

**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