

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RETREAT MINUTES

Present: Bender, Dawes, Joeckel, Lee, Nickerson, Purcell, Reisbig, Rudy, Sollars, Steffen, Vakilzadian, Woodman

Absent: Konecky

Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2015

Location: Nebraska Union, City Campus, Heritage Room

Note: These are not verbatim minutes. They are a summary of the discussions at the Executive Committee Retreat as corrected by those participating.

1.0 Call
Noon

2.0 Announcements

2.1 Search Advisory Committee Named

Bender reported that President Bounds has announced the members of the Chancellor's search committee. He noted that, as promised by President Bounds, there is a plurality of faculty members on the search committee. He pointed out that the Executive Committee will be meeting with the search consultants on September 9th to discuss what the faculty would like to see in a new Chancellor.

Vakilzadian asked if the role of the search committee is to define the qualifications needed for a new Chancellor. Bender stated that the search committee will set the qualifications and review and provide input on candidates.

3.0 Approval of August 5, 2015 Minutes

Nickerson moved for approval of the minutes as revised. Joeckel seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

4.0 Unfinished Business

No unfinished business was discussed.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Executive Committee Goals for 2015-16

The Executive Committee worked on determining the goals for the 2015-16 academic year. A copy of the goals will be shared with the Faculty Senate.

5.2 Academic Year Calendar – Spring Break Proposal

Bender reported that the University-wide Calendar Committee is proposing that Spring Break be moved from the 10th week of the semester to the 9th. He noted that the break would occur more evenly in the semester and would possibly coincide with the Lincoln Public Schools' break. He pointed out that the university's calendar is set in ten-year

periods and the change would be for the 2021-2030 period. There were no objections from the Executive Committee members. Bender stated that he would pass this information on to the University-wide Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 3:00 pm. The meeting will be held in 203 Alexander Building. The minutes are respectfully submitted by Karen Griffin, Coordinator and Allison Reisbig, Secretary.