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UNO Faculty Senate Minutes
Wednesday, May 12, 1999, 1:30 p.m., MBSC Nebraska Room

The Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha met on Wednesday, May 12th, 1999, at 1:30 p.m. in the MBSC Nebraska Room. Presidents Shelton Hendricks and Douglas Paterson presided.

Attendees: Ali, Allen, Bartle, Baum, Bruckner, Carlson, Carroll, Clute, Deichert, DeLone, Diamond, Foster, Francke, Gessaman, Harland, Hendricks, Irvin, Kuhlman, Lee, Maher, Metal-Corbin, Nazem, Newton, Parnell-Smith, Paterson, Rech, Rogers, Shaw, Skrejija, Suzuki, Valle
New Senators: Bacon, Chung, Coyne, Engelmann, Landis, Lehrer, Mitchell, Rajaram, Shroder, Smith, Sobel, Thompson, Tuan
Those Excused: Aschenbrenner, Stergiou
Those Absent: Bradshaw, Brown, Craiger, Krause, Lewis

Guest(s): President L. Dennis Smith, Thirteen UNO faculty members.

Minutes: Senator Hendricks asked for approval of the April 14, 1999, minutes (agenda attachments 1-12). The minutes were approved as submitted.

Officers Reports

President's Report: Senator Shelton Hendricks reported on the following items:

Welcome New 1999-2000 Senators / Terms: 05/12/99 through 05/08/2002

Arts and Sciences (7): Duane Aschenbrenner, Wally Bacon, Joong-Gun Chung, George Engelmann, Shireen Rajaram, John Shroder, Robert Smith

Education (3): Melodee Landis, Carol Mitchell, Franklin Thompson

Fine Arts (1): Sharon Sobel

Public Affairs and Community Service (2): Ann Coyne, Henry Lehrer

External Faculty (1): Christopher Tuan

Executive Committee and Administration Meeting, April 21st

Revised draft of the Issue Resolution and Complaint Procedures for Prohibited Discrimination.

Gender Equity and the Impact of Events: University sponsored events and their promotion/advertising as related to equal opportunity, affirmative action and non-discrimination.

Incomplete Grades

Budget Reallocation

Residence Halls: Handicapped Accessibility

Pathways to Harmony: Senator Hendricks encouraged attendance noting the next session is scheduled for June 16th. Additional sessions will be held throughout the year. Senator Hendricks stated these programs are a good way to get to know staff as well as obtain a better understanding of the university.

Admissions Statistics as of May 1, 1999: Admission Statistics by Level for Fall, 1999,

Applications Received Applicants Admitted:

	1997	1998	1999	1997	1998	1999
Freshman	1,933	2,229	2,664	1,605	1,796	2,178
Transfer	498	527	535	280	252	345
Readmit	157	99	111	118	58	86
Inter Campus	56	43	33	56	43	33
Graduate	751	663	576	318	307	278
TOTAL	3,395	3,561	3,919	2,377	2,456	2,920

President-Elect Report: Senator Douglas Paterson reported on the following items:

Board of Regents UNO Campus Visit, April 30th

Board of Regents Meeting, May 1st: Senator Paterson expressed concern for a book the board is promoting on the new approach for reallocation/re-evaluation of university systems. He is currently reading the book and will remain alert on this issue. Senator Paterson expressed his desire to represent the faculty both on the UNO campus and at Lincoln in an energetic fashion.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Senator Claudette Lee

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Senator Lee presented the April 30, 1999, budget report (agenda attachment 13). Senator Hendricks noted the senate will close out the year in the black.

Vice President's Report: Senator Martha Bruckner

No report.

President Hendricks Relinquishes Floor to Vice President Bruckner

Executive Committee Report: Senator Shelton Hendricks

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Senator Hendricks moved the following:

Resolution 2376, 05/12/99: Executive Committee

WHEREAS, she has presided over meetings of the Executive Committee and Cabinet with skill and patience, and

WHEREAS, her knowledge, insights, and perspectives have always been positive contributions to our deliberations, during her two years as a member of the Executive Committee, and

WHEREAS, she has effectively served as the faculty's representative on the UNO Alumni Board; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha extends to Senator Martha Bruckner its deepest appreciation for her exemplary service as vice president during the 1998-99 academic year.

WHEREAS, she has approached her duties as secretary-treasurer of the faculty senate with care and responsibility, and

WHEREAS, she has brought substance and insight to the deliberation of the Executive Committee and Cabinet, and

WHEREAS, her knowledge and sensitivity have been of significant value to all of our deliberations; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha extends to Senator Claudette Lee its deepest appreciation for his exemplary service as secretary-treasurer of the faculty senate during the 1998-99 academic year.

WHEREAS, for two years he has chaired the Rules Committee with a level of skill and determination that manifests his commitment to the principles of collegiality in a proper functioning of shared governance, and

WHEREAS, his leadership of this committee has contributed to the recruitment of appropriate faculty members to serve on a wide array of university committees, boards, and task forces, too often on short notice demanding complex work with little notice, and

WHEREAS, his advice and perspective within the deliberations of the Executive Committee and Cabinet have been forthright, honest, heartfelt, and valuable; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha extends its deepest appreciation to Senator Arthur Diamond for his exemplary service as chair of the Rules Committee during the 1998-99 academic year.

WHEREAS, as chair of the Cabinet and member of the Executive Committee he has contributed greatly of his wisdom and time to the deliberations of the Executive Committee and Cabinet, and

WHEREAS, Senator Robert Carlson has served for two years with distinction as Chair of the Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare, and

WHEREAS, his committee has addressed numerous complex and sensitive issues requiring extensive commitment of time and effort; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha commends Senator Carlson for his dedicated service to the faculty and the university.

WHEREAS, Senator Jack Newton has for two years served ably and with competence and good will as chair of the Academic and Curricular Affairs Committee and as a valued member of the Cabinet, and

WHEREAS, this is only the most recent in a long line of distinguished service he has rendered to UNOmaha; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha commends Senator Newton for his dedicated service to the faculty and the university and wishes him all the best in his retirement.

WHEREAS, Senator William Clute has served with commitment and expertise as chair of the Educational Resources and Services Committee and as a valued member of the Cabinet, and

WHEREAS, his committee has addressed critical and sensitive issues; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha commends Senator Clute for his dedicated service to the faculty and the university.

WHEREAS, Senator Sheri Rogers has served with competence and genuine concern for the university's future as chair of the Goals and Directions Committee and as a valued member of the Cabinet, and

WHEREAS, she has effectively represented the senate on the Strategic Planning Steering Committee; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha commends Senator Rogers for her dedicated service to the faculty and the university.

WHEREAS, Senator Lynn Harland has served ably as chair of the Professional Development Committee, and

WHEREAS, this committee has addressed issues critical to the functioning of the UNOmaha faculty; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha commends Senator Harland for her dedicated service to the faculty and the university.

WHEREAS, Duane Aschenbrenner has continued to serve with skill and patience as the senate parliamentarian, and

WHEREAS, despite this experience, he elected to join us as a senator; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha commends Duane Aschenbrenner for his dedicated service to the faculty and the university.

WHEREAS, the coordinator of the faculty senate, Sandy Jensen, has managed the office and related senate activities with competence, sensitivity, grace and good humor, and

WHEREAS, she has shown initiative in the development of her computer skills and has used these skills to develop other informational and managerial aids that promote greater operational efficiency in the senate office, and

WHEREAS, she continues to be an indispensable link to the continuity and smooth function of the senate office; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha extends its deepest respect and gratitude to Sandy Jensen for the excellence of her work as coordinator of the faculty senate.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Vice President Bruckner Relinquishes Floor To President Hendricks

Executive Committee Report Continued: Senator Martha Bruckner

Honorary Doctorate: On behalf of the Executive Committee, Senator Bruckner reported three candidates were reviewed and approved for UNOmaha honorary doctorates by Executive Committee and Cabinet on May 5th.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Senator Bruckner moved the following:

Resolution 2377, 05/12/99: Executive Committee

WHEREAS, he has provided excellent leadership in word and action, and

WHEREAS, he has served as a facilitator, a supporter, a role model, and even an inspiration, and

WHEREAS, he has wisely and eloquently represented his colleagues and his university in conversations with the chancellor and vice chancellors, the board of regents, the university president, the legislature, media representatives, and many others, and

WHEREAS, he has dealt with multiple and very diverse topics in a calm, straightforward, and professional manner, and

WHEREAS, he has built a strong working relationship between the faculty and the new leadership of the university, and

WHEREAS, his leadership has helped to position the university for its entrance into the new millennium; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha extends its deep appreciation to Professor Shelton Hendricks for his outstanding service to the faculty and the university as president of the UNO Faculty Senate in both the 1997-98 and 1998-99 academic years.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Standing Committee Reports

Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs: Senator Jack Newton, chair.

No report; the committee did not meet in April.

Committee on Educational Resources and Services: Senator William Clute, chair.

On behalf of the Committee on Educational Resources and Services, Senator Clute presented the April 28, 1999, minutes (agenda attachments 14-15).

Senator Clute reported on the Paul L. Beck Memorial Faculty/Staff Scholarship. Recipient has been selected and notification letters will be sent out shortly. Contributions to the scholarship

On behalf of the Committee on Educational Resources and Services, Senator Clute moved the following:

Resolution 2378, 05/12/99: Committee on Educational Resources and Services

WHEREAS, the University of Nebraska at Omaha is the leader in urban education in the state of Nebraska, and;

WHEREAS, the University has a mission to build understanding and respect in academic and human relationships through diversity, and

WHEREAS, the University of Nebraska at Omaha has reserved the 28 units in the new residence halls which are specially designed for students with disabilities to meet the needs of this constituency; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the UNO Faculty Senate endorses the University's commitment to students with disabilities as a priority group for recruitment for the University Residence Halls, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the UNO Faculty Senate supports the current, expanded effort to recruit current and prospective students with disabilities to fill those rooms which have been designated as accessible, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the UNO Faculty Senate encourages the University to develop a strategy to recruit and retain students with physical disabilities, in which priority for accessible, on-campus housing would be a feature.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare: Senator Robert Carlson, chair.

On behalf of the Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare, Senator Carlson presented the April 28, 1999, minutes (agenda attachment 16).

Senator Carlson reported on the Recent Campus Security Enhancements (agenda attachment 17).

On behalf of the Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare, Senator Carlson moved the following:

Resolution 2379, 05/12/99: Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare moves the approval, with no changes, of the "Issue Resolution and Complaint Procedures for Prohibited Discrimination University of Nebraska at Omaha" document previously submitted at the March 10, 1999 senate meeting.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Committee on Goals and Directions: Senator Sheri Rogers, chair.

On behalf of the Committee on Goals and Directions, Senator Rogers presented the April 28, 1999, minutes (agenda attachments 18-20).

On behalf of the Committee on Goals and Directions, Senator Rogers moved the following:

Resolution 2380, 05/12/99: Committee on Goals and Directions

WHEREAS, the Report of the Task Force on University Outreach is consistent with UNOmaha's Strategic Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Report is also consistent with The Proposal for Lifelong Learning Integration and Facilitation; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate endorses and supports Recommendation Two of the Outreach Report, taking the necessary steps to consider moving out of conferencing and non-UNOmaha sponsored activity, thereby freeing space for alternative uses, given the university provide the necessary transition support.

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Goals and Directions, Senator Rogers moved the following:

Resolution 2381, 05/12/99: Committee on Goals and Directions

WHEREAS, the Report of the Task Force on University Outreach is consistent with UNOmaha's Strategic Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Report is also consistent with The Proposal for Lifelong Learning Integration and Facilitation, and

WHEREAS, the Bachelor of General Studies Degree provides flexibility for students; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate endorses and supports Recommendations Four, Five and Six of the Outreach Report, which address and support the continuation of the Bachelor of General Studies degree.

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Goals and Directions, Senator Rogers moved the following:

Resolution 2382, 05/12/99: Committee on Goals and Directions

WHEREAS, the Report of the Task Force on University Outreach is consistent with UNOmaha's Strategic Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Report is also consistent with The Proposal for Lifelong Learning Integration and Facilitation, and

WHEREAS, Recommendation Nine addresses and reflects the importance of moving ahead on specific community needs, given faculty, staff, and student interest; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate endorses and supports Recommendation Nine of the Outreach Report.

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Goals and Directions, Senator Rogers moved the following:

Resolution 2383, 05/12/99: Committee on Goals and Directions

WHEREAS, the Report of the Task Force on University Outreach is consistent with UNOmaha's Strategic Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Report is also consistent with The Proposal for Lifelong Learning Integration and Facilitation, and

WHEREAS, UNOmaha is currently experiencing difficulties with adequate funding for existing faculty lines; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate questions Recommendation One's call for personnel additions of a director, two consultants, and an additional administrative support person for the Office of Distance Education.

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Goals and Directions, Senator Rogers moved the following:

Resolution 2384, 05/12/99: Committee on Goals and Directions

WHEREAS, the Report of the Task Force on University Outreach is consistent with UNOmaha's Strategic Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Report is also consistent with The Proposal for Lifelong Learning Integration and Facilitation, and

WHEREAS, the organizational structure of academic affairs is important to the delivery of quality academic programs which is of significant faculty concern; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate requests future reviews similar to that conducted by the Task Force on University Outreach include significant faculty representation.

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Goals and Directions, Senator Rogers moved the following:

Resolution 2385, 05/12/99: Committee on Goals and Directions

WHEREAS, the Report of the Task Force on University Outreach is consistent with UNOmaha's Strategic Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Report is also consistent with The Proposal for Lifelong Learning Integration and Facilitation, and

WHEREAS, the first goal of UNOmaha is the student, and his/her learning, and

WHEREAS, Recommendation One discusses primarily hardware issues, and

WHEREAS, the assigned location of the Office of Distance Education Support within UNO TV/Radio seemingly further echoes the importance given the delivery rather than the curriculum delivered, and

WHEREAS, Recommendation One fails to address the importance of curriculum integration and its importance; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate questions Recommendation One and its focus on hardware, without adequately addressing the notion that technology is a tool of curriculum, not the other way around, as the Recommendation appears to read.

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Goals and Directions, Senator Rogers moved the following:

Resolution 2386, 05/12/99: Committee on Goals and Directions

WHEREAS, the organizational structure of academic affairs is important to the delivery of quality academic programs which is of significant faculty concern; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate requests that future reviews similar to that conducted by the Task Force on University Outreach, include significant faculty representation.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Committee on Professional Development: Senator Lynn Harland, chair.

On behalf of the Committee on Professional Development, Senator Harland presented the April 28, 1999, minutes (agenda attachment 21).

On behalf of the Committee on Professional Development, Senator Harland moved the following:

Resolution 2387, 05/12/99: Committee on Professional Development

BE IT RESOLVED, that the faculty senate thanks the Center for Faculty Development, the University Committee on the Advancement of Teaching, and the teaching circle participants for their involvement in the 1998/1999 teaching circles. The faculty senate also thanks Chancellor Belck and Vice-Chancellor Hodgson for supporting the teaching circle initiative. The faculty senate encourages Chancellor Belck and Vice-Chancellor Hodgson to support future teaching circle initiatives.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Committee on Rules: Senator Arthur Diamond, chair.

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond presented the April 28, 1999, minutes (agenda attachment 22).

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond moved the following:

Resolution 2388, 05/12/99: Committee on Rules

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names (11) go forward as three-year appointments from 07/01/99, through 06/30/2002, to the Adjudicatory Panel to replace Ann Antlfinger, Maria Arbelaez, Joe Bertinetti, Judy Harrington, Deborah Irvin, Claudette Lee, Dan Sullivan, Joe Valades, Yvonne Tixier y Vigil, William Wakefield and Karen Wicklund:

Ann Antlfinger (re-appointed)
Maria Arbelaez (re-appointed)
Joseph Bertinetti (re-appointed)
Jayaram Betanabhatla (replaced Dan Sullivan)
Judy Harrington (re-appointed)
Deborah Irvin (re-appointed)
Claudette Lee (re-appointed)
Sheryl McGlamery (replaced Joe Valades)
Lotfollah Najjar (replaced Yvonne Tixier y Vigil)
Beth Ritter (replaced William Wakefield)
Glenn Sowell (replaced Karen Wicklund)

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond moved the following:

Resolution 2389, 05/12/99: Committee on Rules

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward as two-year appointments from 07/01/99, through 06/30/2001, to the Chancellor's Commission on Multicultural Affairs to replace Shireen Rajaram (A&S) and Fuad Abdullah (BA):

Maria Arbelaez, A&S (replaced Shireen Rajaram)
Tej Adidam, BA (replaced Fuad Abdullah)

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond moved the following:

Resolution 2390, 05/12/99: Committee on Rules

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following name go forward as a three-year appointment from 07/01/99, through 06/30/2002, to the University Committee on Computer Usage to replace James Akers, Leah Pietron, Dennis Roncek, and Glenn Sowell:

James Akers (re-elected)
Robert Egan (replaced Dennis Roncek)
Jeffrey Johnson (replaced Glenn Sowell)
Leah Pietron (re-elected)

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond moved the following:

Resolution 2391, 05/12/99: Committee on Rules

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following name go forward as a three-year appointment from 07/01/99, through 06/30/2002, to the University Committee on Facilities Planning to replace Otto Bauer:

Jack Armitage

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond moved the following:

Resolution 2392 05/12/99: Committee on Rules

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following names go forward as three-year appointments from 07/01/99, through 06/30/2002, to the University Committee on Safety to replace Frederic Laquer and Frances Thurber:

Frederic Laquer (re-elected)
Josie Metal-Corbin

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond moved the following:

Resolution 2393 05/12/99: Committee on Rules

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following tenured representatives have been elected by ballot vote of all full-time UNO faculty to serve three-year terms from April 30, 1999, through April 15, 2002, on the Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee.

Bruce Chase (replaced James Dick)
Michael O'Hara (re-elected)
David Helm (replace Deanna Liddy)

The motion was approved unanimously.

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond moved the following:

Resolution 2394, 05/12/99: Committee on Rules

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following non-tenured representative has been elected by ballot vote of all full-time UNO faculty to complete the remainder of Susan Pendleton's term from April 30, 1999, through April 15, 2001, on the Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee. This representative will serve the stated term to its completion or until receiving tenure, which ever comes first:

Alice Schumaker (complete remainder of Susan Pendleton's term)

The motion was approved unanimously.

1998-99 Standing Committee Members Appointed: Bylaws, Article VI, Committees, Section 1:
"Membership. At the last regular senate meeting of the academic year, the retiring Rules Committee shall submit to the senate for its approval a slate of nominees for university committees and the senate standing

committees. Nominations may be solicited from all segments of the university for membership on university committees. Further nominations may be made from the floor."

On behalf of the Committee on Rules, Senator Diamond moved the following:

Resolution 2395, 05/12/99: Committee on Rules

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

Committee on Academic and Curricular Affairs (6)

John Bartle
James Carroll
Margaret Gessaman
Melodee Landis
Carol Mitchell
Robert Smith

Committee on Educational Resources and Services (6)

Donald Baum
William Clute
Deborah Irvin
Darryll Lewis
James Shaw
Peter Suzuki

Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare (6)

Wilma Kuhlman
Henry Lehrer
Susan Maher
Shireen Rajaram
John Shroder
Christopher Tuan

Committee on Goals and Directions (6)

Hesham Ali
Ann Coyne
E. Terence Foster
Sufi Nazem
Juliette Parnell-Smith
Franklin Thompson

Committee on Professional Development (6)

Chris Allen
Duane Aschenbrenner
Joong-Gun Chung

George Engelmann
Lynn Harland

Committee on Rules (6)

Wally Bacon College of Arts and Sciences
Arthur Diamond College of Business Administration
Josie Metal-Corbin College of Education
Sharon Sobel College of Fine Arts
J. Philip Craiger College of Information Science and Technology
Miriam DeLone College of Public Affairs and Community Service

The motion was approved unanimously.

Other Reports

AAUP: Senator Joseph Brown

Senator Hendricks thanked UNO's AAUP for once again providing refreshment at commencement.

Alumni Association, Board of Directors: Senator Martha Bruckner

No report.

Graduate Council: Senator Arthur Diamond

No report.

Strategic Planning Steering Committee: Senator Sheri Rogers

Senator Rogers reported there was an excellent turnout at the last Advance and that a marvelous discussion of the language of document took place. The last Advance is scheduled for Monday, May 10th, in the Alumni House.

Old Business

None.

For the Good of the Order: Bylaws, Article IV. Senate Agenda., Section 3: "This period of informal, unrecorded discussion is provided to encourage senators to voice opinions on timely issues and shall not normally exceed ten minutes."

New Business

None.

End of 1998-99 Faculty Senate Meeting

Beginning of Transition to 1999-2000 Faculty Senate

Selection of Standing Committee Chairpersons

1998-99 Standing Committees Assemble to Elect 1999-2000 Chairpersons

Appointment of 1999-2000 Committee on Rules Chairperson Bylaws, Article VI, Section 5, Item 5.6: Committee on Rules. Soon after the last regular senate meeting of the academic year, the incoming president shall appoint a member of the committee as chairperson. This senator shall also serve on the Executive Committee and Cabinet. Senator Paterson, President-Elect, announced Senator DeLone as chair of the Committee on Rules.

1998-99 Committee Members Select Chairs: Bylaws, Article VI, Section 1: "At a recess during the last regular senate meeting of the academic year, each retiring standing committee shall meet and select a continuing member to chair the committee for the subsequent year. Standing committee chairpersons must be members of the senate."

External Faculty Cannot Hold Office: Constitution, Article III, Election of Officers: "These external faculty senators may not become senate officers, senate standing committee chairs or vice chairs, nor may they chair any ad hoc senate committees."

Officers/Chairs/Vice Chairs Must Commit To Meeting Year Round: Constitution, Article IV. Organization of the Senate (Paragraph Seven): "The senate shall hold at least one regular meeting at a stated time each month during the academic year. In the months of June and July, the Executive Committee and Cabinet (the chairs of the standing committees) shall meet in lieu of the senate and will attend to any matters of faculty interest and responsibility. All decisions taken by the Executive Committee and Cabinet under this grant of authority must be presented to the senate at its next regular meeting and a motion of approval voted upon. In addition, special meetings may be convened at any time by the senate president's initiative and shall be convened by the president or, in the president's absence, the vice-president: 1. when requested by the chancellor; 2. when requested in writing by seven senators and submitted to the president; 3. when requested by written petition of at least ten percent of the faculty members and submitted to the president."

1999-2000 Chairpersons: New chairs come forward immediately and report election results to the senate president and coordinator. When the selection process is complete the president announces the names of the new chairs.

John Bartle Academic and Curricular Affairs
William Clute Educational Resources and Services
Susan Maher Faculty Personnel and Welfare
Sufi Nazem Goals and Directions
Chris Allen Professional Development
Miriam DeLone Rules

Recognition of Cabinet and Appointment of 1999-2000 Cabinet Chair Bylaws, Article VI., Section 3: "Cabinet of the Faculty Senate. The Cabinet of the faculty senate shall be composed of the chairpersons of the standing committees. The faculty president shall appoint one of the members of the Cabinet as chairperson, and the chairperson shall be a member of the Executive Committee."

William Clute, Cabinet chair.

Change of Senate Membership

1998-99 Retiring Senators: President thanks senators for their service and excuses them. Retiring senators are welcome to stay for the rest of the meeting, however, they are to leave the senate table and relocate to the extra seating. Retiring senators may keep their name tents.

1999-2000 New Senators: President welcomes new senators and invites them to the senate table. Bylaws, Article II, Section 7: "Elected senators shall assume their duties at an officially designated point during the last senate meeting of the academic year in which they are elected and shall hold office until the corresponding point in the last meeting of the academic year in which their successors are elected. Prior to the vote for officers for the following year, newly elected senators shall replace senators whose terms have expired."

President-Elect Assumes Office

Constitution, Article IV, Organization of the Senate: "The president shall first serve as president-elect for a term beginning at the first regularly scheduled meeting of the spring semester, which will be followed by a regular one-year term as president beginning at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the academic year. The president-elect shall be elected at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the fall semester from among the membership of the senate. The president may serve successive terms through re-election, in which case there will be no president-elect for that spring semester and no past-president until the incumbent president completes his or her final term." Senator Paterson shared his feelings that it is both an honor and a distinction to be part of something as worthwhile as the faculty senate. He pledged to do all he can to serve the faculty and the senate during the coming year.

Election of New Officers

Constitution, Article III, Election of Officers: "After election results have been approved, senators shall themselves elect the officers of the senate except for the president, who shall be elected as provided in Article IV of this constitution. A simple majority of votes eligible to be cast shall be sufficient to elect each officer. ... These external faculty senators may not become senate officers, senate standing committee chairs or vice chairs, nor may they chair any ad hoc senate committees."

Officers/Chairs/Vice Chairs Must Commit To Meeting Year Round: Constitution, Article IV, Organization of the Senate (Paragraph Seven): "The senate shall hold at least one regular meeting at a stated time each month during the academic year. In the months of June and July, the Executive Committee and Cabinet (the chairs of the standing committees) shall meet in lieu of the senate and will attend to any matters of faculty interest and responsibility. All decisions taken by the Executive Committee and Cabinet under this grant of authority must be presented to the senate at its next regular meeting and a motion of approval voted upon. In addition, special meetings may be convened at any time by the senate president's initiative and shall be convened by the president or, in the president's absence, the vice-president: 1. when requested by the chancellor; 2. when requested in writing by seven senators and submitted to the president; 3. when requested by written petition of at least ten percent of the faculty members and submitted to the president."

Vice President: Constitution, Article IV., Organization of the Senate: "The vice-president shall serve a term of one year, assuming office at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the academic year. The vice-president shall be elected from among the membership of the senate. The person serving in this office may serve successive terms through re-election."(1) nomination(s) made from floor: Senator Clute nominated Senator Rech. There were no other nominations. Senator Rech was introduced.(2) nomination(s) seconded: The motion was seconded.(3) vote taken: The motion passed unanimously.(4) president announces new vice president: Senator Rech was recognized and congratulated.

Secretary-Treasurer: Constitution, Article IV., Organization of the Senate: "The secretary-treasurer shall serve a term of one year, assuming office at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the academic year. The secretary-treasurer shall be elected from among the membership of the senate. The person serving in this office may be re-elected for successive terms." (1) nomination(s) made from floor: Senator Clute nominated Senator Ali. There were no other nominations.(2) Senator Ali was introduced. (3) nomination(s) seconded: The nomination was seconded.(4) vote taken: The motion passed unanimously. (5) president announces new secretary-treasurer: Senator Ali was recognized and congratulated.

Appointment of Parliamentarian Constitution, Article IV., Organization of the Senate: "The president shall appoint a parliamentarian, who need not be a member of the senate."

Selection of Standing Committee Vice Chairs

1999-2000 Standing Committees: Committees assemble and select vice chairs.

External Faculty Cannot Hold Office: Constitution, Article III, Election of Officers: "These external faculty senators may not become senate officers, senate standing committee chairs or vice chairs, nor may they chair any ad hoc senate committees."

Officers/Chairs/Vice Chairs Must Commit To Meeting Year Round: Constitution, Article IV. Organization of the Senate (Paragraph Seven): "The senate shall hold at least one regular meeting at a stated time each month during the academic year. In the months of June and July, the Executive Committee and Cabinet (the chairs of the standing committees) shall meet in lieu of the senate and will attend to any matters of faculty interest and responsibility. All decisions taken by the Executive Committee and Cabinet under this grant of authority must be presented to the senate at its next regular meeting and a motion of approval voted upon. In addition, special meetings may be convened at any time by the senate president's initiative and shall be convened by the president or, in the president's absence, the vice-president: 1. when requested by the chancellor; 2. when requested in writing by seven senators and submitted to the president; 3. when requested by written petition of at least ten percent of the faculty members and submitted to the president."

1998-99 Vice Chairs: New vice chairs come forward immediately and report election results to the senate president and coordinator. When the selection process is complete the president announces the names of the new vice chairs.

Margaret Gessaman Academic and Curricular Affairs
James Shaw Educational Resources and Services
Wilma Kuhlman Faculty Personnel and Welfare
Juliette Parnell-Smith Goals and Directions
George Engelmann Professional Development
Wally Bacon Rules

Executive Committee (Officers) and Cabinet (Chairs) Meets Year Round Constitution, Article IV. Organization of the Senate (Paragraph Seven): "The senate shall hold at least one regular meeting at a stated time each month during the academic year. In the months of June and July, the Executive Committee and Cabinet (the chairs of the standing committees) shall meet in lieu of the senate and will attend to any matters of faculty interest and responsibility. All decisions taken by the Executive Committee and Cabinet under this grant of authority must be presented to the senate at its next regular meeting and a motion of approval voted upon."

Last Meeting for Non-Officers/Non-Chairs Until August Retreat: Reminder, this is the last senate meeting until the annual retreat in August per the senate constitution, Article IV, Organization of the Senate (paragraph 7): "The senate shall hold at least one regular meeting at a stated time each month during the academic year. In the months of June and July, the Executive Committee and Cabinet (the chairs of the standing committees) shall meet in lieu of the senate and will attend to any matters of faculty interest and responsibility. All decisions taken by the Executive Committee and Cabinet under this grant of authority must be presented to the senate at its next regular meeting and a motion of approval voted upon."

Faculty Senate/Staff Advisory Council Banquet Reminder: All retiring, returning and newly elected senators were invited to the annual banquet. Reservations were required by Monday, May 3rd. Below is a copy of the Belck's invitation: "Chancellor Nancy and Jack Belck invite you and your guest to join them for a Reception and Dinner honoring the UNO Faculty Senate and UNO Staff Advisory Council, Wednesday, May 12, 1999, Reception 6:30 p.m. -- Nebraska Room, Dinner 7:15 p.m. -- Ballroom, Milo Bail Student Center."

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudette Lee
Secretary-Treasurer