Wednesday, August 14, 2013, 2 p.m.,

Members: Adcock, M. Bacon, Casas, Holley, Harder & Mahoney (Rules V.C & Chr.), Petrow, P. Smith, R. Smith, Wileman

Excused: Surface

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m.

II. The Minutes of the July 3, 2013, meeting were corrected, then approved, by adding Senator Wileman’s name to those excused.

III. Officers’ Reports

A. President’s Report: Senator M. Bacon reported

1. The Senate President’s Meeting with Chancellor was held July 15, 2013. The entire fairly short meeting was devoted to the Peter Kiewit Institute situation. Chancellors Perlman and Christensen will present their report at the September Regents meeting. However, I was given to understand that UNO’s suggestions are not received as compatible with UN-L’s Engineering ambitions. Chancellor Christensen is working closely with the metropolitan area’s business and engineering community to best serve the interests of students enrolled in UNO-based engineering classes.

2. The Executive Committee & Administration was held July 17, 2013.
   a. Faculty Senate Topics:
      - PKI Issue: Chancellor Christensen noted that PKI is an Engineering issue and Engineering is not a UNO Program. He and JB Milliken and Harvey Perlman had been asked to develop a plan to resolve the issue by September. A recommendation being considered is to re-institute an Advisory Committee for that program that would be co-chaired by UNL and UNO. Chancellor Christenson further is conferring with salient community organizations, knowledgeable university regents, parents and students, as well as gathering statistics to develop the “metric piece” of this conversation. He will update us in his remarks at the Faculty Senate retreat.
      - Increased Latino/Latina Enrollment: VC Reed and his administration team share our concern about ability to meet the increased need for “seats” and to maintain quality instruction, which includes meeting the special needs of first generation Latino/a students. Deans and directors have been asked to monitor enrollments closely and, when sections have to be added for which faculty are not available, administration will help meet costs of hiring part time faculty. Support services such as the Writing Center also are being monitored and strengthened, and bilingual advising staff are
being added whenever feasible.

b. Chancellor’s Topics:
   • The Chancellor and Vice Chancellor appreciatively noted year-to-date
     increases in enrollments and student credit hours. Graduate enrollments
     have experienced the largest percentage increase.
   • Proposals under consideration that will impact international enrollments
     include a College of Business arrangement with sister universities in India
     and Austria (student pay 150% tuition), and other formats based on the
     model used by UNK with Japan in which a “third party” pays tuition at
     100% the current rate.
   • Much of the growth in student credit hours has been on-line – which does
     not translate into a need for more classrooms.

3. Board of Regents Meeting was held July 18, 2013.
   (see also http://nebraska.edu/publications-and-reports/july-2013.html#1)
   Other than perfunctory approval of Interlocal Cooperation Agreements with
   the City of Omaha for the Center Street campus UNO projects were absent from
   the formal agenda.
   Mary Niemec, Associate Vice President for Distance Education and Director
   of Online Worldwide, gave a presentation on distance education which, the
   senate presidents had hoped, would inform us about MOOCs and the
   memorandum of agreement with Coursera. It did not. Perhaps she will be more
   enlightening at the Faculty Senate Retreat.

4. Deans Forum Summary: As of August 13, 2013, it has been updated to June 6, 2013.
   http://www.unomaha.edu/aandsaffairs/inside/deansforum.php

5. Written Acknowledgements for Resolutions:
   On August 8, 2013, Nancy Castilow, Assistant to the Chancellor e-mailed the
   following:
   Thanks, I will clear as many as I can. See responses below. On the five
   others, I know discussions were held on the submission of grades, MOOCs
   and shared governance but do not know the outcome of those discussions. I’ll
   be back in touch.
   4079: checking
   4080: checking
   4081: checking
   4082-4091: support
   4092: checking
   4093-4102: support
   4103: checking
   4004: Support
   And later that same morning:
   4079: Cannot support as the granting of academic credit is under the
      purview of the faculty, program and college
   4080: Support
   4081: Support
   4092: Support the resolution to continue to clarify Shared Governance
      definitions between faculty and administration.
   4103: Support
   And:
   Thanks for putting that together. Didn’t realize we were that far behind,
although I know JC and the Faculty Senate President and Executive Committee discuss and he provides verbal feedback.

### 2012-2013 Resolution Action Table

**Action Pending and Current Resolutions**

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<td>Amended Resolution 4054 on Criminal Background Checks</td>
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<td>Determine Contractual Implications of Background Check Policy (w/participation of bargaining unit and Central Admin.)</td>
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*2944* *(From the EC & Admin Mtg 1/21/09: The Chancellor supports the concept in Resolution 2944 on funding an UCRCA budget line but opined we wouldn’t get it during the years of budgetary problems.)*

6. **Treasurer’s Report:** Senator Holley gave the July 2013 budget report.

IV. **Standing Committee Reports**

A. **Committee on Rules:** Senator Mahoney reported that the following resolutions will be presented at the Faculty Senate Retreat next week.

Completion of Resolutions 4094 and 4102, and from volunteers at the 2013 Retreat.

1. **Resolution 4094, 5/8/13:** Campus Committees Resolution (a-g)
BE IT RESOLVED, that the following be appointed to Campus Committees as designated:

a. Academic Planning Council (APC)

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 05/8/13, through 05/14/14:

____tba________________________, Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs
____tba________________________, Committee on Goals and Directions.

f. Strategic Planning Steering Committee

BE IT RESOLVED, that one member of the 2013-2014 Faculty Senate Goals & Directions committee will be appointed to the Strategic Planning Steering Committee for a one-year term from 05/8/13, through 05/14/14:

_________tba________________________.


BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate President appoints the following as designated:

a. AAUP Executive Committee (American Assoc. of University Professors)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the senate president appoints the following senator, who is also an AAUP member, as the senate representative for a one year appointment from 05/9/13, through 05/14/14, to the UNO Chapter of AAUP, to replace Dana Richter-Egger, whose term has expired:

_________tba________________________.

3. Faculty Grievance Committee (two volunteers for September Ballot):

And one member of the Faculty Senate Faculty Personnel and Welfare committee will be elected from the following TWO nominees to replace Marshall Prisbell, whose term has expired, as the Faculty Personnel and Welfare Committee representative for a one-year term from September 16, 2013, through September 15, 2014:

_______tba________________________
_______tba________________________.

V. Non-Senate Committee Reports

A. Safety Committee:  Prof. Laquer wrote the committee met July 22, 2013.
- September 13, 2013: Active Shooter Functional Exercise (Drill) at Mammel Hall, with Omaha Police. Inside and outside evaluators. Might be 2 hours.
- Youth Safety Policy
VI. Old Business

A. The proposed program for the Executive Masters of Science in Information Technology (EMIT) was given to the Academic & Curricular Committee to put together a resolution to either approve or disapprove of the program.

VII. New Business

A. The following resolution was moved, second, and passed. It will be presented to the full senate next week.

Resolution Regarding Appointment of Parliamentarian:

BE IT RESOLVED, that according to the Constitution of the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska, Article IV, the senate president appoints Jim Carroll the parliamentarian of the 2013-2014 Faculty Senate.

B. Temporary Replacement for Education Senator:

On July 24, 2013, Senator Phyllis Adcock sent the following e-mail:

"I now have a conflict with Faculty Senate meetings this fall because I have been assigned to teach an extra class, which is at the same time as faculty senate meetings. ... I should have no problem with the Spring semester taking care of my Faculty Senate responsibilities. So I am requesting a temporary leave of absence and hope that you can find someone to take care of my responsibilities for the fall.

The following resolution was moved, seconded, and passed. It will be presented to the full senate next week.

BE IT RESOLVED, the UNO Faculty Senate accepts the temporary resignation of a College of Education senator, Phyllis Adcock, for Fall 2013. John Hill, as runner up in the most recent College of Education election, will temporarily replace her 8/21/2013-12/31/2013.

C. The following resolution was moved by Senator R. Smith, seconded by Senator Wileman, and passed. It will be presented to the full senate next week.

Resolution Regarding Deadline for Fall Grades

BE IT RESOLVED, that the deadline for Fall semester grades be seven calendar days after the scheduled final exam date in classes with exams scheduled before December 17 and ten calendar days in classes with final exam dates on December 17 or thereafter.

President M. Bacon then passed the gavel to Senator R. Smith, allowing President M. Bacon to move the following resolution. The resolution was seconded by Senator
Adcock, and passed. It will be presented to the full senate next week.

D. Resolution of Appreciation for Dr. Harold M. Maurer, M.D.

WHEREAS, Harold M. Maurer, M.D., has served with distinction as Chancellor of the University of Nebraska Medical Center since 1998, during which time UNMC has prospered and grown in status both as an educational and as a research institution, in no small part thanks to the tireless efforts of Chancellor Maurer; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as Chancellor, collegial cooperation between UNMC and UNO has increased both educationally, for example in the graduate programs in Public Health and Biomedical Informatics, and in research among faculty and students in the spirit of the University of Nebraska Strategic Framework points 2.b.iii life sciences emphasis, and 4.c intercampus and interdisciplinary research collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Maurer’s record of achievement mirrors those ambitions expressed in UNO’s Strategic Plan – student centeredness, academic excellence, and community engagement – particularly those which provide access to the core competencies of the University of Nebraska to local populations, utilizing locally available assets;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha congratulates Dr. Maurer on his myriad achievements as chancellor of UNMC, wishes him well on his retirement, and hopes that his transition to full time fund raising for the new Cancer Center will prove as successful as his tenure as Chancellor.

E. Faculty Senate Retreat (8/21/13) discussion:
1. Place: Mahoney State Park, Main Lodge
2. Speaker(s)/Topics
   • Mary Niemiec (MOOC-ish)
   • Victor Winter (MOOCs)
   • Chancellor Christensen
   • SVC Reed
3. Schedule of Retreat to be included
4. Items to distribute to include at least the following:
   • End of Year Report
   • Welcome Letter

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m. with announcements.

IX. Announcements
A. Faculty/Staff Picnic: August 20, 2013, MBSC (Go to eNotes to RSVP)
B. Faculty Senate RETREAT: August 21, 2013, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mahoney State Park, Main Lodge
C. Faculty Breakfast: August 27, 2013, 7:30-9 a.m., MBSC Ballroom (RSVP Donna Hathaway)
D. EC&A Mtg: No Meeting in August
E. EC&C Mtg: September 4, 2013, 2 p.m., ASH 196