**NAU Faculty Senate *Meeting Quick Notes* November 2, 2015**

*These are "quick notes." For detailed minutes, check the Senate BbLearn shell after the next meeting.*

**Announcements**

* Senate dues will remain at $20.00 this year. Letters from Treasurer Natalie Cawood will go out to all faculty with dues forms.
* The December 7th meeting of the Faculty Senate will be abbreviated to allow for an all Faculty Meeting to be held directly after to discuss the proposed changes to the Senate Constitution. The meeting will be held in the Prochnow Auditorium and available via webcast.

**Actions**

* The Senate voted to approve the changes to the COFS document made last year and edited after a review by NAU’s legal counsel.
* The Senate voted to approve the proposed changes to the Capstone.
* The Senate voted to send the Senate’s proposed constitutional changes to the full faculty for their consideration and subsequent vote.

**Provost Coleman**

Provost Coleman spoke to the following:

* ABOR is in the process of adjusting its strategic plan which will include metrics regarding quality. He has asked Bruce Fox to take the lead in creating two task forces. One will look at how we assess/measure our quality of teaching, the other to look at quality in the areas of research and creative activity.
* He has visted eleven departments/units at this time and hopes to visit all this year. He has two goals in mind: to learn what faculty do and what they are proud of and what their expectations are of him and his office. He encouraged faculty to join in the discussions when he visit’s their department.
* The Center for International Education’s search for a new director is underway. They hope to have this completed by late Spring.
* Announcements are expected soon from the IT implementation team.