

## FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

December 6, 2011

*Academic Library*

*12:30-2:00pm*

**Members Present:** Philip Cronce, Anser Azim, Alecia Richardson, Elizabeth Arnott-Hill, Tonya Hall, Elizabeth Wittbrodt, Barbara Price, Kathy Rosa, Marian Perkins, Chandra Cabraal, Eddy H. Gaytan, Soo Kang, Sabita Busch, June N. Price Shingles (representing Sarah Buck), Tiffay Davis (representing Judy Birgen), Behrooz Saghafi, Robert Bionaz, John Erickson, Yan Searcy, Phillip Beverly, Gabrielle Toth, Sharon O'Donnell, Athanase Gehunga

**Visitors:** Debrah Jefferson, Derrick Collins, David Kanis, Sandra Westbrooks, Rich Darga

### I. Welcome and Introductions/Check-in

Yan Searcy opened the meeting at 12:40pm with introductions.

### II. Review and approval of minutes (May 2k11 & September 2k11)

Sen. Bionaz proposed to table the minutes, requesting that we follow Robert's Rules of Order in recording minutes for the sessions.

**MOTION: Table the minutes.**

**PASSED: 20 Yea, 0 Nay, 2 Abstain**

**MOTION: Follow the rules for Roberts' Rule of Order in producing the minutes for the Faculty Senate Sessions.**

**PASSED: 20 Yea, 0 Nay, 2 Abstain**

Searcy reminded the body to follow proper decorum during sessions and in the future we will respond to questionable conduct immediately.

### III. Committee Reports

#### a. Board of Athletics Advisors

The committee submitted a report to the Faculty Senate. June N. Price-Shingles presented the report and discussed the suggestions from the report. She also invited members of the Faculty Senate to become members of the committee.

**MOTION: To accept the BAA report**

**PASSED: 18 Yea, 0 Nay, 3 Abstain**

#### b. Committees on Committees Revisited

Searcy began the discussion with concern in housing all reports in one central location. Discussion occurred with Liz Osika to house all committee reports to CRTE. Rosa suggested we house the materials in the library. Searcy welcomed senators to participate in effectively making this transition work.

Sen. Cronce proposed constituting the Elections Committee as per the Faculty Senate *bylaws*, expressing the need to monitor our representation on committees.

Discussion on this motion included discussions on “operationalizing” and “mechanizing” the actions of this committee. Sen. Cronce provided examples of implementation of this committee including filling in empty positions on committees.

However, in defense against the motion included points about the President of Faculty Senate is ex-officio of all committees. Stressing due process, a formal letter to the chair of a committee would be more effective.

In the discussion, there was a concern about the purpose of this committee would be to eliminate members of committees. However, Senator Cronce explained that the Election Committee intent is not to eliminate members of committees but would have the power to appoint a chair to a committee.

**MOTION: Whereas the Faculty Senate of Chicago State University “ may create such standing and special committees and councils as it deems necessary to the exercise of its powers and responsibilities. The Faculty Senate shall determine the powers, duties, and organization of each of such committee and council. (Senate Bylaws, Article IV)**

**The Faculty Senate shall create an “Elections Committee” for the purpose of monitoring all faculty elections and appointments to university bodies where their expertise or standing is required.**

**FAILED: 32% Yea, 45% Nay, 23% Abstain**

**c. Gen Ed**

Senator Cronce submitted a motion requesting a University-wide General Election for the GEC.

**MOTION: The vote by the Faculty Senate at the previous meeting to approve the General Education assessment outcomes be rescinded pending their submission to the UCCC as required by the Senate’s own *Bylaws* and the *Bylaws* of the University General Education Committee.**

**FAILED: 7 Yea, 12 Nay, 5 Abstain**

**d. UCCC**

Senator Cronce explained the status the UCCC and confirmed that the committee met recently. He submitted the UCCC report.

**MOTION: To accept the UCCC report**

**PASSED: 19 Yea, 1 Nay, 5 Abstain**

President Searcy thanked Sen. Cronce for stepping up and chairing the committee.

**e. Buildings and Grounds Committee**

President Searcy, chair of this committee, discussed the status of the campus’s buildings and grounds with emphasis on Williams Science Center and the roads and parking on campus.

**MOTION: To accept the written report from the Building and Grounds Committee**

**PASSED: unanimously**

**Beverly motioned to go into Executive Session with unanimous consent.**

*SESSION CONDUCTED, MINUTES CATALOGED.*

*MOTION to move out of executive session and adjourn was APPROVED by VP Beverly with no objection at 2:05.*

**f. Commencement**

Commencement speaker Christine Houston was confirmed and gave her credentials. Searcy is Grand Marshalling commencement and asked members of the Faculty Senate to consider marshalling.

NO ACTION

**IV. Board of Trustees Report**

NO ACTION

**V. Performance Base**

NO ACTION

**VI. Old Business**

**a. 2012 Agenda Setting**

NO ACTION

**VII. Open**

NO ACTION

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm by Vice-President Phillip Beverly.

Respectfully submitted by William Jason Raynovich