

**Black Hills State University**  
**Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**Minutes for January 19, 2022**

**Attendance:** Skott Chandler, David Berberick, Laura Colmenero-Chilberg, David Crawford, Susan Dana, Brian Eberhard, Katrina Jensen, Jarrett Moore, Parthasarathi Nag, and Nancy Roberts

Meeting called to order at 3:15 PM.

1. Approval of December 1, 2021, Minutes
  - a. Laura Colmenero-Chilberg moved to approve the minutes, seconded by David Berberick. Minutes were approved unanimously.
2. Provost Search Committee Information
  - a. Nancy Roberts shared information about the provost search.
3. Provost's Report
  - a. Provost Carriveau Shared information countering internet article critical of BHSU. Article focused on cost of education at BHSU and potential salaries of graduates.
  - b. BHSU did not receive rural secondary education grant.
  - c. Filled open professional advisor position. Will hire one more professional advisor under Title III grant.
  - d. Currently at 30,400+ student credit hours.
  - e. Legislative issues coming up: transgender women in sports; transgender restroom bill; critical race theory (HB 1012; and no-action government classes.
4. Reimbursement
  - a. Parthasarathi Nag shared information about challenges with pre-approval reimbursement policy associated with some research and other expenses. Constraints are often related to legal requirements and purchase contracts with vendors that require specific actions, such as pre-approval for certain purchases.
5. Information on Low-Enrolled Classes
  - a. Nancy Roberts shared information and asked for discussion about low-enrolled classes and course cancellations. Discussed concerns about late cancellations and the impact on students and instructors. Discussed independent study courses as remedy to cancelled courses.
6. Make-up Policy in Syllabus
  - a. Recommended syllabus wording concerning make-up work is acceptable.
7. Other Business
  - a. Skott Chandler requested senate members to ask their departments for distinguished faculty nominations.

Skott Chandler made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Laura Colmenero-Chilberg.  
The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 PM.

Minutes recorded by  
Brian Eberhard