Bloomington Faculty Council  
February 18, 2020  
Minutes  
Marietta Simpson, Secretary

The regular biweekly meeting of the Bloomington Faculty Council, held in Presidents Hall on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, convened at 2:30 PM with Provost Lauren Robel presiding and Marietta Simpson acting as Secretary.

1. Minutes of meeting of February 4, 2020 were approved.
2. Beth Gazley, Associate Vice Provost read the Memorial Resolution for Gilbert Clark.
3. Diane Henshel, Faculty President gave the executive report which was a reminder of the elections and the announcement of the formation of a new taskforce. She yielded the rest of her time to Elizabeth Pear, Director of the Faculty Council Office. Elizabeth reported on the role of the Faculty council office and updates to the BFC website.
4. Provost Robel’s report highlighted several of the activities in which she routinely engages in the spring semester.
5. A question was asked about the university response to campus climate for Asian students, faculty and staff in light of the Corona virus. Office of International Affairs has been proactive in its response to all present and potential students, faculty and staff during this crisis, here and abroad.
6. Selene Carter, Co-chair of the Diversity and Affirmative Action Committee introduced the Proposed amendment to BL-ACA-D9 Bylaws of the Bloomington Faculty Council of Indiana University to rename the Diversity and Affirmative Action Committee. Members offered suggestions for further consideration by the Diversity and Affirmative Action Committee
7. Thomas A. Morrison, Vice President for Capital Planning and Facilities, gave part two of the report on sustainability initiatives at Indiana University. A discussion period followed the report during which it was decided the BFC Executive committee will draft a resolution on sustainability to be considered by the Council
8. Naz Pantaloni, Chair of the Libraries Committee introduced Carolyn Walters, Ruth Lilly Dean of University Libraries who presented updates from the Indiana University Libraries about the unsustainable cost increases of journals “Big Deals”, and the Master Plan of the Wells Library. A brief question period followed the presentation.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm