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Minutes of Fall All Faculty Meeting
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Attendance

Dr. Stanley Howard, Dr. Boyles, Dr. Boysen, Dr. Cross, Dr. Andy Detwiler, Dr. PV, Sundareshwar, Dr. Jason Hower, Dr. Frank Matejcik, Dr. Joe Fazio, Dr. Kyle Riley, Dr. Don Teets, Dr. Marius Ellingsen, Dr. Toni Logar, Dr. Colon Paterson, Dr. Sue Shirley

The meeting opened with a report from the Senate Chair, Dr. Howard, about his recent conversations with Dr. Hrncir. An outline of topics discussed is presented below.

1. Introduce December Commencement Speaker
 - a. Will be voted on at October senate meeting
2. Student enrollment and campus money are up. As a result, Dr. Hrncir is interested in trying to relieve faculty overloads.
3. SDBOR is discussing a proposed Wednesday before Thanksgiving holiday. Some questions about this proposal include
 - a. When will the students leave?
 - b. What about a "fall break" and cancel the whole week
4. Currently there are 23 active campus searches ongoing. The new search committee requirements are that at least one person on the committee has been through the new HR training seminar.
 - a. Dr. Boyles asked if faculty would be legally accountable after attending the training session.
 - b. The faculty also asked about who was running the training sessions and if there were plans to record the seminars to help alleviate schedule conflicts.
5. Student Opinion Surveys
 - a. Dr. Hrncir would like to know if they are used and if they make sense.
6. +/- grading
 - a. Dr. Hrncir reports that there is interest on the other SDBOR campuses and he will continue to push this issue.
7. Chemistry Lab scheduling issues
 - a. There is significant concern about lab overlaps between the new chemistry lab schedule and other required courses and the common exam times.
 - b. Dr. Hrncir has been invited to the October Faculty Senate meeting to discuss these issues
8. COHE negotiations
 - a. Currently the COHE representatives are gathering input about COHE negotiation issues
 - b. Let Dr. Boyles know about issues of significant concern
9. Salary issues/policy
 - a. Admin, SDBOR, Presidents "committed to securing raises and competitive rates"
10. Proposed 10% budget reduction strategies
 - a. Student Senate proposing more student fees to support faculty salary
 - b. Invite Dr. Wharton to discuss campus budget issues -- senate meeting, special faculty meeting
11. Resolutions to Dr. Wharton
 - a. SDSM&T Branding
 - b. SDSM&T organizational chart -- No Senate on the org chart

At the completion of the report and after no further discussion from the floor, the meeting ended at 4:40pm