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**USU FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
October 22, 2007, 3:30 p.m.
Champ Hall Conference Room**

Present: President Stan Albrecht, Provost Raymond Coward, Doug Ramsey, Byron Burnham, Steve Burr, Brian Warnick (for Daren Cornforth), Jake Gunther, Ed Heath, John Kras, Pat Lambert, Mike Parent, Flora Shrode, Adrie Roberts, Vincent Wickwar, and Andi McCabe

Invited Guest: Ken White, Steven Hanks, Bob Bayne

Doug Ramsey called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes of September 17, 2007

John Kras motioned to approve the September 17, 2007 minutes. Steve Burr seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

There were no announcements.

University Business

1. President Albrecht stated that the meetings being conducted with the NCAA accreditors are going well.
2. There will be an event on October 25th in Vernal announcing the new Bingham Entrepreneurship and Energy Research Center, which will house significant research projects. Groundbreaking is scheduled for next spring with occupancy anticipated in 2009. Vice President Brent Miller can be contacted for more information.
3. President Albrecht provided some legislative updates. One positive outlook is the state funding for the new College of Agriculture building has been placed as number one on the higher education project list. Although there are other building projects ahead of us, there has not been one year where they have not funded a higher ed project.
4. The Foundation Board and the Board of Trustees were here last week. Five different sections of the Endzone facility have been named as a result of gifts received by the University.
5. Provost Coward announced that the second Dean of Libraries candidate arrives today for his campus visit and there will be one more after this. For the Dean and Executive Director of the Uintah Basin Regional Campus position, we have approximately 35 candidates and review of these applicants will begin the first week of November.

Information Items

1. Athletic Council Report – Ken White reported that our student athletes are doing an exceptional job compared to other institutions. The NCAA certification on-site visit is finished and USU did as well as a campus can expect and was considered a model program.
 - Institutional financial support to university athletics has not changed. The increase in the budget is due to the reporting of the waivers.
 - The financial reporting format has changed to conform with other WAC institutions and it more accurately reflects what the university is spending on athletes.
 - BCS bowl game attended by Boise State has increased funding to USU this last year.
 - The WAC has insisted that we guarantee that the institutional support be increased by 7% in each of the next three years in order to remain in the conference.

John Kras motioned to place the Athletic Council Report on the Consent Agenda for the December 3, 2007 Faculty Senate meeting. Steve Burr seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

2. **EPC Report** – Steven Hanks presented items for Faculty Senate approval. Key points are: laptop computer requirement for a Department of Journalism and Communication course; referral of concurrent enrollment concerns to state committees; request from HASS to offer a Bachelor of Interior Design degree; change in university policy regarding the articulation of the International Baccalaureate Degree; and quarter to semester hour conversion. The complete report is posted on the EPC website: www.usu.edu/fseante/epc/curriculum.

Ed Heath motioned to place the EPC Report on the Consent Agenda item of the December 3, 2007 Faculty Senate meeting. John Kras seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

3. **Information Technology Policies** – Bob Bayn represented Vice President Jeppesen to share five policy proposals that the university is working on. They include the Appropriate Use Policy, Bulk E-Mail Policy, Computer Management Policy, Wireless Technology Policy, and Banner ID Privacy Policy. The committee working on these policies includes department heads, faculty, staff, and assistants. The IT staff, a network managers group, a user advisory committee, and other campus organizations have reviewed the draft. The committee would like the support of the Faculty Senate and welcome suggestions for modifications before they are implemented.

John Kras motioned to accept this item as Information to the Senate. Pat Lambert seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Key Issues and Action Items

1. **PRPC Items** – Due to the time constraint of today's meeting, the executive committee passed the motion to move the PRPC items to the November 19, 2007 meeting.
2. **Consent Agenda – Discussion of PRPC Second Readings** – Doug Ramsey asked the committee how they preferred the PRPC second reading items to be placed on the Faculty Senate Agenda. The decision was to keep second readings on the Consent Agenda because the senate has the ability to extract individual items on a case by case basis.

Adjournment

John Kras motioned to adjourn the meeting. Doug Ramsey seconded the motion; meeting adjourned at 4:27p.m. The Executive Committee of the Faculty Forum met immediately afterwards.

Minutes Submitted by: Andi McCabe, Faculty Senate Executive Secretary, 797-1166