

# Ohio Northern University Faculty

## Minutes of the January 9, 2007 Meeting

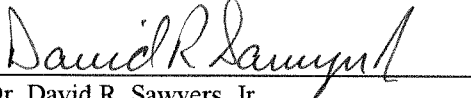
- I. Dr. Lippert called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.
- II. Invocation was offered by Professor Paul Nutter.
- III. Minutes from December 12, 2006 were approved as submitted.
- IV. Unfinished Business: Mr. Carpenter noted that a list of Fall Semester Law Graduates has been distributed for the information of the faculty.
- V. Questions for the President: Dr. Baker is attending the NCAA meeting. In his absence Dr Lippert discussed the following topic:
  - a) The Board will meet in February, and will consider applications for tenure and promotion at that time.
- VI. University Council: The next meeting of University Council will take place on January 16.
- VII. Report of Constitutional Committees
  - a) Budget and Appropriations – The committee will meet on January 10.
  - b) Academic Affairs – The committee is currently reviewing section 3.31 of the Faculty Handbook: Undergraduate Professional Experience Courses.
  - c) Student Activities – The committee approved three new organizations at its December meeting: Sigma Iota Epsilon (national management association), the Public Interest Law Association, and the National Communication Association Student Club.
  - d) Personnel – The committee will meet on January 10 to review sabbatical requests. Requests were made for a total of seven quarters of sabbatical leave.
- VIII. Reports of Operational Committees
  - a) Committee on Athletics – No report.
  - b) Cultural and Special Events – The committee will meet on January 10.
  - c) International Affairs – The committee met on January 8.
    - There are currently two fewer international students on campus than during Fall quarter, however additional students are anticipated in the Spring (pending visa approval).
    - There were approximately 200 applicants for the LL.M. program in international law; of these, 12 to 15 will be selected to enter the program next year.
    - Discussions are underway with Hanyang University to allow four ONU students to study study in summer 2007 at Hanyang which is in Seoul, South Korea.
  - d) Religious Affairs – The committee will meet on February 5 to review the results of the chapel hour survey. Due to the resignation of a student senate representative to the committee, Dustin Wickersham will attend this meeting as replacement.
  - e) Information Technology – The University will be providing five grants of up to \$5000 each to support development of online instruction. The deadline for applications is February 2.
- IX. Other Reports: None.
- X. New Business: None.
- XI. Announcements:
  - a) A memorial service for Robert Rittenhouse will be held in the chapel at 11:00 am on January 15. Robert, an ONU freshman, was killed in an auto accident on December 15.
  - b) Three ONU students - Justin Gieseler, Andrew Homan, and Lisa Scheckelhoff - gave prize-winning poster presentations at the Joint National AMS-MAA meeting.

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- c) On January 16, Dr. Suzanne Morrison will discuss her experiences in India on a two-week study tour conducted in 2005. The presentation will be held at 7:00 pm in Room 230 of Dicke Hall.
- d) The Department of Technology Studies recently acquired robotics equipment valued at close to \$400k from KUKA Robotics at a drastically reduced cost. There will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 1:00 pm on January 26<sup>th</sup>. Those interested in attending should contact Dr. Stienecker.
- e) A puppet troupe from San Luis Potosi, Mexico will be presenting “Matias and the Strawberry Cake” at the Freed Center this weekend. Performances are scheduled for Friday, January 12 at 8:00 pm and Saturday, January 13 at 2:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

XII. The meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Submitted by,

  
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Secretary