Senate Council Special Meeting May 29, 2007

The Senate Council met in special session at 3 pm on Tuesday, May 29 in 387 Ralph G. Anderson Building. Below is a record of what transpired. All votes were taken via a show of hands unless indicated otherwise.

Chair Kaveh A. Tagavi called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm.

1. Minutes from May 14 and Announcements

The Chair asked if there were any changes to the minutes. Aken said that she attended the May 14 meeting and should be added to the list of Senate Council (SC) members present. There being no further revisions, the minutes were approved as amended.

2. President Todd's 2006-2007 Evaluation

Senate Council (SC) members engaged in a lengthy discussion about the scoring, comments and other aspects related to the 2006-2007 evaluation of President Todd.

Subsequent to the discussion, Finkel **moved** that the Senate Council provide to Board of Trustees Chair James Hardymon the scores associated with Senate Council input, the scores associated with input from other constituencies, and that the narrative comments identified would be discussed further over the listserv. Harley **seconded**. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** unanimously.

3. Discussion on Senate Council Retreat

SC members decided to hold the retreat on Wednesday, July 25, from approximately 10 am to 2 pm. There was a discussion on who should be invited for lunch that day, as well as possible topics for discussion. The Chair shared that Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs Heidi Anderson had expressed an interest in attending a portion of the retreat to discuss implementation of the delay to the probationary period (tenure clock delay).

It was agreed that any of the topics below would be good agenda items for the retreat:

- Implementation of the tenure clock delay;
- Structure of University Senate committees;
- Summer school issues, specifically pay and ramifications on offering graduate-level courses;
- o The loss of high quality, senior faculty; and
- Is the Senate Council doing all it should regarding the oversight of academics, specifically:
 - Increasing senators' active participation in web transmittal reviews;
 - Degree lists;

- The movement of centers from one administrative location to another; and
- How centers differ from schools or other administrative units.

There being no further business to attend to, the meeting was adjourned at 2:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kaveh A. Tagavi, Senate Council Chair

Senate Council members present: Aken, Finkel, Grabau, Harley, Michael, Tagavi, Thelin, and Wood.

Prepared by Sheila Brothers on Wednesday, May 30, 2007.