Black Hills State University
Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes for March 2, 2022

Attendance: Skott Chandler, David Berberick, David Crawford, Susan Dana, Katrina Jensen, Jarrett Moore, Parthasarathi Nag, and Nancy Roberts

Guest: President Laurie Nichols

Meeting called to order at 3:15 PM.

1. Approval of Minutes from 1/19/22, 2/2/22, and 2/16/22 Meetings
   a. Nag moved to approve the minutes and Jarret seconded.
   b. The minutes were approved unanimously.

2. Curriculum Proposals
   a. Art Minor
   b. Arts-Teaching
   c. Art Management Minor
   d. BFA-Photography
   e. Nag moved to pass all four and David seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Executive Report to BOR
   a. Nag suggested adding comment about the desire to see more collaboration with West River schools.
   b. Discussed need to address revenue imbalance between BHSU and other regental universities, BHSU salary imbalance with other universities, and open faculty positions that need to be filled.
   c. Discussed restrictions on using adjuncts to teach needed courses.
   d. Suggested discussing the need for increased budget transparency.

4. President’s Report
   a. Received a “do pass” on the following funding requests to the legislature:
      i. West River Science Center addition - $8,000,000
      ii. Science education mobile lab – $78,000
      iii. Multi-media lab for communications studies major - $112,500
      iv. Ellsworth Airforce Base campus startup funding - $209,080
   b. Bill awaits the Governor’s signature to allow the BOR to set tuition rates for Rapid City and Sioux Falls campuses.
   c. Joint committee of the legislature approved a letter of intent for the BOR to study allocation formula for funding BOR universities. This is the first step towards changing current funding allocations.
5. Distinguished Faculty Update
   a. Discussed changing the letter of support requirement for Distinguished Faculty nomination.

Nag made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Susan seconds. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Minutes recorded by
Brian Eberhard

Next meeting: April 6, 2022