MINUTES

MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA
FACULTY SENATE
May 10, 1995

The University of Nebraska at Omaha Faculty Senate met in regular session on Wednesday, May 10, 1995, at 2:00 p.m. in East Boot Hall of the Thompson Alumni Center. President Krane presided.


MEMBERS EXCUSED: Barnett, Bradshaw, Cederblom, D'Souza, Heidel, Homer, Lloyd, Lorsbach, Newman, Pietron, West

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

President Krane asked for a motion for approval of the minutes from the April 12, 1995, meeting. Senator Camp moved approval of the minutes; Senator Dwine seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

President's Report

President Krane report is attached.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

None

Vice President's Report

None

Executive Committee Report

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Vice President Dwine moved the following:

Resolution 2087

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following UNO faculty members have been duly elected to the Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee and will serve the stated terms. The untenured member will serve the stated term, or until receiving tenure.

Tenured
Pat Kolasa, Education (one-year term)
Tom Tollman, Library (three-year term)

Non-tenured
Janice Rech, Arts and Sciences (three-year term)

The motion passed.

Resolution 2091

WHEREAS, he has served with distinction as President of the UNO Faculty Senate for the 1994-95 term, and

WHEREAS, he has presented the viewpoints of faculty to the UNO administration, the University of Nebraska system administration, the Board of Regents, and the Nebraska Unicameral cogently and forcefully, and

WHEREAS, he has encouraged relationships with the faculty senates of UNL, UNMC, and UNK as well as Uno's AAUP; therefore,
BE IT RESOLVED, that the UNO Faculty Senate extends its sincere appreciation to Professor Dale Krane for his outstanding service to the faculty and to the university as President of the UNO Faculty Senate.

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2092**
WHEREAS, Professor Deborah Smith-Howell accurately and faithfully reported the proceedings of the Faculty Senate, and

WHEREAS, she exercised careful stewardship of Senate monies, and

WHEREAS, she always provided perceptive insights about issues faced by the Senate; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate extends its deep appreciation to Dr. Deborah Smith-Howell, Department of Communication, for her exemplary service as Secretary/Treasurer.

The motion passed.

Senator Baker moved the following and it was seconded:

**Resolution 2093**
WHEREAS, Professor Kay Dwine effectively presided over the arduous and rambunctious meetings of the Executive Committee, and

WHEREAS, she brought to the Executive Committee unique and thoughtful perspectives, and

WHEREAS, she carried out her duties with uncommon grace; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate extend its deep gratitude to Dr. Kay Dwine, Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, for her exemplary service as Vice-President.

The motion passed.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Vice President Dwine moved the following:

**Resolution 2094**
WHEREAS, Professor David Corbin demonstrated leadership as Chair of the Professional Development Committee, and

WHEREAS, he has been a forceful advocate for improvements in services available to UNO faculty, and

WHEREAS, he graciously accepted extra duty by serving as Acting Vice President in the Fall of 1995; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. David Corbin and extends its best wishes as he assumes the position of President.

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2095**
WHEREAS, he has effectively, efficiently, and quietly performed the complex tasks pertaining to the management of Senate and University-wide committees; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate commend Professor Robert Nash, UNO Library, for his exemplary service as Chair of the Rules Committee.
The motion passed.

**Resolution 2096**
WHEREAS, he has brought careful attention to detail, dedication to high quality, and great patience to the development of several important new policies and procedures; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate commends Dr. James Carroll, Department of Chemistry, for his exemplary service as Chair of the Academic and Curricular Affairs Committee.

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2097**
WHEREAS, he has been a prudent fiduciary guardian of Senate scholarship funds, and
WHEREAS, he has doggedly pursued progress in various projects, and
WHEREAS, he astutely and calmly directed the Senate's proceedings; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate commends Prof. Duane Aschenbrenner, Department of Communication, for his exemplary service as Parliamentarian and as Chair of the Educational Resources and Services Committee.

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2098**
WHEREAS, he has worked diligently for the enhancement of benefits available to UNO faculty and he has been a vigorous voice for faculty concerns about the parking situation; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate commend Dr. Richard File, Department of Professional Accounting, for his exemplary service as Chair of the Personnel and Welfare Committee.

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2099**
WHEREAS, he ably substituted as committee chair for one semester during which he carried out extensive studies of university support for research; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate commend Dr. James Hagen, Department of Chemistry, for his exemplary service on the Professional Development Committee.

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2100**
WHEREAS, he always expresses himself with the utmost of grace and precision and provides a wisdom distilled from decades of experience at UNO, and
WHEREAS, he has shown great facility in conducting a study of the new technologies of the "Information Age" and their impact on academic matters; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate commend Dr. Harl Dalstrom, Department of History, for his exemplary service as Chair of the Senate Cabinet and as Chair of the Goals and Directions Committee.

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2101**
WHEREAS, she administers, coordinates, documents, manages, organizes, records, and schedules the
meetings of the Faculty Senate, its standing and special committees, and its review commissions, and

WHEREAS, she prepares and disseminates agenda, minutes, and other communications to the full Senate, the general faculty and staff of UNO, the other campuses of the university, and to the general public, and

WHEREAS, she provides complete and confidential support to the three grievance committees of the Senate and assists faculty members who seek advice about the grievance process, and

WHEREAS, she has carried out these and many other diverse responsibilities for over five years with unflagging civility and professionalism, and

WHEREAS, she effectively directs the officers about Senate procedures and manages to control the officers with humor and logic, and

WHEREAS, this past year she survived a serious medical crisis, all the while worried that the work of the Senate would not be performed, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha expresses its heartfelt gratitude to Janet Dean, Faculty Senate Secretary, for her consistently outstanding service, and offers its best wishes for success in her new position as Secretary to the Chancellor.

The motion passed.

Standing Committee Reports

Committee on Personnel and Welfare Report

On behalf of the Personnel and Welfare Committee, Chair File moved the following:

Resolution 2088

WHEREAS, the Award for Distinguished Research or Creative Activity is one of the most prestigious recognitions a member of the faculty at the University of Nebraska at Omaha can receive, and

WHEREAS, most of the pictures of the recipients of the Award for Distinguished Research or Creative Activity are currently located in a closet; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the pictures of the recipients of the Award for Distinguished Research or Creative Activity be displayed in a prominent location in either the Eppley Administration Building or the Milo Bail Student Center.

The motion passed.

Committee on Professional Development Report

Chair Corbin reported that the resolution on the evaluation of the Office of Sponsored Projects which was sent back to the committee will be placed on the agenda for next year to explore a less formal way for evaluation of the Office of Sponsored Projects.

Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs Report

On behalf of the Academic and Curricular Affairs Committee, Chair Carroll moved the following:

Resolution 2089

The UNO Faculty Senate has reviewed the revision of Section 5 of the By-Laws of the College of Business Administration, and concurs with the recommendation of approval by the Faculty of the
The motion passed.

The committee also filed the attached report on the "Faculty Survey on Grading Scales." They decided not to take any action as this point.

**Committee on Educational Resources and Services Report**

None

**Committee on Goals and Directions Report**

Chair Dalstrom reported the committee decided to hold its report on the relationship of UNO to Omaha as a information technology center pending developments of the Chancellor's Task Force studying this issue. Chair Dalstrom also reported that the Faculty Senate had requested the committee to look into the fees charged by Alumni Center. He had a meeting with Mr. Jim Leslie, Executive Director of the Alumni Association, and expressed the Senate's concern to Mr. Leslie.

**Committee on Rules Report**

On behalf of the Rules Committee, Chair Nash moved the following:

**Resolution 2102**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward as appointments to the University Committees on the Advancement of Teaching as designated:

- C. Jo Manning, Psychology - College of Arts and Sciences
- Sharon Sobel, Dramatic Arts - College of Fine Arts

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2103**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following senators be appointed to the Faculty Senate standing committees as designated: (Asterisk indicates continuing members who have been Chairs or Vice Chairs who are thus eligible to serve as Chairs.)

The motion passed.

**Resolution 2103**

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

**Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs**

- Fuad Abdullah, CBA
- Michael Carroll, CPACS
- Joong-Gun Chung, A&S
- Gary Hartzell, Education
- E. J. Kemnitz, A&S
- Gordon Mundell, A&S
- Deborah Smith-Howell, A&S

**Committee on Educational Resources and Services**

- Jim Akers, Education
- Duane Aschenbrenner, A&S
- Betty Hickman, A&S
- Art Homer, Fine Arts
- Vaughn Johnson, CBA
The motion passed.

Resolution 2104

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward to Chancellor Weber as nominees for the Search Advisory Committee for Vice Chancellor for Educational and Student Services:
- David Corbin, Education
- Lynn Harland, CBA
- Bonnie O'Connell, Fine Arts
- Linda Parker, Library
- Robin Russel, CPACS
- James Hagen, Arts and Sciences

The following names were added at the meeting:
- Rosalie Saltzman, Arts and Sciences (Faculty appointment)
- Gary Hartzell, Education

Senator Aschenbrenner moved to accept the above additional names and it was seconded.

The motion to amend passed.

The amended motion passed.

Other Committee Reports

None

Old Business

None
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General discussion followed.

New Business.

According to the By-laws, selection of committee chairs should be made by present senators from returning committee members. The following senators were elected to serve as chairpersons of their respective committees:

Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs
  Fuad Abdullah, Chair
Committee on Educational Resources and Services
  Duane Aschenbrenner, Chair
Committee on Goals and Directions
  H. Carl Camp, Chair
Committee on Personnel and Welfare
  Bruce Chair, Chair
Committee on Professional Development
  Henry D'Souza, Chair

President Krane thanked the officers and senators for all their work during their terms of office. President Krane then passed the gavel to the new President.

President Corbin invited the 1995-96 entering class of senators to join current senators around the table. President Corbin called for nominations for the office of Vice President. Senator Lipschultz nominated Deborah Smith-Howell for the office of Vice President and it was seconded. Senator Aschenbrenner moved all nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast. There were no objections. The nomination by acclamation. President Corbin called for nominations for the office of Secretary/Treasurer. Senator Camp nominated Loree Bykerk and it was seconded. The motion passed by acclamation.

The committees for the 1995-96 then met and the following senators were elected to serve as vice chairpersons of their respective committees:

Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs
  Gordon Mundell, Vice Chair
Committee on Educational Resources and Services
  Betty Hickman, Vice Chair
Committee on Goals and Directions
  Jeremy Lipschultz, Vice Chair
Committee on Personnel and Welfare
  Justin Stolen, Vice Chair
Committee on Professional Development
  H. Perrin "Gar" Garsombke, Vice Chair

As required in the By-laws, senators caucused by college and elected the following representatives to serve on the Rules Committee:

Andris Skreija, Arts and Sciences
Justin Stolen, Business and the Library
Jack McKay, Education
Jerry Cederblom, Fine Arts and CPACS

President Corbin will appoint a Chair for the Rules Committee and Chair of the Cabinet in the near future.

The meeting ended at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Smith-Howell
Secretary/Treasurer