Academic Senate Orientation
2016-2017

Xan Johnson, Senate President
Margaret Clayton, Senate President – Elect
William Johnson, Past President
Bob Flores, Senate Policy Liaison
Paul Mogren, Senate Parliamentarian
Agenda

- Welcome and introductions (Xan, 10 min)
- History of the Senate (Xan, 10 min)
- Broad Overview of the Senate (Bob, 10 min)
- Senate Committees (Xan, 15 min)
- Process of the Senate (Bob, 15 min)
AN ORDINANCE incorporating the University of the State of Deseret.

Sec. 1. Be it ordained by the General Assembly of the State of Deseret: That a University is hereby instituted and incorporated, located at Great Salt Lake City, by the name and title of the University of the State of Deseret.

Sec. 2. The powers of the University shall be vested in a Chancellor and twelve Regents; the number of which Regents may be increased when necessary, who shall be chosen by the joint vote of both Houses of the General Assembly, and shall hold their office for the term of four years; and until their successors are qualified.

Sec. 3. The Chancellor shall be the chief executive officer of the University, and chairman of the Board of Regents.

Sec. 4. The Chancellor and Board of Regents are a body corporate, to sue and be sued; to act as Trustees of the University, to transact, or cause to be transacted, all business needful to the prosperity of the University in advancing all useful and fine arts and sciences; to select and procure lands; erect and purchase buildings; solicit donations; send agents abroad; receive subscriptions; purchase books, maps, charts, and all apparatus necessary for the most liberal endowment of any library, and scientific institution; employ professors and teachers; make by-laws, establish branches of the University throughout the State; and do all other things that fathers and guardians of the Institution ought to do.

Sec. 5. The Chancellor and Regents may appoint a Secretary, and define his duties.
ACADEMIC SENATE

HOLINESS TO THE LORD!

FIRST ANNUAL CATALOG

OF THE

Officers and Students

IN THE

UNIVERSITY OF DESERET

FOR THE

ACADEMICAL YEAR 1868-9

PRINTED AT THE

DESERET NEWS OFFICE, SALT LAKE CITY:

1869.

Chancellor and Be

JOHN R. PARK, M.D., PRESIDENT, AND PROFESSOR OF NATURAL HISTORY AND CHEMISTRY.

ORSON PRATT, SEN., A.M., PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS, ASTRONOMY AND MORAL SCIENCE.

BERNHARD H. BERGMAN, A.M., PROFESSOR OF ANCIENT AND MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE.

WILLIAM RIESS, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY AND METALLURGY.

LOUIS F. MONCH, PROFESSOR OF GERMAN, DRAWING AND PENMANSHIP.

HARMAL PRATT, PROFESSOR OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

W. D. JOHNSON, ASSISTANT IN COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT.

JOSEPH L. RAWLINS, ASSISTANT IN PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT AND MATHEMATICS.

VOLNEY KING, INSTRUCTOR IN TELEGRAPHY.

M. H. HARDY, INSTRUCTOR IN PHONOGRAPHY.
BOARD OF REGENTS.

William W. Riter, Salt Lake City, term expires 1919.
Waldemar Van Cott, Salt Lake City, term expires 1919.
Anton H. Lund, Salt Lake City, term expires 1919.
Joseph T. Kingsbury, Salt Lake City, member ex officio.
Richard W. Young, Salt Lake City, term expires 1917.
William N. Williams, Salt Lake City, term expires 1917.
Mrs. Belle Anderson Gemmell, Salt Lake City, term expires 1919.
William W. Armstrong, Salt Lake City, term expires 1919.
George W. Middleton, Salt Lake City, term expires 1917.
Henry H. Rolapp, Salt Lake City, term expires 1919.
David Mattson, Salt Lake City, member ex officio.
George C. Whitmore, Nephi, term expires 1917.
Ernest Bamberger, Salt Lake City, term expires 1917.
Nathan T. Porter, Centerville, term expires 1917.

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD.

Chairman,
William W. Riter.
Secretary,
David R. Allen.
Treasurer,
Edgar S. Hills.

COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD.

Executive Committee:
Richard W. Young, Chairman.
Waldemar Van Cott
William N. Williams
William W. Armstrong
Ernest Bamberger

Faculty Relations Committee:
Waldemar Van Cott, Chairman.
Richard W. Young
William N. Williams
William W. Armstrong
Nathan T. Porter
spoke in a depreciatory way about the University before his classes, and that he has also spoken in a very uncomplimentary way about the administration.

The four following acts are therefore regarded by President Kingsbury as among the proper grounds for public charges, followed by dismissal: (a) "speaking in a very uncomplimentary way about the administration;" (b) "speaking very disrespectfully of the Chairman of the Board of Regents;" (c) "speaking in a depreciatory way of the University before classes;" (d) "working against the administration." The last mentioned charge appears to the Committee to be of a greater significance than the first three, and is dealt with separately below, under the head of "Truth of Principal Charge." With regard to the other three charges, the Committee has attempted to ascertain more precisely the nature and occasions of the expressions used by Messrs. Wise and Knowlton, which are set down by the President as reasons for dismissing these professors.

(a) President Kingsbury was asked to inform the Committee as to the nature of Mr. Wise's uncomplimentary references to the University administration, and to state whether these references were made in private conversation or on a public occasion. Dr. Kingsbury replies that the expressions complained of were "statements as to the unfitness of the President for his position;" and that "it is not claimed that the uncomplimentary references were made in public, but they were made freely and without reserve." Mr. Wise, however, states that he never categorically declared Dr. Kingsbury to be unfit for his position, though he has in private talk made criticisms of the President and of several of his official acts and policies. "In departmental matters," Mr. Wise writes, "I have frequently differed from Dr. Kingsbury. I have opposed the policy which regulated the number of teachers by the plans of the President of the University and not by the number of students to be helped. Another 'policy' I have fought is that of keeping Germanics and Romance in one depart-
“Shared Governance”
Faculty Rights & Responsibilities in University Governance

• authority to legislate on matters of educational policy
• right to participate in decisions relating to the general academic operations of the university including budget decisions and administrative appointments
• right to a meaningful role in the governance of the University. Policy 6-001
“Academic Governance”
Policy 6-001

• “academic decision-making structures” (parallel of faculty bodies & administration)
  – Departmental “academic unit” faculties & committees (& dept. chairs)
  – College Councils & committees (& college deans)
  – University-level committees
  – Undergraduate & Graduate Councils (& council of academic deans)
  – Academic Senate (& U Sr. VP’s, Pres. & Trustees)
Academic Senate & Senate Committees -- Policy 6-002

Senate Composition:

• Voting Members:
  – 97 **faculty**: 18 Career-line & 79 Tenure-line proportionally representing & elected by respective colleges/areas.
  – 18 **students** from ASUU, one from each college, & ASUU President
  – 2 **deans** elected by academic deans

• Senate Leadership
  – President, President-Elect, Past-President
  – Parliamentarian, Policy Liaison
Senate Composition:

- Ex officio positions (non-voting, but right to move & discuss)
  - Dave Pershing, University President
  - Ruth Watkins, Senior VP for Academic Affairs
  - Vivian Lee, Senior VP for Health Sciences
  - All academic deans except the two elected voting deans
Senate Responsibilities  Policy 6-001

• “Act for the UU faculty in all matters of educational policy, including requirements for admissions, degrees, diplomas, certificates, & curricular matters involving relations between colleges or departments.”

• “receive & consider reports from all faculty committees, councils, departments, divisions, administrative officers, schools, colleges, faculties & libraries…. & take appropriate action thereon within the scope of this authority."
Senate Responsibilities, cont.

- consider matters of professional interest & faculty welfare & make recommendations to University president and other administrative officers
- propose to Board of Trustees amendments or additions to University Regulations
- receive notice of proposed faculty appointments & promotions, & resignations
- advice on any matter referred by University President
Senate Committees: Standing & Ad Hoc -- Policy 6-002

• Standing

Members nominated by P&E, elected by Senate. Chairs appointed annually by Senate Pres & ratified by Exec Committee & each committee.

– Senate Executive Committee
– Senate Personnel and Elections Committee
  • Chair: David Hill, Law
– Senate Committee on Academic Freedom and Faculty Rights
  • Chair: Shelley Minteer, Science
– Senate Consolidated Hearing Committee (hearing panels)
– Senate Advisory Committee on Academic Policy
  • Chair: Ed Barbanell, Humanities
Senate Committees Policy 6-002

• Standing, cont.
  – Senate Advisory Committee on Budget and Planning
    • Chair: Gage Williams, Fine Arts
  – Senate Advisory Committee on Diversity
    • Chair: Kelly MacArthur, Science
  – Senate Advisory Committee on IT
    • Chair: Peter Jensen, Engineering
  – Senate Advisory Committee on Library Policy
    • Chair: Patrick Panos, Social Work
  – Senate Advisory Committee on Salaries and Benefits
    • Chair: Ross McPhail, Law
  – Senate Faculty Review Standards Committee
    • Chair: Lincoln Davies, Law
  – Senate Advisory Committee on Student Course Feedback
    • Chair: Joanne Yaffe, Social Work
Senate Committees  Policy 6-002

- Ad Hoc/ “Special Committees” (2016-2017)
  - Senate Advisory Ad hoc Committee on Faculty Review of Administration
    • Chair: Caren Frost, Social Work
  - Senate Ad hoc Committee on Sexual Assault Prevention
    • Chair: Lori McDonald, Dean of Students
  - Senate Ad hoc Learning Outcomes Assessment Committee
    • Chair: Ann Darling, Undergraduate Studies
  - Senate Ad hoc Committee on Honorary Degrees
    • Chair: Robert Hitchcock, Engineering
Senate Executive Committee

• Does
  – Reviews documents and listens to presentations on all proposals and reports
  – Assures compliance—readiness for Senate
  – Recommends corrections and improvements, and alerts authors about likely areas of concern that Senate may have
  – Places items on Senate agenda—either “Debate” or “Information & Recommendations”

• Does Not
  – Approve anything (except during summer)
Example of Work Flow/approvals process – E.g., Undergrad. Degrees
Senate Agenda Items

“Debate Calendar” = academically significant

- Are in very late stages
  - typically next go directly to Board of Trustees
  - vetted by many different committees & administrators before Senate
  - vetted by Executive Committee

- Most are very good
  - Some are, and should, be expedited
  - Some controversial, some inaccurate, some have unintended consequences

- Which are which?
  - Executive Committee report, Executive Committee Senators
  - Read agenda packets, talk to colleagues, step up
Senate Agenda Items
“Information and Recommendations” Calendar

- Presented for information of Senate members and their constituencies (faculty, students, deans)
- No vote of approval required.
- “Recommendations” are invited and taken seriously.
- Some topics are directed, by Policy, to go to Debate or Information Calendar. For others, Executive Committee makes that determination.
- University Regulations items—Exec Committee chooses.