

Academic Senate Faculty Caucus Minutes
October 22, 2008
(Approved)

Call to Order

Senate Chairperson Dan Holland called the meeting to order immediately following the Academic Senate meeting.

Approval of Faculty Caucus Minutes of September 24, 2008

Motion: By Senator Fazel, seconded by Senator Mallory, to approve the Faculty Caucus Minutes of September 24, 2008. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Council on General Education Faculty Election

Motion: By Senator Borg, seconded by Senator Stewart, to elect Shari Zeck as the College of Fine Arts representative on the Council on General Education. The Faculty Caucus unanimously acclaimed Professor Zeck as the CFA CGE representative. She replaces Professor Aduonum who is on sabbatical; and her term of service will be 2008-10.

Parking and Transportation Advisory Board Faculty Election (1 Vacancy; Term 2008-11)

Senator Holland: We have a vacancy on the Parking and Transportation Board. We have no nominees for that right now. Would anyone like to volunteer?

Senator Borg: How frequently does this group meet? I think that might be a condition if anyone of us is considering taking part in that. I hesitate to offer my own services unless I know what the obligations are going to be.

Senator Glascock: What does this board actually do?

Senator Holland: Do we have a description of it?

Ms. James: It is not an External Committee of the Senate, so we don't have a description of its functions.

Senator Holland: It is mainly an advisory board.

Senator Glascock: So it doesn't hear disputes?

Senator Holland: No, I don't believe so.

Senator Glascock: I know that there is some board that does hear disputes.

Senator Borg: I would doubt that it is this one. This board is advisory to the people who make policy, which is an administrative function in the Vice President of Finance and Planning Office and I am assuming that this is the committee that solicits input from the broad university community.

Ms. James: I can find out about the board's functions and perhaps we can bring this back at the next meeting.

Senator Holland: We can certainly defer this until next time.

Senator Wang: Has any Senate member served on this committee.

Senator Borg: You have the list of members on the back of the ballot. Thomas Schambach was a senator who served on the committee until I think last year when he left the Senate.

Senator Holland: The students have a few vacancies, but we need one faculty member. We can defer this until the next meeting and we will try to obtain more information about what the representative actually has to do.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn by Senator Stewart, seconded by Senator, Van der Laan. The motion was unanimously approved.