President Owen McDougal called the Faculty Senate to order at 3:26 p.m.

1) Roll Call:

Present-President Owen McDougal
Senators-Alicia Garza, Anthony Marker, Gary McCain, Cheri Folkner, Russell Willerton, Nader Rafla, Troy Rohn, Barbara Allerton,
Representatives-Jim Stockton, Chase Johnson, Andrew Finstuen

2) Old Business
   (a) Constitution

   • The version presented reflects the comments sent in emails to President McDougal.
   • Senator McCain moved to address the final document of the constitution, i.e. the amended constitution. Seconded by Senator Marker. Motion passed unanimously.
   • Conversation Topics
     - Academic Freedom Language
       • Third paragraph under Academic Freedom-The concern of Representative Stockton was that it may result in the diminishing of academic freedom by allowing university officials to guide what faculty are allowed to teach.
         • Senator Marker moved to add “as defined by their peers.” to the end of the third paragraph under Academic Freedom. Seconded by Senator Allerton.
         • Senator McCain: This may eliminate faculty faster with peers judging them.
         • Representative Stockton: The wording is very vague and could be interpreted in many ways.
         • President McDougal: Emphasized that grievance procedures exist that provides protection for faculty where peer evaluation is broadly defined. Existing wording in the AAUP 1940 language on academic freedom protects faculty and students in the classroom.
       • Motion was withdrawn by Senator Marker and Senator Allerton.
     - Fourth paragraph under Academic Freedom language was addressed. Following the discussion, no action was taken.
     • Senator Allerton moved to approve the Academic Freedom Language. Seconded by Senator Rafla.
   - Presidential Succession
     • Article IV Section 1-A form of presidential succession has been added to the document, Vice President to President to President Ex Officio. For the Vice President to serve as President the next year, a 2/3 majority is required.
     • Senator McCain moved to replace a 2/3 vote to a simple majority everywhere needed in Article IV Section 1. Seconded by Senator Willerton.
       - It is very hard to achieve a 2/3 majority and this vote will not encourage
faculty to run for the position in fear that they would not be approved.

- The wording is very unclear of how a president would be able to serve another year because of the way succession is worded.
  - This will be addressed when the bylaws are addressed. Senator Marker moved to approve Article IV Section 1. Seconded by Senator Allerton. Motion passed unanimously.

- Voting Rights
  - Have all the issues of voting rights been caught throughout the document?
    - Senator McCain moved to approve the voting rights as described in the constitution. Seconded by Senator Rafla. Motion passed unanimously.

- Use of terms college, school, division, unit
  - All changes suggested by Senators were incorporated in the draft for review.
    - Senator Folkner moved to approve the terms of college, school, division, and unit as mentioned in the constitution. Seconded by Senator Garza. Motion passed unanimously.

- Other Topics
  - Senator McCain moved to approve the constitution and send it to the faculty for approval. Seconded by Senator Marker. Motion passed unanimously.

3) Adjournment
- Senator Marker moved to adjourn. Seconded by Senator Garza. Motion passed unanimously.