Black Hills State University Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes for October 4, 2023

Attendance: Skott Chandler, Laura Colmenero-Chilberg, Abigail Domagall, Sydney Haugland, Katrina Jensen, Jarrett Moore, Parthasarathi Nag, Nancy Roberts, and Wendy Stewman

Guests: Student Senate President Isabella Rowe and Vice President Bailey Froelich, Garrett Stevens

Meeting called to order at 3:15 PM.

1. Approval of minutes

a. Wendy made a motion to approve the minutes from September 20, 2023. Nag seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

2. Student Senate Report

- a. Car smash event:
 - i. Student senate is planning a car smash fundraising event.
- b. Legislative day social:
 - i. An event to meet local legislators is planned to take place at the President's house,
- c. Students in Higher Education (SHED):
 - i. Students will meet in Pierre to lobby for concerns relevant to BHSU.
- d. Student Senate email:
 - i. An email address was created to allow students to express concerns.
 - ii. studentsenate@bhsu.edu
 - iii. Emails sent to this address go to Jane Klug, who then forwards them to student senators.

3. Campus Master Plan

- a. Meetings with the firm hired to develop a plan, CO-OP Architecture, took place on 9/29/2023.
- b. Senators discussed takeaways from the meetings.

4. Presidential search:

- a. Jarrett and Abby gave an update on the search.
- b. All candidates will be on campus on November 14.
- c. Faculty are encouraged to attend interviews and provide specific feedback on candidates.

5. Opportunity Center Steering Committee:

- a. Volunteers to serve on the committee were asked for.
- b. Wendy and Nancy volunteered.

6. Cybersecurity Update:

- a. Garrett Stevens visited to give an update on cybersecurity issues, including:
- b. Common phishing scams
- c. Software to automatically backup files on faculty and staff computers
- d. Upcoming cybersecurity training

7. Service Equity:

- a. Concerns previously raised about the equity of faculty service responsibilities were brought to the Provost and President.
- b. The possibilities of reducing the number of committees or reducing the number of individuals on each committee were discussed.

Nag made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Nancy. The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 PM.

Minutes recorded by Katrina Jensen

Next Meeting: October 18, 2023, at 3:15 PM in the Trump Conference Room.

Minutes unanimously approved on October 18, 2023