Meeting Minutes
Academic Senate
March 17th, 2015
Brockmann Center Conference Room
4:00pm

Members: Lorren Schlotfeldt, Darlene Sellers, Fred Smiley, Heather Thompson, Rodney Ridenour, Lanny Wilke, Mark Seiffert, Jamie Underwood, William Rugg, Arlys Williams, Steven Don
Members Present: Lorren Schlotfeldt, Fred Smiley, Mark Seiffert, Lanny Wilke, Rodney Ridenour, Jamie Underwood, William Rugg, Heather Thompson
Guest: Michael DiBrizzi, Samantha Clawson

1. **Call to Order at 4:00pm by Lorren**
2. **Approval of Minutes from February 10th, 2015**
   a. Motion was made by Rodney
   b. Second was made by Jamie
   c. Call for the question
      i. Michael brought up about the sentence under the Provost Updates
         a. Minutes are written correctly for the date, but has been changed since that date.
   d. All approved the minutes as written
3. Lorren made a correction to the agenda so that the guests could speak first before the regular meeting. Brought up that there will be only one (1) more meeting left of the academic year.
4. **New Business:**
5. Guest Samantha Clawson – Financial Incentive Plan (grant writing)
   a. Handout
   b. MSU-Bozeman has this in place
      i. Bozeman is not union
   c. Tenure and Tenure Track faculty only
   d. Has not been brought to the faculty union
   e. Has not been brought to the faculty senate
   f. Was asked if this is the going trend for colleges?
   g. Bozeman is a research college where Northern is an institutional college
6. Michael DiBrizzi – Prior Learning Assessment (PLA)
   a. Handout
   b. Talked about student eligibility
   c. Transferability
   d. Fee Structure
   e. Maximum Credits
   f. Being presented at the MSU-One Symposium March 25th and 26th, 215 in Bozeman
   g. Michael will be the campus expert for now, but will need all campus advisors need to be 
brought up to par

7. Chancellor/Provost Updates:
   a. William traveled to Billings to talk to Luke Petriccione
   b. Veteran’s Upwards Bound Program
      i. 3 Members are retiring on June 30th, 2015
      ii. Luke’s office deals with high school students going into college
      iii. All Veteran graduates should be wear red/white/blue cords
   c. BOR
      i. Virgil Hawkinson –
      ii. Program Revisions were approved for the Graduate Educations
      iii. Billings are in the process of starting a Master in NRSG Program
         a. 102 Credits
         b. No BA needed
   d. Scholastic Honor Roll
      i. “Students with a grad of Pass, Incomplete or “F” are not included on the honor 
roll listing. Page 109 under Scholastic Honor Roll.
      ii. Would like to remove this sentence from the Student Handbook and Planner
      iii. Motion was made by Mark
      iv. Second was made by Jamie
      v. All approved for William to take this to the Registrar’s Office to take this 
sentence out of the handbook.
      vi. This will be made retroactive for Graduation 2015

8. Ran out of time so a lot of agenda items were not covered.

9. Adjournment was adjourned by Lorren at 5:05pm

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Bradley