Student Senate Agenda
Wednesday, February 1, 2012
Sorrell Center 2012, 5:30pm

I. Call to order
a. President Ahmed called the meeting to order.

II. Guest speaker(s)
a. Yvette Holly – ITS
   i. Assistant Vice Chancellor of Information Technology Services
   ii. Email update – leaving Lotus Notes, switching to Microsoft exchange
   iii. Go Live on Tuesday, March 6 – faculty, staff, students, UNMC physicians; all mail will
       be routed to Exchange instead of Lotus Notes
       1. Will go live with a clean account
       2. Owa.unmc.edu – Outlook Web App
          a. Login with unmc_undomain\name
          b. From off-campus/using guest wireless on campus - login with secure
             access SSL VPN – secure.unmc.edu/unmc
   iv. Lotus notes available until June 30
   v. Mobile devices – will use Microsoft ActiveSync
      1. Works well with Apple products, some Droids (depending on
         make/model, may require upgrade), and Blackberry (required de-install
         and reinstall on each device – can only do one e-mail system!!)
   vi. Facts
      1. 1GB Hard Quota (vs 500 MB)
      2. POP disabled – forwarding to a different account
      3. Web Access Only – Outlook WebApp (OWA) from any browser
   vii. Visit unmc.edu/its or email yholly@unmc.edu if you have any questions
b. Nancy Woelfl, Ph.D. – Library
   i. Director of Library Medicine
   ii. Library fee increase
      1. Initiated by Vice Chancellors for Academic Affairs due to budget cuts and
         rising prices in 2002; a student enrolled for 12 hours will pay $48 per
         semester
      2. July 1, 2003 = $2.00; July 1, 2008 = $3.00; July 1, 2012 = $4.00 per credit
         hour
      3. Costs of electronic journal subscriptions has gone up almost 400% over 25
         years
      4. Other academic libraries in system (UNL, UNK, UNO) get 2-4 times more
         operating expenses; they also get technology fees, we don’t
      5. Library fee money used for: student resources only; 750+ e-books; 7,000+
         e-journals and 36 databases; student interlibrary loans; FY 2011 cost =
         $1,289,416 (only 66% from state)
      6. Only library in NU system that must use endowment income to purchase,
         maintain and upgrade hardware and software; academic units retain all
         technology fees paid by students; Dr. Woelfl encourages students to
         consider a UNMC library technology fee in addition to the NU system-
         wide library fee, which pays for content
iii. Interlibrary Loan policy
   1. Degree-seeking students currently receive 50 no-cost articles per academic year. Library must pay copyright royalties on all ILLs. Copyright royalties to the publishers average $36.50 per article; payments = $110,713 FY 2008-2011. Library has critical need to manage royalty costs. Library fees paid by non-degree seeking students do not offset the cost of services received and transfer unbudgeted expenses to the library.
   2. Proposed ILL policy for non-degree seeking students (N-DSS): N-DSS will receive access to all licensed electronic resources with no limit on downloads and/or prints; will pull and copy material at no charge; will NOT purchase articles or pay copyright royalties for non-degree seeking students; must obtain ILL services from their home campus or can purchase articles at a reduced affiliated user rate, not waiving copyright royalties
      a. Thinking ahead to the increased number of N-DSS because of increased distance learning (especially in Allied Health and Public Health)

iv. Student survey results
   1. Computer upgrades (COM alumni), more anatomical models (COM alumni), 100 specialty e-books (Friends of Library), furnishings (working on phased replacement of chairs), digital signage
   2. Spoke but not so easy: totally electronic (expensive!), UpToDate license renewal, UpToDate off campus (working on it), more “free” ILLs (limits and a consistent policy are truly necessary), pump up the lighting (experiments in process, working with facilities management), more windows (can’t do!)

III. Roll Call
   a. Welcome
   b. Expectations
      i. Attendance Policy – Faisal
         1. Two unexcused absences or can e-mail if will not be able to attend. Executive committee decides on whether they will be excused or not.
   c. Introductions
      i. New CON representative, Levi Zehr.

IV. Approval of January minutes
   a. January Minutes were approved.

V. Advisor’s Report - Dr. David Carver
   a. Got name tents printed for Senators. Still need one for Levi Zehr and new COM Senator, still to be determined.

VI. News
   a. Regent’s Meeting Report
      i. [www.nebraska.edu](http://www.nebraska.edu) for agenda items
      ii. UNO gave their master plan, Cancer Center plans were discussed, Board of Regents approved fee increase on housing
      iii. Academic Affairs Committee
b. ITS update
   i. Senator David Stone contacted Mrs. Holly about who to contact for questions in computer cluster. Double sided printing should become default.

c. February Blood Drive
   i. Senator Caroline Jamison requested Senators to put flyers up February 6th.
   ii. We will be setting up a stand with Red Cross with hot cocoa on Monday 13th to advertise the event and have sign-ups for students to donate blood.

d. Parkinson Disease Skate-athon
   i. Report from Senator Erin Rosenbaugh, a representative. Total they earned $51,000.

e. New Comprehensive Cancer Center
   i. One of 41 in the country. The whole project will cost $370 million. In two weeks, at committee meeting, a speaker (Vice Chancellor or Chancellor of PR) will be here to give a presentation.

f. Committee Reports
   i. Issues
      1. Online Voting – The committee is exploring the possibility to moving Senate voting online. This is for hopes that it will increase voter turnout, publicize the positions a little more, and bring in more competition. This could also be used to put a little bio up for each candidate. Senator David Stone has volunteered to head this project, along with working with Dr. Carver.
         a. Senator David Stone contacted Lane Carr (UNL ASUN President). Student fees pay for this. He got a quote for us from the company, and it would be $1,195 for a yearly contract. We would give them list for all students registered, then it would be tallied up in real-time.
   ii. Activities
      1. Luau – The committee is looking at April 14th from 9:00 pm to 2:00 am. They are still looking for possible locations.

  g. Liaison’s
     i. Legislative
        1. Senator Eric Nagengast has volunteered to be this liaison. He mentioned that they are looking for students to be on Student Delegates, where they go to Lincoln and speak on bills that are important to UNMC and health care. Contact himself or Senator Jeremy Hosein if interested in being involved. They meet once a month and are independent of UNMC – lobby separately from UNMC. It is currently only medical students, and they are hoping for this to change.
        2. Main legislative bills this year are Cancer Center, and Nursing in Lincoln and Kearney.
        3. One piece of legislation is allowing guns on campus that is being looked at this year.
     ii. ITS
        1. See above.
     iii. Security
        1. No report.
     iv. Go Green
1. No report.

h. College Reports
ii. College of Pharmacy – P1s are having fundraiser, selling wooden roses for $1 or half-dozen for $5.
iii. COM – no report
iv. CON – They organized a student social within the college that was a great success.
v. GS – Had a seminar yesterday. Are inviting (co-sponsor between GSA and Post-Doc organization) a speaker who is discussing how to apply for jobs, write a CV, etc.
vi. COPH – no report

i. Interprofessional Information
i. Starting this so Senators can be more aware of other colleges.
ii. President Ahmed gave first information session. Medical students typically need four year degree, and take the MCAT the summer previously. They apply over summer, interview in fall, and await response until March. They have a four year education – first two in class, then the second two as clinical. They have clerkships in psychiatry, internal medicine, surgery, family medicine, OBGYN. They then apply to residencies in fourth year to specialize. These last anywhere from two to six years, then they can apply to fellowships.

VII. Active Items
a. Readership Program Trial
i. Senator Jeremy Hosein gave a timeline of this program. They are hoping to get it started on February 13th or 20th. This delay is to ensure that everyone knows what is happening (Deans of colleges, etc.). It will be a three week trial program, ending before spring break starts. We will have USA Today and Omaha World Herald, both about 250 per day. If this is approved, projected start date would be in the fall.
ii. Locations of newspaper racks: COP on first floor commons area; Sorrell outside C-store; CON in learning resource center; DRC common area; COPH is still to be determined.

b. Constitution Revision
i. Senator Jeremy Peterson is heading this committee. At the last meeting, the committee went over what areas of the Constitution they are looking at. An electronic version will be sent out to the committee. They are hoping to have it mostly hashed out by March meeting. It will probably be taken to a vote during the April meeting and won’t take effect until they are reviewed by the Chancellor.

c. Hockey Night 2012
i. Sign-up to volunteer to sell tickets.
ii. Please return tickets to Erin by Friday, February 17th. If you need more tickets, let Caroline or Erin know.

VIII. New Report
a. Filling Vacancies – this item was proposed on Blackboard on Sunday night. It currently says in the Constitution that the seats shall be filled by an election by the class in which the vacancy occurs.
b. New proposal – in the event of a vacancy on Student Senate, Senators from the College to
which the vacant seat is assigned will recruit and appoint a replacement by majority vote.
The appointed Senator should be selected in such a manner as to balance requirement
between class years/programs/departments. In event this cannot be done, the Senate
President will appoint.
c. This is a “clarification to the Constitution.”
d. Regarding the new proposal process – confusion arose from what our new process actually
was. The nature of the proposal was, as President Ahmed was concerned, was to decrease
the time of discussion. Senators discussed their concerns that other senators would not
necessarily read the proposal before. President Ahmed stated that if you did not read the
discussion board, then you are waiving your right to discussion. Senator Haverland stated
that everyone liked to discuss and most likely won’t want to not have that choice, so
suggested re-allocating time. Dr. Carver stated that these issues were in fact brought up at
the previous meeting, but President Ahmed’s proposal was passed, and that proposal was to
not discuss during the regular Senate meeting. Senator Haverland suggested posting a
discussion on the proposal on Blackboard, so this will be done.

IX. Shelved Items
X. Officer Reports
   a. President – Faisal Ahmed
      i. No report.
   b. Vice President – Jeremy Hosein
      i. No report.
   c. Secretary – Caroline Jamison
      i. Reminder to Senators to request to add the UNMC Student Senate Facebook group.
      They can then add the hockey event and invite their UNMC friends.
   d. Treasurer – Ben Reiner
      i. Apologies to the vegetarians.

XI. Adjournment