**NAU Faculty Senate *Meeting Quick Notes* February 22, 2016**

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

**Announcements**

* Astrid Klocke has been appointed to the position on interim Vice President of Extended Campuses.
* The vote on the Senate Constitutional changes passed. The [document](C:\\Users\\bef\\AppData\\Local\\Microsoft\\Windows\\Constitution\\2015-2016 Constitutional Changes\\APPROVED Constitution Proposal from Feb 2016.pdf) will be sent to President Cheng for administrative approval per ABOR policy.

**Actions**

* The Senate voted to approve a [resolution](C:\\Users\\bef\\AppData\\Local\\Microsoft\\Windows\\Resolutions\\NAU FS Resolution- APPROVED AT THE 3-7-11 FS MEETING.doc) objecting to the proposed legislation regarding guns on campus. The resolution contains the same wording as the resolution passed by the Senate in March of 2011.
* A [resolution](C:\\Users\\bef\\AppData\\Local\\Microsoft\\Windows\\Resolutions\\Non-Gender Binary Resolution Approved 22 February 2016.pdf) asking support for transgender medical benefits for employees at all three campuses, was passed by the Senate.
* A motion passed in support of FS President Bruce Fox signing a [letter](C:\\Users\\bef\\AppData\\Local\\Microsoft\\Windows\\MEETING HANDOUTS\\2016\\February 22 FS\\SLM Budget Request Letter without Signatures.docx) to President Cheng encouraging not using herbicides on the university lawns. The letter includes the signatures of other faculty, student, and staff groups on campus.

**President Cheng**

President Cheng spoke to the following:

* Materials from the Leadership Retreat held earlier this month are available on line. Topics discussed included the budget, new programs, and realignments.
* ABOR President Klein and the three university presidents have spent a great deal of time testifying regarding the universities respective budgets and processes.
* Information Technology Chief Information Officer candidates should be on campus soon.
* The job description for the position of Diversity Officer has been put forward for vetting.
* The search committee for a Vice President for International Education is finalizing its list of candidates to those who will visit campus.
* Her office is working on developing proposed tuition costs for the coming year; reducing class fees and include a broader IT fee for students; and holding student forums on pledge rates and fees.

**Provost Coleman**

Provost Coleman spoke to the following:

* He is working on faculty allocations for the next academic year.
* He added to President Cheng’s comments regarding the VP of International Education by noting they had over 90 applications and have their selection now at 10-11 and hope to bring 3-5 of those folks to campus.
* He held a meeting to discuss advising initiatives and retention plans.

**Bookstore Ordering Process**

* Book store order reminders have gone out to faculty. The deadline for ordering for summer semester is March 15th; the fall semester is April 15th.