

USI Faculty Senate Minutes

18 March 2016

Senators present: Brandon Field, Joanne Artz, Shannon Pritchard, Rob Millard-Mendez, Nick LaRowe, Peggy Shields, Chad Milewicz, Marilyn Ostendorf, Mary Doerner, Jason Fertig, Chuck Conaway, Cindy Deloney, Mary Kay Arvin, Rex Strange

Visitors present: Shelly Blunt (Provost's Office), Gabi Wy (Shield), Amy Chan-Hilton (CETL), Alexa Bueltel (SGA), Ashley Wright (SGA), Ben Luttrull (News and Information Services)

- Called to Order, 2:03pm
- Motion to approve minutes
 - Unanimously approved with abstention.
- Chair's Report:
 - Clutterbox issue was addressed Richard Toeniskoetter in the Shield; thank you to both Richard and Gabi for bringing that to everyone's attention.
 - Received a call from Dr. Rochon regarding the Amendment to the Bylaws; he is out sick today and would like to be a part of the discussion before a vote is made.
- No provost report from Shelly.
- SGA President: Alexa Bueltel. SGA passed a resolution last year about the finals schedule for graduating seniors.
 - Jason Fertig and Nick LaRowe will compose a recommendation that the Faculty Senate can send to the President's Office to ask for a University-wide Calendar committee to be convened to develop a new academic calendar that addresses the finals schedule and the unequal numbers of lecture days between the Spring and Fall semesters.
- University Promotions Committee:
 - This was on the agenda for a vote today. It was tabled.
- Assessment of Auxiliary Units charge
 - Motion made by Brandon to send this charge to the President's Council. Rob seconded. Motion was passed unanimously.
- Next meeting: April Fool's Day. UC 206.
- Meeting adjourned 3:36pm. Unanimously approved with one abstention.