Vanderbilt University
Faculty Senate Meeting
May 1, 2014, 4:10 p.m.
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Call to order

Approval of the minutes of April 10, 2014

Report of the Executive Committee

Remarks by the Chancellor & Recognition of Third-Year Senators

Old Business
   1. Motion to amend the Rules of Order (Executive Committee)

New Business
   1. Election of Chair-Elect and Vice Chair-Elect of the Faculty Senate
   2. Discussion of Committee Reports
      a. Online Education Task Force Report—Senator Ranga Ramanujam,
         Task Force Chair

Good of the Senate

Adjournment to reception

Voting Members present: Anderson, Adam; Anderson, K.; Barnes; Barth; Benbow;
Blume; Brady; Cannon; Clark; Creech; Delpire; Fountain; Gigante; Gokhale; Greer; Hall,
D.; Hemingway; Hurder; Johnson; E.; Johnson, J.; Johnson, R.; Johnston; Jrade;
Kennedy; Kirshner; Lim; Lind; Marcus; Mihalik; Mulvaney; Nanney; Niswender;
Powers; Price; Ramanujam; Ramsey; Reside; Rohde; Schoenfield; Steiger; Tarpley;
Tellinghuisen; Watters; Wayman; Wehby; Willis; Wittig; Wooders; Wright-Rios;
Ziegler.

Voting Members absent: Bachorowski, Balser, Berk-Seligson, Dever (regrets), Driskill,
Enterline, Fauchet, Fogo (regrets), Guelcher, Guthrie, Hasty (regrets), Maroney, Norman,
Slayton (regrets), Smrekar, Spottswood (regrets), Townes, Tsinakis, Wait, Wright
(regrets).

Ex Officio Members present: Anderson, Audrey; Bandas; Cyrus; Fife; Hall, A.; Lutz;
March; McNamara; Sweet; Zeppos.

Ex Officio Members absent: Bernard (regrets), Dowell, Fortune, McCarty (regrets),
Miller (regrets), Raiford, Stalcup, Wcislo, Williams.
Call to order

Chair Donald Brady called the meeting to order.

Approval of the minutes of April 10, 2014

There was a motion to approve the minutes from the April 2014 senate meeting. The motion was seconded. The motion was adopted and the minutes were approved.

Report of the Executive Committee

Chair Brady gave the report of the Executive Committee (EC):

The EC has had regular meetings with university leadership and discussed with them Greek Life, the administrative search processes underway or about to begin (including Provost and Dean of Libraries), follow-up on the Parental Leave Policy, and the April Board of Trusts meeting. The EC followed up with Cathy Fuchs for the gender breakdown on persons who use the PCC; for 2013-2014, it was 61% female and 39% male. For 2012-2013, the breakdown was 57% female and 42% male. The EC received an update on the composition of the ad hoc Committee of Faculty Manual Update and Revisions, which now has 6 members on the committee; the EC decided to leave it at that number and allow the committee itself to decide if it needs to add additional members. The EC discussed the upcoming elections and was pleased to have a nice slate of candidates for both Chair-Elect and Vice Chair-Elect for next year. The EC represented the Faculty Senate at the April Academic Programs/Student Affairs Board of Trusts Committee meeting and presented a summary of the Senate’s work for the year. Finally, the EC discussed transition planning between this and next year’s Executive Committees.

Remarks by the Chancellor & Recognition of Third-Year Senators

Chancellor Zeppos gave his remarks and recognized all third-year senators.

Old Business

1. Motion to amend the Rules of Order (Executive Committee): A motion to change Rules of Order was presented:

“The Executive Committee moves that Senate Rule of Order “I. Authority” be amended to read:

I. AUTHORITY
These rules are promulgated pursuant to the authority granted to the Faculty Senate in Article II,
Chair Brady stated that since this is a motion to amend the Rules of Order, it was brought before the Senate at the April 10, 2014 meeting (at least three calendar weeks before the vote). There was no discussion. The question was called and the motion was adopted.

New Business

1. Election of Chair-Elect and Vice Chair-Elect of the Faculty Senate

Three candidates for Chair-Elect and three candidates for Vice Chair-Elect were on the ballot. Richard Willis was elected Chair-Elect for the next year, and Ann Price was elected Vice Chair-Elect.

2. Discussion of Committee Reports
   a. Online Education Task Force Report—Senator Ranga Ramanujam, Task Force Chair

Senator Ramanujam gave a presentation on the Online Education Task Force’s interim report.

Good of the Senate

None.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.