied for third. Owen moved to accept all four as recommended. Walter seconded; motion carried.

VI Approval of Senate Agenda for April 6, 2010

Procedures for Obtaining Approval to Discontinue an Existing Program (Section 10.8) were briefly discussed. Freeman noted regarding Section 10.8 revisions: name changes/mergers/etc. do not belong in this section, because they are administrative rather than academic concerns. Van der Valk indicated that a revised version of Section 10.8 would be developed and that this material could be moved to Section 2.7. Owen made a motion to accept the agenda with item E removed (Biorenewable Chemicals minor). Wallace seconded; motion carried.

VIII Good of the Order

IX Adjourn

NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2010

Minutes assiduously recorded, painstakingly typed and respectfully submitted by Michael David Martin, duly elected Recording Secretary of the Iowa State University Faculty Senate, upon this thirteenth day of April in the year MMX *Anno Domini*.