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FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Champ Hall Conference Room

19 September 2005

3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

AGENDA

3:00 Call to Order

Approval of Minutes from [15 August 2005](#)

Announcements

Wellness at USU—Lindsey Lovell

3:10 University Business

3:20 Information Items for Consent Agenda

[EPC Business](#)—Joyce Kinkad

[Faculty Evaluations Committee](#)—Mike Lyons

[Libraries Advisory Council](#)—Lisa Berreau

[ASUSU](#)—Spencer Watts

[Graduate Council](#)—Larry Smith

[Honorary Degrees and Commencement Speaker](#)—Gary Straquadine

3:40 Key Issues and Action Items

Resolution supporting inauguration—Derek Mason

Faculty Senate Curriculum Task Force —Derek Mason

Senate's input on Provost Search—Derek Mason

4:20 New Business

Reports on caucus meetings

4:30 Adjournment

MINUTES

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Minutes

15 August 2005

Present: Stan Albrecht, Paul Barr (for Gary Merkley), Stephen Bialkowski, Lynn Dudley, John Kras, Pat Lambert, Derek Mason, Brent Miller, Rob Morrison, Shawn Olsen, David Paper (for David Luthy)

Excused: Noelle Cockett, Bruce Miller, Doug Ramsey

Presenters: Shelley Lindauer, Scott Meitchen, Renee Payne, Linda Wolcott

Guests: Terry Hodges

Derek Mason called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.

Stephen Bialkowski moved to accept the 17 April 2005 minutes as written. The motion seconded by John Kras, passed unanimously.

Announcements

Review of FSEC: FSEC prepares the agenda for the Senate meeting, proposes standing and special committees to the Senate, examines work of Senate committees, works as a steering committee and liaison, and puts together faculty senate handbook. Executive members are caucus leaders, and hold caucus with all senators once per semester.

Brown Bag Lunches with President Albrecht are scheduled September 14, October 21, November 10, and December 5.

University Business

Stan Albrecht presented University Business.

Legislative Agenda: Compensation was key. Last year 2.5% from state funds and 1.5% from tier two and we would like to see this again. State revenue looks good and USU will hopefully get around 3% (estimate) increase this year with the main focus on salary increases and less attention on health benefits side of compensation package.

Retention: USU was given \$2.25 million from the legislator for faculty and staff retention. Provost has gone through a comprehensive process to review with the deans and department heads the allocation model. The \$360 thousand will be allocated January 1st and \$60 thousand will be held back for special cases over the course of the next academic year. USU is using funds to position itself with strong faculty who are comfortable and will stay off the job market, thus working from the front end.

Non-Resident Tuition Waiver: Impacts of House Bill 331 drastically affected USU. USU's primary out-of-state markets are Eastern Idaho and Southwestern Wyoming