
Excused: Allen, Elder, Owens, Paterson, Roland, Stroope, Thorp

Absent: Barnes, Fruhling, Kosloski, Merkel

Before the meeting began University of Nebraska President Milliken gave a presentation on university-wide strategic planning.

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:45 p.m.

II. The April 23, 2005 minutes were approved as written.

III Officers’ Reports

A. President’s Report: Senator Bacon reported:

1. The Board of Regents met on Friday, April 15 in Varner Hall in Lincoln. The morning and early afternoon were given over to committee reports with the Board meeting in the afternoon. The meeting time was revised in order to accommodate the UNO Women’s Walk which occurred on Saturday. The working session of the Board was framed within President Milliken’s concern that strategic planning take place at the systems and campus levels. The Audit Committee meeting heard from the system’s external auditor, Deloitte & Touche. Vice President Dave Lechner then reported on the reporting changes required by the Sarbanes-Oxley reform. Vice President and Provost Jay Noreen then presented a report on graduation monitoring and assurance. At UNO only a handful of students have not graduated because they could not get the classes they needed. UNO students do not graduate in under six years for a series of reasons, many of them related to the nature of the student body. Vice President Noreen gave to the Business Committee reports on the 2005-2007 state budget which still appears to be quite favorable to the University. He then turned to tuition policy, mentioning the possibilities contained in the last President’s Report. This year the system had a tuition shortfall of $6,956,321 of which UNO was responsible for $307,945 and UN-L was responsible for $6,838,406. Needless to say, UN-L is opposed to the decentralization of tuition monies retention.

During the regular meeting of the Board, in the public comment period, the Center for Afghanistan Studies issue was brought before the Board by Nebraskans for
Peace. During the Business Affairs Consent Agenda discussion, UNO’s need for more housing was well defended by Chancellor Belck. A revised budget for the renovation and expansion of the Engineering Building for use by CPACS was also approved with Regent Miller in opposition.

2. **Other Items:** The President has been in close contact with the parties involved in the Center for Afghanistan Studies controversy as well as the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor. The Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs, chaired by Senator Akers, has taken the issue under advisement within the framework of a written charge.

3. Chancellor’s Written Response to Resolutions: On April 28, 2005, Nancy Castilow, Assistant to the Chancellor, e-mailed the following: The Chancellor acknowledges Resolutions 2765, 2766, 2767 and 2768 for the purposes of information.

B. The April Budget report was presented.

**IV Executive Committee:** Senator D’Souza reported:

A. On behalf of the Executive Committee Senator D’Souza moved the following resolution, which passed:

**Resolution 2769, 5/11/05:** Nominees for the Search Committee for Dean of the College of Communication, Fine Arts, and Media:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following four names will be forwarded to V.C. Smith-Howell as nominees from the Faculty Senate for the Search Committee for Dean of the College of Communication, Fine Arts, and Media. Two will be chosen to serve on the search committee:

- Mike Carroll (CPACS)
- Bob Darcy (A&S)
- Josie Metal-Corbin (ED)
- Graham Mitenko (CBA)

B. At its May 4, 2005, meeting President Bacon indicated that the Chancellor had been informed in February that the colleges had reported election of the following sixteen (16) faculty to the Faculty Senate, each for three-year terms from May 11, 2005, through May 8, 2008, unless noted (*):

- Elaine Lahue
- Holly Miller
- Hugh Reilly
- Andrzej Roslanowski
- Mark Scherer* (05-06)
- Lauree Tilton-Weaver* (05-07)
C. At this point President Bacon relinquished the chair to Vice-President D’Souza. On behalf of the Executive Committee Senator Bacon moved the following six resolutions, all of which passed.


BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the university of Nebraska at Omaha extends to the following sixteen (16) outgoing senators its deepest appreciation for service on the Faculty Senate:

| College of Business Administration | Robert Ottemann |
| College of Education | Paul Barnes, Nancy Edick |
| College of Fine Arts | Doug Paterson, Tomm Roland* (05-07) |
| College of Information Science & Technology | Victor Winter |
| Library | - - - - - - |
| College of Public Affairs & Community Service | Barbara Hewins-Maroney, Scott Tarry |
| External Faculty | John Thorp |

2. Resolution 2771, 5/11/2005: Appreciation for Service (Faculty Senate Liaisons):

WHEREAS, the proper functioning of the Senate is highly dependent on good information about the activities of other faculty, student, and alumni bodies across campus,

WHEREAS, the Senate was given regular reports on the activities of AFCON, the Academic Planning Council, the Alumni Association, the UNO Chapter of the AAUP, the Graduate Council, UNO Spirit Committee, Strategic Planning Steering
Committee, and the University Committee for Professional Development,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the UNO Senate commends and thanks the following senators and/or faculty colleagues for acting as liaisons to these various groups: Doug Paterson, Hollis Glauser, Jonathan Benjamin-Alvarado, Ann Fruhling, Henry D’Souza, Stuart Bernstein, Chris Allen, and Randall Adkins.


WHEREAS, the smooth and productive functioning of the Faculty Senate is dependent upon effective leadership of the standing committees,

WHEREAS, by their service in meetings of the Executive Committee and Cabinet, committee chairpersons assist the Executive Committee in responding to the needs of the faculty and charting a course for the Senate,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha expresses its sincere appreciation to members of the Senate Cabinet for their dedication, hard work, and leadership during this academic year 2004-2005.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Jim Akers, Marsha Watson, Andris Skreija, Chris Allen, Randy Adkins, and Maria Arbelaez, be further recognized for their outstanding additional service as members of the Executive Committee.


WHEREAS, he assumed the duties of Faculty Senate Vice President in May 2004,

WHEREAS, he was often the conscience of the senate,

WHEREAS, he presided over meetings of the Executive Committee and Cabinet with good humor, efficiency, and fairness,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha expresses its sincere appreciation to Henry D’Souza for his work as Vice President during this academic year 2004-2005.

5. Resolution 2774, 5/11/2005: Appreciation for Service (Secretary-Treasurer Chris Allen):

WHEREAS, he assumed the duties of Faculty Senate Secretary-Treasurer in May 2004,

WHEREAS, he kept track of the Senate Budget and dutifully reported our status from month to month, and

WHEREAS, he has regularly coordinated with the Senate Office Administrator on
the production of Senate agendas and minutes, and
WHEREAS, he brought a fresh and insightful perspectives to difficult matters,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha expresses its sincere appreciation to Chris Allen for his work as Secretary-Treasurer in this academic year 2004-2005.


WHEREAS, Jim Carroll has served as parliamentarian for the Faculty Senate for the 2004-2005 academic year, and

WHEREAS, his knowledge of procedure has saved the Senate both time and effort,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate thanks Professor Carroll and appreciates his willingness to serve his colleagues.

D. At this point President Bacon returned to the chair. Senator D’Souza then presented the following motion, which passed.

Resolution 2776, 5/11/2005: Thanks to President Bacon

WHEREAS, Dr. Wally Bacon has presided over the UNO Faculty Senate with composure and self-confidence, with wit and brevity, during his presidency for the past one year,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bacon has been able to handle trepidations that come up from time to time in a balanced and mature manner,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bacon has represented the faculty and academic interests to the University of Nebraska Board of Regents and to the public with integrity, courage, and acumen,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha thanks Dr. Bacon for his service and wish him all the best for his continued service to the Faculty Senate and all the courage and strength in his future endeavors.

V Standing Committee Reports

A Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs: Senator Akers reported the committee met on April 27th and discussed the “Walker Report” on CAS. Members present: Jim Akers, Deb Anderson, Griff Elder, Hollis Glaser, and Joan Latchaw. Guests: Tom Gouttierre and John Shroder. After much discussion it was felt that the following steps would be taken by next year’s committee to resolve this matter by December 2005:

1. Review the past two academic reviews that were done on this department.
2. Were issues raised that were not addressed?
3. Make recommendations for further study if the needs identified have not been addressed.
4. How are “centers” reviewed?

B. Committee on Educational Resources and Services: Senator Watson reported that the ER&S subcommittee met on 27 April. Senators Wolcott, Shaw, Pasco, Ortman, and Watson were in attendance. The meeting’s agenda included selection of the Paul Beck Scholarship Awardees, an update of award amounts, and clarification of the application process. No applications were received for the Part-Time Undergraduate scholarship award, so by unanimous agreement, the Subcommittee recommends that the scholarship dollars set aside for the Part-Time Undergraduate award be redistributed in equal amounts to the remaining three scholarships; this redistribution will result in a $133 increase of the Full-Time Graduate, Full Time Undergraduate, and Part-Time Graduate award amounts. The committee also unanimously agreed to clarify the application process as follows: Students may submit only one application per year, and in only one category (i.e., Full-Time Graduate, Full Time Undergraduate, Part-Time Graduate, or Part-Time Undergraduate). Students must submit in the category which describes their status at the time of application. Recipients and alternates of the Paul Beck Scholarships were selected. Recipients are:

   - Full-Time Graduate: Patrick J. Hudson ($800 + $133 = $933.00)
   - Part-Time Graduate: Elizabeth D. Mack ($450 + $133 = $583.00)
   - Full-Time Undergraduate: Kim J. Gallion-Exum ($800 + $133 = $933.00)

C. Committee on Professional Development: Senator Adkins reported the committee met on Wednesday, April 27, 2005. Present were Senators Adkins (Chair), Bramlett, Corcoran, Kosloski, and Paterson. Jeanette Seaberry, Chair of the University Committee on Research, reported on the activities of her committee. She also noted the importance of the New Faculty Breakfast and the New Faculty Workshop. There was general agreement among the members of the Professional Development Committee on the importance of preparing for the fall orientation of new faculty. Dr. Seaberry pointed out that the Center for Faculty Development has a very excellent library that is not readily available to faculty. It needs new permanent housing, which is not possible in the current space dedicated to the Center. And, most importantly, there needs to be permanent funding for UCR. It is presently doubtful whether any funding for UCR will be available for 2006. Carol Mitchell, Chair of the University Committee on the Advancement of Teaching reported that UCAT had a total budget of only $20,000 for 2005. There is no guarantee of future funding for UCAT activities. UCAT is trying to maximize the impact of its recent awards by encouraging awardees to participate in brown-bag seminars and share their experiences with other faculty. Dr. Mitchell was asked to report back to this Committee and provide the total number of applications received in 2005, along with the total dollar amount requested in these proposals in order to gain a better understanding of the adequacy of the 2005 UCAT budget and to anticipate future budget needs. Professional Development Committee also discussed the issue of a faculty mentoring. The committee continues to investigate the issue of professional development for faculty who teach on campuses other than where they hold their primary appointment. The committee continues to work on a resolution addressing the disparities between colleges in faculty travel.
D. Committee on Rules: Senator Arbelaez moved the following resolutions on behalf of the committee. All passed:


   a. University Committee on Honors and Awards

      BE IT RESOLVED, that the following name go forward as a three year appointment from 08/01/05, through 07/31/08, to the University Committee on Honors and Awards:

      Jim Akers, (to replace Jeanette Seaberry).

   b. University Committee on Technology Resources & Services

      BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward as three-year appointments from 08/01/05 through 07/31/08, to the University Committee on Technology Resources & Services:

      James Akers, (reappoint)
      Tracy Bridgeford, (reappoint)
      Victor Winter, (to replace Dennis Roncek)
      ----------------, (to replace Leah Pietron).

2. Resolution 2778, 5/11/2005: Campus Committees

   c. Campus Committee on Safety:

      BE IT RESOLVED, that the following name go forward as a three-year appointment from 08/01/05, through 07/31/08, to the Campus Committee on Safety:

      Bob Nash, (to replace Rachel Jones).

   d. Chancellor's Commission on Multicultural Affairs:

      BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward as two-year appointments from 08/01/05, through 07/31/07, to the Chancellor's Commission on Multicultural Affairs:

      Lauree Tilton Weaver, A&S (to replace Jessiline Anderson)
      ----------------, BA (to replace Ho Young Lee)
      Henry D’Souza, PACS, (to replace Amanda Randall).

   e. Educational Policy Advisory Committee (EPAC)

      BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward as three-year appointments, from 08/01/2005 through 07/31/2008, to the Educational Policy
Advisory Committee to replace:


f. Named Professorship Review Committee

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following two faculty serve on the Named Professorship Review Committee (Kiewit, Kayser, & Isaacson Professorships) for Spring 2006. (The Administration will select one additional member of this committee.)

Bruce Garver (to replace Julie Harrington)
---------------------------- (to replace Leah Pietron).

3 Resolution 2779, 5/11/2005: Other Committees

a Academic Freedom Coalition of Nebraska (AFCON)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the senate president reappoints the following senator to be the senate representative for a one year appointment, through May 2006, to the Academic Freedom Coalition of Nebraska (AFCON):

Doug Paterson.

b. Faculty Senate Budget Advisory Committee

BE IT RESOLVED, the Faculty Senate President, Hollis Glaser, has named Randy Adkins to be reappointed
to the Faculty Senate Budget Advisory Committee for a term of three years, August 1, 2005 to July 31, 2008. Continuing members of the committee are

Donald Baum (08/01/2004 - 7/31/2007)
John Bartle, Chair (05/14/03 - 07/31/06).

VI Non-Senate Committee Reports

A. UNO Spirit Committee: Senator Bernstein reported that it was an excellent year. The final drawing, held in May, included entries of all who attended any Spirit Event in 2004-2005. Prizes awarded were $500, $250, $100, and two $50. The committee decided to continue next year.

VII Old Business:

A. Senator Corcoran moved and Senator Benjamin-Alvarado seconded the following resolution, which was passed by the Senate:
Resolution 2780, 5/11/2005: Change “Dead Week” to “Prep Week”

BE IT RESOLVED that the week before finals, now called “Dead Week,” be changed to “Prep Week,” while keeping the emphasis on major tests being
VIII New Business began at 3:10 pm with the transfer of Presidency from outgoing President Bacon to incoming President Glaser.

A. On behalf of the Committee on Rules Senator Arbelaez moved the following two resolutions, which passed:


   BE IT RESOLVED, that the following senators be appointed to the 2005-2006 Faculty Senate standing committees as designated:

   Committee on Academic & Curricular Affairs (6)
   1. Debra Anderson
   2. Randall Adkins
   3. Nancy Edick
   4. Mark Scherer
   5. Scott Tarry
   6. Peter Wolcott

   Committee on Educational Resources & Services (6)
   1. Richard Ortman
   2. Becky Pasco
   3. James Shaw
   4. Tomm Roland
   5. Marsha Watson
   6. Paul Williams

   Committee on Faculty Personnel & Welfare (6)
   1. Stuart Bernstein
   2. Barbara Hewins-Maroney
   3. Elaine Lahue
   4. Graham Mitenko
   5. Andris Skreija
   6. Lauree Tilton-Weaver
Committee on Goals & Directions (6)
1. Wally Bacon
2. Hugh Reilly
3. Andrzei Roslanowski
4. Paul Sather
5. Z. Randall Stroope
6. Saundra Wetig

Professional Development (6)
1. Bill Corcoran
2. Griff Elder
3. Pamela Jean Owens
4. Doug Paterson
5. John Thorp
6. Victor Winter

Rules (6)
1. Maria Arbelaez
2. Robert Ottemann
3. Paul Barnes
4. Holly Miller
5. Raj Dasgupta
6. Amanda Randall

2. Resolution 2782, 5/11/2005: Standing Committee Chairs:

BE IT RESOLVED, that according to the Bylaws of the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska, Article VI, Section 1, the retiring standing committees have met and selected the following chairs from their continuing members:

Debra Anderson, Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs
Marsha Watson, Committee on Educational Resources and Services
Andris Skreija, Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare
W.M. Bacon, Committee on Goals and Directions
Bill Corcoran, Committee on Professional Development

IX. The 2004-2005 Senate, having concluded its business, adjourned at 3:20 p.m.
May 11, 2005


Excused: Elder, Owens, Paterson, Roland, Stroope, Thorp

Absent: Barnes

I. Organizational Meeting of the 2005-2006 Faculty Senate began at 3:20 p.m.:

A. The following resolutions were moved and passed by the Senate:


   BE IT RESOLVED, that according to the Constitution of the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska, Article IV, the senate president appoints James Carroll the parliamentarian of the 2005-2006 Faculty Senate.

2. Resolution 2784, 5/11/2005: Vice President of the 2005-2006 Senate

   BE IT RESOLVED, that according to the Constitution of the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska, Article IV, the Faculty Senate elects the following senator as 2005-2006 Vice President:

   Randy Adkins, to replace Senator D’Souza.


   BE IT RESOLVED, that according to the Constitution of the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska, Article IV, the Faculty Senate elects the following senator as 2005-2006 Secretary/Treasurer:

   Jim Shaw, to replace Senator Allen.


   BE IT RESOLVED that according to the Bylaws of the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska, Article VI, Section 5.6, the senate president appoints the following senator 2005-2006 Chair of the Committee for Rules:
Amanda Randall.

5. Resolution 2787, 5/11/2005: Standing Committee Vice Chairs

BE IT RESOLVED, the 2005-2006 standing committee members have met and selected the following vice chairs:

Scott Tarry, Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs
Becky Pasco, Committee on Educational Resources and Services
Graham Mitenko, Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare
Saundra Wettig, Committee on Goals and Directions
Victor Winter, Committee on Professional Development
Maria Arbelaez, Committee on Rules

B. On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Randall moved the following resolutions, which passed:


BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward as the Faculty Senate's representatives to the Academic Planning Council from the Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs and the committee on Goals and Directions each for a one-year term from 05/04/05, through 05/10/06:

Nancy Edick, Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs
(to replace Senator Glaser)
Hugh Reilly, Committee on Goals and Directions
(to replace Senator Benjamin-Alvarado).

2. Resolution 2789, 5/11/2005: Alumni Association Board of Directors:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the senate president appoints the following UNO alum as the senate representative for one year, 05/04/05, through 05/10/06, to the Alumni Association, Board of Directors:

Amanda Randall, (to replace Ann Fruhling).

C. Senator Glaser announced the 2005-2006 Calendar of Senate and Standing Committee meetings:

1. Executive Committee & Cabinet Meet: First Wednesday Every Month:
   a. Officers and Standing Committee chairs
   b. Year round (June through May)
   c. 2:00 p.m.
   d. ASH 196

2. Full Senate Meetings: Second Wednesday Every Month
   a. All senators
   b. August through May (no meeting in June & July; see special instructions below
3. Executive Committee & Administration: Third Wednesday of Every Month  
   a. Officers and Chair of the Committee on Rules only  
   b. Year round (June through May)  
   c. 2:00 p.m.  
   d. EAB 201  
   e. Agenda made by Senate President, typed by Faculty Senator Coordinator

4. Standing Committee Meetings: Last Wednesday of Every Month  
   a. All Senators excluding President  
   b. August through April (no meeting in May, June, & July)  
   c. 2:00 p.m.  
   d. Room arrangements (and agenda) are made by each Chair  

D. Faculty Senate Retreat:  
   1. Wednesday, August 17, 2005  
   2. Day long meeting  
   3. Mahoney State Park  
   4. Attended by all Senators

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II. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.