MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE 2016-17 UNIVERSITY SENATE
Thursday, April 28, 2016

Members Present: 54

Members Absent: 16

1. The meeting was called to order by the chairperson of the University Senate, Amy Harden, at 5:05 p.m.

Roll Call was taken by initialing the roster located at the entrance to LB 125.


2. Amy Harden, immediate past chairperson of the 2015-16 senate, called the meeting to order for the purpose of conducting elections.

3. New Business

A. Elections – Senate Officers

A list of nominees for the election of Senate officers and Agenda Committee was presented. (University Senate Agenda, 4/28/16, Enclosure #1)

A biographical sketch was available for each nominee on today’s ballot.

1. The two nominees (Bruce Frankel and Kourtland Koch) provided a few comments to the members of the senate prior to voting. The floor was opened for other nominations for Chairperson. There were no nominations from the floor and a motion was made and seconded to close nominations.

   The motion carried.

   A paper ballot was utilized for voting and Kourtland Koch was elected chairperson.

2. The floor was opened for other nominations for Vice Chairperson. There were no nominations from the floor and a motion was made and seconded (Hesser/Johnson) to close nominations.

   Karen Kessler was elected vice chairperson, by acclamation.

3. The floor was opened for other nominations for Secretary. There were no nominations from the floor and a motion was made and seconded (Aby/Johnson) to close nominations.

   Rachel Kraus was elected secretary, by acclamation.

B. Elections – Committees

University Senate Agenda Committee – ONE position

1. Andrew Crow (School of Music)
2. Alan Yen (Family and Consumer Sciences)
Nominations were also be taken from the floor. There were no nominations and a motion was made and seconded (Mahfouz/Johnson) to close nominations.

The motion carried.

There was a tie on the first ballot. After a second ballot, Andrew Crow was elected to serve.

4. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Kraus, Secretary

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