

Bloomington Faculty Council  
September 4, 2018  
Minutes  
Padraic Kenney, Secretary

The regular biweekly meeting of the Bloomington Faculty Council, held in Presidents' Hall on Tuesday, September 4, convened at 2:30 PM with Presiding Officer and Provost Lauren Robel in the Chair and Professor Padraic Kenney acting as Secretary.

1. Minutes of the meeting of April 17, 2018 were approved.
2. Vice Provost Eliza Pavalko read a memorial resolution for Elliot Sperling.
3. Vice Provost Eliza Pavalko read a memorial resolution for Daniel ray Sharpless.
4. BFC President Moira Marsh welcomed new council members, and directed attention to the BFC brochure. She then introduced circulars B1, B2, and B3-2019, which present, respectively, 2018-19 Council members, 2018-19 membership of Council committees, and a summary of actions taken by the Council in 2017-18.
5. Jon Trinidad and Nick Williams, co-chairs of the Council's Non-Tenure Track Task Force, presented three proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Bloomington Faculty. This was the second reading for all three.
  - a. B6-2019 (previously "Proposal 12") amends Article V Section 5.5 to reduce the at-large positions on the Council from ten to five, removing as well the requirement that two of these be untenured.
  - b. B7-2019 (previously "Proposal 13") was withdrawn; it had been prepared purely to maintain the numbering of paragraphs in the Constitution.
  - c. B8-2019 (previously "Proposal 14") amends Article V Section 5.5 Part H to reduce the number of graduate student representatives on the Council from four to three.
  - d. After brief discussion, the two amendments were passed on a show of hands; there were 4 opposed in the first vote, and 3 opposed in the second.
6. Vice Provost for Undergraduate Affairs presented a report on the General Education Program. Topics discussed in the report included data trends concerning how students are satisfying requirements, assessment of particular areas of General Education, the approval of courses, and the Diversity in the United States requirement. A lengthy discussion ensued.
7. The meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM.