**Faculty Senate *Meeting Quicknotes* September 9, 2013**

From notes taken by Susan Harris (Secretary), Charlie Balch (Senator, Yuma), and Kate Ellis (Senator, CAL).

Report from Benefits Committee (Bruce Fox)

There will most likely be some changes to benefits. Overall increases will be small. Caps on deductibles will change. Co-pays will go up a little. It appears that NAU will pick-up the changes.

Campaign for NAU “Campus Roadshow” (Mason Gerety)

We’re in campaign, for four years, since July 1, 2009. University Advancement and development directors are aggressively seeking leadership gifts that help the university. Who are the top 100 donors? Most of the gifts are from a very small number of donors. They support students, and by extension, faculty. Just shy of 53 million. Moving into public phase on October 18 at Home Coming. Branding for the campaign is “Only at NAU”. What can someone get here that they can’t get down south? *What can faculty do to help*?—Employee giving campaign. Staff participation is higher than faculty. “Look at what the people on campus are doing” makes a good argument for others to donate. A donation does not have to be large to count towards participation.

Graduate Student Government/ASNAU - Textbooks (Jason Kordosky, Ben Silva)

In order for the bookstore to get the best prices on textbooks, faculty must submit orders on time. Early adoption also allows students to work with different vendors to find the best price. Adopt books for multiple semesters. Consider open textbooks at <http://open.umn.edu>

COACHE, Smarter Surveys (Dan Kain, Ryan Kashanipour, Denise Helm)

NAU will be participating in a three year survey program (COACHE) to address perceived faculty responses to strengths and weaknesses of a university. Job satisfaction survey. All reporting will be confidential. Open to ALL faculty. A one year, university-wide trial for SmarterSurveys will begin this academic year. It is a new method of doing student evaluations. Let students know evaluations are important and results drive course changes. Faculty will be able to see which students have completed evaluations but not the results.

Academic Integrity (Karen Pugliesi, Ramona Mellott)

Townhall (date t.b.a.) will be held to address standardization of consequences before the policy is revised. We need a statement about academic integrity to complement academic policy. Problem: Students find different rules in different classes and programs. No universal agreement on this issue. Tutorials and signing honor codes are under consideration. Look at a culture of academic integrity, as apposed to dishonesty. Develop proactive statement on the institution's approach to academic integrity. Dialogue on campus about best practices.

Report from the President (President John Haeger)

ABOR will begin the search process for a new university president tentatively in early 2014. ABOR hires the next president. Will there be faculty participation? No way to know yet. FY14 budget looks good. Large freshman class, large number of returning students.

Report from the Provost (Provost Laura Huenneke)

In order to improve recruitment efforts, NAU is requesting that ABOR grant an exception to the policy that limits the numbers of multiyear appointment for non-tenure track faculty from 15% of current tenure appointments to 25%. NAU will present to ABOR the university plan and strategic efforts, student success. ABOR wants to hear about student learning and how the university has been investing in student success. Tentatively examining a potential faculty pay increase in January. Will continue with exemplary performer. Get through annual review in a timely fashion as raises are dependent on reviews! Be wary of phishing scams! DO NOT GIVE OUT YOUR PASSWORD. Five paychecks were high jacked last Friday…