**NAU Faculty Senate *Meeting Quick Notes* May 5, 2014**

*From notes taken by Susan Harris (Senate Secretary), Charlie Balch (Senator, Yuma) and Kate Ellis (Senator, CAL). These are "quick notes." For detailed minutes, check the senate website after the next meeting.*

**Announcements**

* **Presidential search:** Expect new president soon. Any candidate brought to campus will most likely be the new president. This is an executive search, run differently than a regular faculty search. The Senate webpage has direct link to ABOR/search website.
* **Employee Giving Campaign** continues: Your contribution (to a fund of your choice!) will help attract large outside donors. (*Percentage* of faculty giving is crucial for fundraising.) <http://nau.edu/EGC>
* **Campus Celebration of John D. Haeger’s Presidency:** Faculty invited to celebrate at reception from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, in the High Country Conference Center in Flagstaff. In lieu of gifts, donations suggested to the Presidents’ CCC2NAU Scholarship: <https://alumni.nau.edu/giving.aspx?FNDS=05271>
* **Senate Scholarship awarded** to Marissa Incremona (English)
* New year-long new **faculty orientation** program, “Productive Beginnings,” planned for fall ’14.

***The handouts and materials for the following points can be found on the senate website:*** [***http://nau.edu/Faculty-Senate/Meeting-Handouts/***](http://nau.edu/Faculty-Senate/Meeting-Handouts/)

**Approved:** New Academic Integrity Policy. Sets forth the policy and procedures related to student violations of the principles of academic integrity, provides guidelines for faculty, and outlines responsibilities of students. Specific examples of violations are provided.

**Approved:** Curriculum and Assessment Proposal. The purpose of this proposal is to articulate expectations for curriculum and assessment that are aligned with high-quality student learning, and to modify curriculum and assessment processes to support these expectations. Implementation planning will start this summer, coordinated by ACCA.

**Endorsed:** Intellectual Property (IP) Guidelines, for the current NAU interpretation of the Intellectual Property policy established by the Arizona Board of Regents (6-908) vis-à-vis course material use. That policy articulates that the Board owns all intellectual property created by employees in the course and scope of their employment or with significant use of university resources. The IP Guidelines acknowledge the university’s right of use, but articulate the practices and intentions currently in place at NAU.

**President Haeger** reported new focus of federal government on handling of sexual assault reports on campus; NAU does a lot of preventive programming, HLC events. University presidents are meeting with AZ Commerce Authority to discuss bringing business community and universities together to work on energy conservation projects. Fall enrollment on track to increase a bit.

**Provost Huenneke** reported release of draft “academic planning framework.” (Guidelines and questions for creating new programs or assessing current ones.) Many faculty involved in working groups and town hall meetings. Check out docs on Sharepoint site: <https://sharepoint.nau.edu/sites/academic_planning/default.aspx>

$600K added to Cline Library acquisitions budget. New Cline tech classroom will be online for fall. Explore using it for your classes. Conclusion of SBS dean search: Karen Pugliesi, starting July 1. Vacancy in provost’s office: launch internal search for Vice Provost for Academic Affairs soon; appoint interim dean of University College, full search in fall semester.

**Summer and fall construction** on campus: Lots near the new Athletics and Rec Center. Check themaps (posted on senate website) for partial and full road closures. Expect delays.

**Emergency Textbook Loan Program**:For students who cannot afford textbooks. Piloted this year: 53 students received textbooks. Partnership with Follett will allow expansion of program, increase text rentals, allow more money for course supplies. Faculty or staff may refer students. Less than 48-hour turn around. Summer senate will draft a brief announcement for faculty to include in syllabus.

**Developing Research Faculty:** ABOR expectation to reach 43.6 million in expenditures by 2020 (current: flat around 28-30). Metric for performance funding. Plus NAU is Carnegie “High Research” university. Need to make sure we keep this status. 1. Support current faculty, 2. Create Informatics and Computing program (existing faculty and new hires), 3. Recruit high research faculty with proven track record ($800K).

***Have a wonderful summer!***