Welcome by: Lindsey Ekwerkwu, Director of Academic Success, ATHL-NCAA Compliance
Presentation: AVC Student Affairs/Dean of Students Dan Shipp, who spoke of Student Affairs and Student Affairs Administration.


Excused: Beard, Bernstein, Dick, Kreiling, Nordness

Absent: Chen, Mitchell, Ostler

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:40 p.m. by President Lisa Scherer.

II. The Minutes of January 14, 2015, were approved as written.

III. Officers’ Reports

A. President’s Report: Senator Scherer reported
   1. President Scherer and the other 3 Faculty Senate presidents met for a breakfast in Lincoln with soon to be NU President Hank Bounds. He seems to be trying to be accessible. There is a lunch scheduled at UNO in March. The UNO Chancellor’s office has included the Faculty Senate President in that invitation. President Scherer is hopeful for the future.
   2. Board of Regents met January 30, 2015.
      a. The issue of graduation rates came up, using the IPEDS report (which is not appropriate to UNO, UNO endorses SAMs), which is a percentage of four year graduates who have never transferred.
      b. President Scherer feels that the BOR has tenure on the chopping block. There is need to get BOR to understand workload, tenure, etc. Faculty need to carefully document (Digital Measures) all they do.

B. Secretary/Treasurer’s Report: Senator Cast-Brede reported

   1. Executive Committee & Administration met January 21, 2015.
      Present: Cast-Brede, Christensen, Holley, Reed, Shipp, Sollars, Woody
      Absent: Barnes, Castilow, Conley, Morris, Smith-Howell
      a. Resolutions
         The Chancellor acknowledged the following Resolutions completed at January 14, 2014, Faculty Senate Meeting:

         RESOLUTION 4178, 1/14/15: Chancellor acknowledged Senator Means returning to Senate
RESOLUTION 4179, 1/14/15: Chancellor acknowledged Request to commit to discussions with student, faculty, and staff toward the goal of making UNO a smoke-free campus
RESOLUTION 4180, 1/14/15: Chancellor acknowledged Appreciation for Presidential Award for Community Engagement
RESOLUTION 4181, 1/14/15: Chancellor acknowledge Appreciation for 2014 Light of Wellness Awardees

b. Topics Discussed

NU System Issues
New NU President Hank Bounds-Suggestions for relationship building
NU System Budget-potential advocacy from Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate & UNO Issues

i. Faculty Senate Strategic Initiatives

1. Support for enhanced research support. Noted: enhancements of research support will be focused less on support for travel than on strategic priority of research, or relevance to UNO priorities for future growth e.g., institutionalization of global ties now based primarily on relationships with individuals.

Support for research travel. Noted: these conversations will be in the individual colleges.

Support for additional personnel to help identify and write grants (e.g., in the Office of Sponsored Projects or in Colleges)

Support for more graduate assistantships and student workers. Noted GA positions funded jointly by AVC and Deans, allocated by AVC Academic and Student Affairs.

2. Support a more consistent and equitable reporting of workload, and a more precise and accurate accounting of workload for service and teaching. Noted: AAUP is integral to addressing this issue. Current contract negotiations are substantially complete.

3. Support for greater diversity of faculty, staff, and students and related educational programing for new and existing faculty and staff e.g. in regard to cultural sensitivity and mentoring skills. Noted Special Faculty Development positions funded jointly by AVC and Colleges.

4. Support for clear, practical and effective assessment of student learning (AVC Paul Barnes’ area.)

5. Support for mechanisms and processes that protect the safety, health and well-being of all of UNO students, faculty, and staff. Note: Public Safety concerns increase as UNO grows in area and as a residential college. Plans to create a new position of Public Safety are in progress. Suggestions for improving safety should be directed to AVC Dan Shipp. President-Elect Bob Woody plans to feature these concerns at the August, 2015 Faculty Senate Retreat.

6. Support more effective onboarding and training of new faculty senators

President Suggestions: Chancellor Christensen and SVC Reed expressed appreciation for the positive impact of arrangements made by the Faculty Senate this year to improve communication and took note of ideas to:

• Formalize a continued relationship with student government president, staff advisory president, and faculty senate president.

• Develop a mechanism for regular communication between student affairs and faculty senate.

• Develop a mechanism for regular communication and collaboration between VC Bill Conley’s office and Faculty Senate.
• Continue arrangements for identification of one of the faculty that serves on every university, non-Senate committee as a liaison with the Senate who regularly informs the Senate about the committee’s progress and concerns.

ii. Faculty Senate Executive and Standing Committee Initiatives, Discussion and Actions

Executive Committee:
Non-smoking resolution
Resolution of Appreciations for UNO Presidential Award for Community Engagement
Resolution for the three UNO staff people who were awarded the Light of Wellness Award by Wellness Council of the Midlands (WELLCOM) (Esther Scarpello, Julie Kalasek and Marcia Adler).
Student and Faculty Surveys-next steps
Title IX and Sexual Misconduct-next steps
Academic and Curricular Affairs: online evaluation issues and FS upcoming resolution regarding next steps
Faculty Personnel and Welfare: Professor Emeritus issue, Parking cost for Adjunct Instructors
Professional Development: Onboarding, evaluation and training of Adjunct Instructors and plans for survey development
Educational Resources and Services: Discussing issues regarding Open Access Journals, both how the quality of journal is assessed and issues regarding authorship rights.

c. Chancellor’s Topics

i. Will meet with President Bounds at the end of January. Bounds has asked what critical issues and events should he look at in the next six months.

ii. Unsure about budget due to the number of new stakeholders (new governor, new CCPE leader, new university president, new legislators, etc.). Will start to get an idea in March.

iii. No capital items this legislature.

iv. Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities Conference is at Omaha, October 11-13, 2015.

v. Engagement Scholarship Conference will be in Omaha, Fall 2016.

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*4054 (Legal Opinion): From: John C. Hewitt [mailto:jhewitt@clinewilliams.com]; Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 9:11 PM;  
To: Ed Wimes; Subject: Background Checks.

Ed,

In a response to my email of July 14, you have indicated that at this time you anticipate that the “background check” at the University of Nebraska at Omaha will consist of the University reviewing public records (i.e., sex offender registry, criminal convictions, etc.) for applicants for employment. Based on the foregoing you have inquired whether such an approach would constitute a mandatory subject of bargaining.

The simple answer is that the University could, in my opinion, proceed to implement such an approach for applicants without any discussions. The obligation to bargain in good faith concerning mandatory subjects is generally limited to the current employees of an employer. There is generally no obligation to negotiate concerning prospective employees. Star Tribune, 295 NLRB 543 (1989).

If there remains any discussion about expanding such an approach to current employees, then the answer becomes more complicated. Nevertheless, I do not believe that the University would be required to bargain over the decision to review public records at its own cost and expense. As I indicated previously, this decision would likely be within the employer’s managerial discretion. However, I also believe that the University would be required to bargain over the “effects” of such a decision; such as (a) whether any information in a person’s criminal record would remain confidential; (b) whether certain employees would be exempted based upon length of exemplary work records; (c) the appeal rights of employees who claim that they have been incorrectly identified of having been convicted of a particular crime or who believe there are extenuating circumstances that would exclude their disqualification; and (d) the categories of offenses that would result in automatically exclusion from employment.

If you would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to call.

John C. Hewitt; jhewitt@clinewilliams.com; CLINE WILLIAMS WRIGHT JOHNSON & OLDFAHER, L.L.P.;
2. Budget Report: The January 2014 Budget report was accepted.

IV. Executive Committee: Senator Holley move the following two resolutions for the Executive Committee. Both passed.

A. RESOLUTION 4182, 2/11/15: Senator resigning as Rules Committee Chair, Appointment of a New Chair

WHEREAS Senator Amy Morris has requested to be replaced as Chair of the Faculty Senate Rules Committee and member of the Executive Committee due to her acceptance of a major responsibility in Art and Art History for the College of Fine Arts and Media and

WHEREAS according to the Bylaws of the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska, Article VI, Section 5.6, the senate president appoints the Chair of the Committee for Rules; and

WHEREAS President Scherer has accepted the request and made a new appointment,

BE IT RESOLVED that President Lisa Scherer appoints Senator Douglas Stack be appointed to Chair of the Rules Committee and member of the Executive Committee for the remainder of the 2014-2015 term; AND

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that Senator Morris be appointed Vice Chair of the Rules Committee for the remainder of the 2014-2015 term.

B. RESOLUTION 4183, 2/11/15: Senator Resigning and Appointment of Replacement

WHEREAS Avery Mazor is leaving UNO and resigning from the Faculty Senate, effective immediately,

WHEREAS Joy Chao is the first runner up in the most recent CFAM election and has agreed to serve as a member of the Faculty Senate,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UNO Faculty Senate thank Avery Mazor for his service during the past academic year, and welcome Senator Chao to the Faculty Senate.

V. Standing Committee Reports

A. Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs: Senator Parnell moved the
RESOLUTION 4184, 2/11/15: Faculty Role in Administration and Modification of Online Course Evaluation Process

WHEREAS the Faculty Senate recognizes that online evaluations will have been implemented by all Colleges on the UNO campus by Spring 2015; and

WHEREAS the Faculty Senate recognizes that with any new system there will be “bugs” to be worked out; and

WHEREAS the Faculty Senate acknowledges that student privacy is better protected through the use of online evaluations; and

WHEREAS the Faculty Senate acknowledges that the increased window of time during which online evaluations are available to students potentially will allow for a higher student response; and

WHEREAS the response rate for online evaluations for Fall 2014 was shown to be LOWER, at approximately 53% for Distance Ed courses and 64% for On-campus courses, as reported by the Senior Vice Chancellor of Academic and Curricular Affairs; and

WHEREAS the faculty has received an acknowledgement from the Senior Vice Chancellor of Academic and Curricular Affairs that his office will work toward the goal of making sure the faculty will have control over the release time of the online evaluations; and

WHEREAS the ability for departments/programs/faculty to add curriculum-specific questions to the online evaluations will be further discussed by the Senior Vice Chancellor of Academic and Curricular Affairs and the Faculty Senate A&CA committee; and

WHEREAS the faculty will be included on all correspondence disseminated to the students regarding information about the online course evaluations; and

WHEREAS the guidelines set forth by the University of Nebraska Board of Regents state that student evaluations are to constitute only a portion of the assessment of any employee’s teaching, and thus the results of online evaluations will be weighted appropriately; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the faculty will be given a role in the ongoing administration and modification of the Evaluation process, as well as any proposed use of the information gathered through the Evaluation process.

B. Committee on Educational Resources and Services: Senator Kwak reported the Committee met on January 28th at the UNO library conference room. The Committee invited Associate Vice Chancellor, John Fiene with two IT staff members and Lanyce Keel as ad hoc committee member. All ER&S members were present.

John Fiene discussed a campus-wide web site as a possible communication tool as
a two year on-going project. They finished phase five and their focus was on external users including potential students. However, now is the time to focus on internal users as well and develop a web site working campus-wide like “Intranet.” They need input required for their design for the framework of navigation and material contents. At their sixth phase, they asked our opinions about current problems with our existing IT system, such as maintaining several passwords, long URLs, and not being easy to navigate. John promised they will work with us on those issues and proposed a research project regarding how other universities are doing. We may need a survey for all UNO faculty because some faculty are heavy users of IT for their teaching, research, and service projects and some faculty may want to use basic functions.

The Committee discussed the Paul Beck Scholarship procedures and decided to award one full-time graduate and one full-time undergraduate student like last year and the application deadline is April 10th this year as we need time to review application files.

The Committee discussed Open Access Journal Policy and we will discuss details in our next meeting.

ER&S liaison to the Technology committee: Philip Nordness.

C. Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare: Senator Harden reported the Committee met January 28, 2015.

Members Present: Moshe Gershovich, Matthew Harden, Stanley Wileman, Robert Woody

Members Absent: Avery Mazor; Bing Chen

Discussed guests coming in at 2:30 and 3:00, as well as the UN Drug and Alcohol policy. Currently we are working on a resolution that should be completed at the conclusion of our February meeting. The main focus of the resolution is to request that the BOR look into the policy regarding updating it to match campuses and to look at shifting the focus to and Alcohol and Illicit Drug Policy. Regarding the UNO Campus there is the option for alcohol at receptions in Milo Bail, as well as the new Community Engagement Center. Other issues discussed were that if it is illegal in the community, it should be illegal on campus. We would like a focus on the issues that directly relate to faculty. In addition, no faculty member shall do duties under the influence of alcohol or illicit drugs. A decision was made the Senator Harden will start a Resolution and send it to members to review prior to the February meeting.

At 2:30 p.m. we meet with VC Bill Conley, Stan Schleifer and Jim Ecker to discuss parking issues on campus and to answer our questions and concerns about parking for adjuncts. Bill Conley presented to us that based on the FP & W meeting from January 2014, they did create new categories, specially designed for Adjuncts, but available to everyone. These include Short Term Permits for one day a week and two days a week. Everyone is eligible to purchase these on a monthly, semester or annual basis. They have also added a one-time permit during academic year for a one month period. These would apply to someone that is being brought to campus for a short term class. Stan Schleifer gave us a one page summary for the Short Term Parking Options for 2014/2015. Jim Ecker shared that about thirty of the new Short Term permits have been purchased. An Evening pass on the Pacific Street Campus has been added for $65 a semester, it allows the purchaser to park any time after 2:30 p.m. In addition, he pointed out that for the Dodge Street Campus everyone has the option of buying a one day pass to the garage. This has been very well received and on many days there are spaces available. It is $5 for the day, or $2 after 12 noon.

A chief concern that came up during the meeting is communication. How to get word out to Adjunct employees and new employees. One solution that we agreed on was a one page flyer that could be given by Department Chairs and School Directors.
to current adjuncts and new employees. This sheet would direct the faculty members to the excellent information already on the UNO Website. Bill, Stan and Jim stated they would look into this.

Finally they discussed new changes for next year and encouraged everyone to attend the Parking Information sessions during the week of February 2-6. Starting in the Fall of 2015 Crossroads mall will no longer be used for UNO parking. Instead the new “free lot” will be at the new Arena. There will then be two shuttles coming from the Pacific Street Campus. The current one and a new Express Shuttle that only runs between the Arena and the Dodge Street Campus. In addition, we will see possible closure of Dodge Parking lots for construction and campus changes. We recommend that the FP & W committee have an annual meeting with parking to help stay current on issues. Bill suggested that we could have the minutes of the parking committee on campus sent to Sue in the Faculty Senate office to aid with communication.

At 3:05 p.m. we meet with Assistant to the Senior Vice Chancellor for Human Resources, James McCarty, to discuss the status of the Resolution passed by Faculty Senate in March of 2014. James shared with us the BOR policy and how the campuses at UNL and UNK are addressing the issue. Before 2011 Emeritus Status was awarded by the BOR. It is not awarded by the Chancellor on each campus. In addition to the information regarding how other campuses were considering Emeritus Status, James shared with us the one strong desire of the administration at UNO is to develop continuing contact between retiring faculty and the UNO Campus Community. During the presentation we shared with James the Resolution from Faculty Senate and were told it was the first time he had seen it. He is taking the Resolution and contacting all of the Deans of the Colleges and will report back to us by April what they plan to do to award Emeritus Status and that they will each have a written policy for their College. These will be posted for all faculty to see. We applaud his efforts and based on our discussion for a need develop stronger ties with Emeriti put forth the following resolution:

Senator Harden moved the following resolution for the committee. Senator Wileman then moved, with Senator Stack seconding, to amend the motion to change “college” to “unit” in the last paragraph to keep all references the same. The amendment and resolution passed.

RESOLUTION 4185, 2/11/15: Regarding Establishing Clear and Communicable Policies for Emeritus Status

WHEREAS emeritus status is the rank customarily awarded by the Chancellor of each campus in the University of Nebraska system to a faculty member at the time of his or her retirement; and

WHEREAS James McCarty, Assistant to the Senior Vice Chancellor for Human Resources, is following up with the Deans of the various UNO colleges regarding the resolution passed by the Faculty Senate, on March 2014, that urged individual units to develop and publish the policies and criteria to be used in recommending individuals for emeritus status, and

WHEREAS the UNO Campus would like to see a stronger relationship between those retiring faculty members granted emeritus status and the University.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate reiterates the need for each college unit to establish clear and communicable policies and requests of the Administration to appoint one of its members to propose a plan for better
continuing communications and contacts between the Emeriti and the University.

Following James McCarty’s departure we spent the final part of the meeting discussing additional issues on our plate. These include revisiting the Wellness Center fees and Workload Policy on Campus. These two issues will be the primary focus on the February meeting to be held in Arts and Sciences Hall 288D at 2 p.m. on February 25.

D. Committee on Goals and Directions: Senator Mitchell wrote that Meeting #3 was held on January 28, 2015. (There was no meeting in November and December.)

The Committee met in Roskens Hall 406 Conference Room with the Chair, Senator Carol Mitchell presiding. Three of the six members were present: Senators Patricia Carlson, Lyn Holley, and Beth Ritter.

Senators reviewed the Faculty Senate survey documents and the work completed as assigned to pairs of Senators on the Goals and Directions Committee. The Senators determined the Standing Committees associated with the “Concerns” from the survey. Concerns that represented 10 or more were selected. The results of the analysis are below. Please refer to the UNO Faculty Senate Survey of Faculty: Appreciations and Concerns document. The appreciations and concerns entries are numbered 1 – 70.

**Faculty Personnel and Welfare** – Concerns 7, 16, 25, 35, 37, 38, 41, and 42.

**Professional Development** – Concerns 3 and 30

**Academic and Curricular Affairs** – Concerns 2, 11, 20, 29, and 40

**Educational Resources and Services** – Concerns 5, 28, and 33

**Goals and Directions** – 4, 6, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 17, 19, 34, and 39.

The Committee will meet again on Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at 3:00 PM, RH 406 G.

E. Committee on Professional Development: Senator Sollars reported the committee met January 28, 2015.

Present: Juan Casas, Harrison Means, Harvey Siy, Suzanne Sollars, Adam Tyma, Vincent Woolf

Formulated questions for our survey to adjunct faculty.

F. Committee on Rules: Senator Stack reported the committee met January 28, 2015.

The Committee reviewed the procedure to track and identify liaisons to non-senate committees. Senator Amy Morris will no longer be Chair of the Rules Committee, because of newly assumed role as Coordinator of Art & Art History. Senator Doug Stack agreed to assume some of the roles of Rules Committee Chair.

Senator Stack will oversee the implementation of a system by which the Rules Committee members track the reports of committee liaisons. In addition to the committee liaisons already assigned to each member the committee will identify committees from Senator Juan Casas’ list that need members and distribute those among Rules members.

Senator Stack will also create an excel spreadsheet that will list committees alphabetically. Additional fields include: service or policy designation, chair and contact email, liaison (if not chair), frequency of meetings, committee charge. It was suggested that the chair of the committee automatically be the liaison or be asked to designate one.

President Lisa Scherer will assign Senator Harvey Siy to the Rules Committee since he developed the online update system for committee liaisons.

The Rules committee will meet on Feb. 25th to work on committee liaisons.
VI. Other Faculty Senate Committees:

A. Ad Hoc Faculty Senate-Student Senate Survey of Students Group: Senator Scherer will meet with Senator Holley, Dr. Prisbell, and Student Government representatives to work on the survey results.

VII. Non-Senate Committee Reports

A. Search Committee – Dean – Criss Library (complete as of 1/14/2015)
   Hesham Ali Chair
   Bob Nash Library Faculty
   Melissa Cast-Brede Library Faculty
   Joyce Neujahr Library Faculty
   Kris Tuel Library Staff
   Mark Walters Library Staff
   Waitman Beorn UNO Faculty
   Amy Rodie UNO Faculty
   Chuck Johanningsmeier UNO Faculty
   Becky Pasco UNO Faculty
   Brian Carey UNO Staff (Athletics)
   Lissette Aliaga-Linares OLLAS

B. Library & Learning Resources Committee: Prof. Duran wrote the committee met January 30, 2015.
   1. Report from Interim Dean Audrey DeFrank
      • Creative Production Lab opened
      • OPL to use Borders Bldg @ 72nd and Dodge
      • Ongoing efforts to acquire Omaha World-Herald collections for Criss
      • Laurie Schwartz is new Hegel collection archivist
   2. Faculty survey to assist in collections review currently in development
   3. Library Strategic Planning to commence Spring 2015 semester
   4. Search for replacement for Dean Shorb underway
      • committee selected by BJ Reed, perhaps with aid from Faculty Senate
      (Library Committee unaware of process, not included)

Faculty Senate Liaison's assessment
Status quo.
Many concerns (euphemistic understatement) regarding absence of Library Committee and membership from search for replacement for Dean Shorb.

What, if anything, can Faculty Senate do to help?
See #4 above and assessment above.

   Updates: Ecker
   • Free faculty/staff Metro Bus Passes: available on all Metro routes; available 7 days a week; 48 people have signed up (out of 200); need to get the word out about them; pilot program; can try out to see if it fits your needs
   • Emergency-Ride-Home Program: taxi cabs available for emergencies;
contracted with Happy Cab; they will bill UNO; show them your ID
• ZimRide Program: social website for pairing up people on the same routes for rides to school; for faculty, staff, and students; soft rollout last week of January & will officially start the first week of February; http://www.zimride.com/unomaha; for one time commutes (e.g., spring break) or daily commutes

Old business: Paskewitz
• Yield signs (crosswalk issues) proposal draft—“On behalf of the Parking Advisory Committee, we recommend the Chancellor, safety should be our priority to all on campus, both pedestrians and drivers. Therefore we propose to install yield signs at all crosswalks across campus. These signs will help to increase the awareness of where pedestrians may be crossing and may decrease the speed of drivers on campus.”
• Conley: Pacific Campus & Pine Street—Put Yield signs in the middle of the street to help slow traffic down; will try these signs at Dodge campus; Add signs/better lighting/flash light to encourage people to use sidewalks, esp. southeast corner of the East Garage (down to the park)

New business: Conley - Parking & Transit Update:
• adequate parking stalls as evidenced by a low parking ratio;
• pedestrian & motorist safety;
• reduce cars on campus;
• best practices in Parking Dept. operations;
• plan & anticipate parking/transportation needs, include: growth, scheduling, online courses, housing;
• average available parking spaces at ANY time:
  o East Parking Garage: 335,
  o West Parking Garage: 187,
  o Lot 9 & 14 (Pacific): 309,
  o total: 831;
• Parking Adequacy—All Stalls:
  o Fac & Staff: 2,144,
  o Students: 15,227,
  o Parking Stalls: 8,304
  o Parking Adequacy Ratio: 2.09;
• UNO Stalls Only:
  o Fac & Staff: 2,144,
  o Students: 15,227,
  o Parking Stalls (excluding public & street): 7,850
  o Parking Adequacy Ratio: 2.2;
• Parking Permit Rate Comparison (BOR Peers): UNO’s highest rates, compared to the average of other institutions, are:
  o 37% lower (students),
  o 45% lower (Fac/Staff);
  o 27% Lower (Reserved);
• Parking Permit Rate Comparison (Other): UNO’s highest rates, compared to the average of other institutions, are:
  o 23% lower (students),
  o 35% lower (Fac/Staff);
  o 5% Lower (Reserved);
• Remote Campus Parking 2015-2016: Parking Lots (Center Campus, west of new UNO/Community Arena & Access from new (67th/68th Street) from
Spring Street or from Mercy Road;
• Shuttles to/from both Campus;
  o 7am-7pm & demand and construction on Pacific Campus may require expanded hours;
  o security will focus on commuter lots—will also monitor other lots around Arena;
  o no permits will be required. This will be evaluated in future years.

Announcements
There will be a short meeting January 26 (4pm at CPACS 208) to review the proposed changes in parking fees. If you cannot make it, an email respond is necessary for your vote on whether or not to approve the changes.

2. The Committee met previously on December 10, 2014.

Old Business

a. Courtesy Tickets—the Parking Advisory Committee offers the following recommendations to the Chancellor: 1) For fall semester, the practice of issuing courtesy tickets to parking violators be limited to the first three days so faculty and staff can find places to park. 2) The West Parking Structure be available for those same days for Faculty/Staff who cannot find parking due to violators.

New Business

a. Free faculty/staff Metro Bus Passes: 200 passes; trail program to mirror student program; revisit after fall semester; will be managed through an email process; any FPT level can apply; will use Mav card; just for work; will start the program January 5/6; ½ will be paid by Business & Finance and ½ by Metro; available year around; first-come-first-serve
b. ZimRide Program: social website for pairing up people on the same routes for rides to school; for faculty, staff, and students; will be available mid-January; hard launch with messaging at the end of January; Business & Finance will pay for it
c. Guarantee-Ride-Home Program: taxi cabs available for emergencies; 4 rides available/person/calendar year; up to $100 dollars; riders will be reimbursed
d. Spring Semester Permit Sales: on sale on January 15th; done online; prices are half (from the fall); garage permits are available
e. Next meeting: dorm parking issues; stop signs, speed bumps & yield signs (crosswalk issues)

D. Strategic Planning Steering Committee: Senator Mitchell wrote the Committee met January 21, 2015.

Chancellor’s Update

• Positive communications with the new governor.
• Budget process and timeline described – hope to get first indications from the State of the State address regarding the proposed university budget.

January 9th Forum
• Positive feedback regarding the layout and panels in the CEC.
• Forum timing the Friday before the start of classes was intentional to get more faculty and students attendance.

May 11th Forum
• Community Panel – Chancellor would like to see a community panel showing off what UNO is doing and the importance of being a metropolitan university. Suggestions are requested. Some ideas are to invite NU President Bounds, Governor Ricketts, a representative from P-16, and the new CCPE Commissioner.
• Possible Topics: What should be the mission of UNO? What makes us unique? What are our core tasks?

Task Force Updates
• Aquip – Neal Topp Neal spoke to the “Young Alumni” group about CUMU 2015 and would like to spread the word to other campus and community groups.
• Faulty Senate – Carol T. Mitchell
  The Senate continues to work actively on improved communications with Faculty.
• Student Government Report – Andrew White
  Discussed student center renovations and working on a community engagement activity.
• OTHER- The Chancellor shared that there will be a special tribute to Senator Hagel in Washington to which he and BJ were invited; the Chancellor will attend. Hagel will visit the campus in the spring.
  The CCSW luncheon is scheduled for March 4th in the MBSC Ballroom.
  The next meeting is February 25th at 8AM in EAB 200.

VIII. Old Business

A. Professor Emeritus Resolution Update: Senator Holley reported that this is on James McCarty’s desk and he should have something for us in January 2015. The Faculty Personnel and Welfare Committee is urged to meet with James McCarty as soon as possible to achieve closure on the resolution. (See Resolution 4185 above.)

B. Dialogue about reduced rates for parking for adjunct faculty members: This is also with the Faculty Personnel and Welfare Committee. (See Parking Committee report above.)

C. Sexual Misconduct Policy & Behavioral Review Team: Senator Scherer reported that there is Syllabus Language–Title IX issues and syllabus language suggested by Central Administration. EPAC, and AVC Smith-Howell, are developing a revision of language suggested by Central which will then come to Faculty Senate. FS President will follow up with Deb Smith Howell on status of EPAC’s work on this. The Faculty Senate President will form an Ad Hoc Committee to look at this wording if there is no language forthcoming from EPAC, etc.

D. UNO Constituency Safety & Well-being: Senator Scherer
  Better education, coordination and communication of information to all constituencies on how to facilitate the health, safety and well-being of ALL of its constituents:
  1. Student Safety Website—very impressive but would like to see a Faculty and Staff Safety website
  2. Confusion on resources for faculty staff (Ombudsmen, EAP person, Counseling, Behavioral Review Team, etc.). What information is confidential? What is not? Where to go?
  3. BRT: Student Concerns—Student is the focal person or person of concern and faculty, staff and students can report here? If is the person of concern is a faculty or student, where does a faculty or staff person report? What are the mechanisms for dealing with the issue(s)?
  4. Should a standing committee be tasked with following up on this-Faculty Personnel & Welfare?

E. Update on Communities of Practice (COPS) discussion with administration:
  Senators Scherer & Sollars have gathered information about COPS, which, this year, replaced Teaching Triangles, etc., without much faculty input. President Scherer negotiated several modifications to expand and clarify membership requirements which are now reflected on the COPS UNO website (e.g., only limit on number of members is that total funds for stipends not exceed $1,200.00 per year, part time
faculty and graduate students may be members, but will not receive stipends.) Further negotiations are in progress regarding part-time faculty members being eligible for the $200 stipend.

F. Alcohol & Drug Use Policy: This is with the Faculty Personnel and Welfare Committee.

IX. New Business

The following motion was moved by Senator Grams and seconded by Senator Eesley. It was approved unanimously to send the issue to the Academic & Curricular Affairs Committee.

Be it so moved that whenever changes are made to Final Exam times and schedule the Faculty will be included in the discussion.

X. The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. with announcements.

XI. Announcements
A. EC&A Mtg: Wednesday, February 18, 2015, 2 p.m., EAB 200 (Chancellor’s Conference Room)
B. EC&C Mtg: Wednesday, March 4, 2015, 2 p.m., ASH 196
C. Faculty Senate Mtg: Wednesday, March 11, 2015, 2 p.m., CBA / MH 122;
D. Faculty/Staff Awards Banquet: Wednesday, April 29, 2015, 6:30 p.m. social, 7 p.m. dinner (All Faculty Senators and a guest will be invited. RSVP will be necessary.)

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