Call to order

Approval of the minutes of October 3, 2013

Report of the Executive Committee

Remarks by the Chancellor

Scheduled remarks:
  1. Vice Chancellor Jerry Fife
  2. Mike Zimmerman, Program Coordinator, Office of the University Chaplain & Religious Life

Old Business
  1. Motion resubmitted by Senators Kathryn Anderson, Mark Cannon, Claire Smrekar, and Myrna Wooders

Good of the Senate

Adjournment

Voting Members present: Anderson, K, Balser, Barth, Blume, Brady, Cannon, Dever, Fauchet, Greer, Hall, Johnson, Johnston, Jrade, Lind, Marcus, Maroney, Mulvaney, Nanney, Niswender, Norman, Powers, Price, Ramsey, Reside, Slayton, Smrekar, Spottswood, Steiger, Tellinghuisen, Tsinakis, Wooders, Wright, Ziegler.

Voting Members absent: Anderson, A, Barnes, Bachelorowski, Benbow, Clark, Creech, Delpire, Driskill, Enterline, Fogo (regrets), Folgarait (regrets), Fountain (regrets), Gigante, Gokhale (regrets), Guelcher (regrets), Guthrie (regrets), Hasty (regrets), Hemingway, Hurder (regrets), Johnson, E (regrets), Johnson, J (regrets), Kennedy (regrets), Kirshner (regrets), Lim (regrets), Mihalik (regrets), Ramanujam, Rohde, Schoenfield, Tarpley (regrets), Townes, Wait (regrets), Watters (regrets), Wayman, Wehby (regrets), Willis, Wittig, Wright-Rios.


Ex Officio Members absent: Bernard, Hall, Lutz, March (regrets), Miller, Raiford, Stalcup, Williams.
Call to order

Chair Brady called the meeting to order at 4:15pm.

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The minutes of the last meeting were distributed ahead of time, and they were approved as corrected.

Report of the Executive Committee

Chair Brady gave the report of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee has had regular meetings with university leadership. The committee received an update from the Senate subcommittees as to their progress in working through their charges. The committee has had a discussion with John Lutz regarding his vision of information technology for Vanderbilt and related faculty issues, as well as a discussion with Ginny Shepherd regarding faculty and the NCAA. The committee discussed future meeting agendas. No actions taken at Executive Committee meetings. The committee is supportive of the resolution regarding student safety and security being brought to the November Senate meeting.

Chair Brady moved that Senator Alex Hurder serve as the Senate Parliamentarian for the year. The motion was adopted.

Remarks by the Chancellor

Chancellor Zeppos gave his report.

Scheduled remarks:

3. Vice Chancellor Jerry Fife—Vice Chancellor Fife gave his report.
4. Mike Zimmerman, Program Coordinator, Office of the University Chaplain & Religious Life and Kayce Matthews, Associate Director, Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center: Mike Zimmerman and Kayce Matthews gave their report on the Green Dots program.

Old Business

2. Motion resubmitted by Senators Kathryn Anderson, Mark Cannon, Claire Smrekar, and Myrna Wooders

Senators Kathryn Anderson, Mark Cannon, Claire Smrekar, and Myrna Wooders submitted a revision of the motion that was sent to committee for review at the last meeting. Senator Smrekar moved adoption of the resolution below:
Proposed Faculty Senate Resolution on Student Safety and Security (10/29/13)

Whereas the issues of personal violence and public safety are of paramount importance to the entire Vanderbilt University community, including its Faculty and

Whereas creating a Vanderbilt campus culture that is safe, secure and welcoming, with freedom from fear and respect for the rights of others, is a critical and urgent priority

In a spirit of mutual respect for and unity with all Vanderbilt stakeholders, especially Students, Faculty and Staff

The Vanderbilt Faculty Senate hereby affirms the significant initiatives taken by the Vanderbilt Administration thus far to ensure the safety and security of our students, especially the efforts of the Office of the Dean of Students and particularly the Green Dots and PETSA programs.

We also propose that Faculty Senate join with other campus organizations and initiatives in a continuous, committed and comprehensive effort to implement a strategy of personal safety and violence prevention.

More specifically, we propose:

1. Recommending Faculty Senators participate in a Vanderbilt University Personal Empowerment Through Self Awareness (VU PETSA) training module for faculty, “in response to new obligations on colleges and universities under the Campus Sexual Violence Act (SaVE Act) provision of the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA) signed into law on March 7, 2013”;

2. Joining in a formal partnership with the Green Dots Program by having one Faculty Senate representative per year serve as a Green Dot Committee member;

3. Recommending that existing University Task Forces (including the Campus Improvement Team) that deal with issues related to personal violence and sexual assault report their findings to Faculty Senate once per year and/or as requested by Faculty Senate;
4. Encouraging all academic departments to join in formal discussions with designated student advocates and student affairs professional staff for the purpose of better understanding the issues associated with sexual assault and providing appropriate, high quality support for sexual assault survivors.

The motion was adopted after debate.

**Good of the Senate**

Chair Brady asked for any news under Good of the Senate. A senator asked for the minutes sooner in advance of the meeting where they will be approved, and for Vice Chancellor Fife’s slides to be posted on the Senate website.

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 5:25pm.