I. President Darveau called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

II. Roll Call:
   Present: Agrawal, Albrecht, Aviles, Bridges, Craig, Darveau, Davis, Elder, Fredrickson, Frickle, Heidenreich, Jackowiak, Kruse, Lewis, Lightner, Louishomme, McCarty, Miller, Obermier, Snider, Strawhecker, Thompson, Unruh, Wozniak, and Younes.


   Guests: John Lakey, interim Vice Chancellor of Business and Finance, and Lee McQueen, Director of Facilities-UNK, Carol Lomicky, Kevin Wait.

II) Approval of Agenda. Darveau asked for a motion to amend Agenda to include discussion of Ballot Initiative 423. McCarty/Unruh moved approval of amended Agenda. Amended Agenda was approved unanimously.

IV) Davis/Younes moved approval of the minutes for the Faculty Senate meeting of October 5, 2006. Minutes were approved without emendations.

V) VCBF Lakey thanked the Senate for the opportunity to return and provide an update of the campus-wide discussions that the Facilities Advisory Committee has received, discussed and used to revise the Campus Facilities Master Plan. The plan will be presented to President Milliken before December 8, 2006 and the Board of Regents on January 19, 2007. Lakey highlighted the UNK main campus site plan which comprise of 270 acres as well as various parcels that UNK has been purchased, donated or transfers from other state entities. Total acreage owned and controlled by UNK is more than 500.

The Campus Facilities plan will call for keeping all academic buildings north of State Highway 30, demolition of Mary Morse Lecture Hall, complete renovation of Bruner Hall of Science, construction of a three-story addition to Bruner that will include new classrooms and labs, and relocate the planetarium from basement of Mary Morse to the top of the new addition to Bruner. The university is concerned with its surroundings and having an adequate buffer. Plan calls for acquisition of parcels as they come on the market.
The Facilities Advisory Committee explored the possibility of rehabilitating or relocating and constructing new structures to house Otto Olson, the Fine Arts Building, and the University Heights Apartments. Plan will discuss the need for renovating several academic and administrative buildings, but will not identify priorities. Plan discusses and administration is looking at renovation of Randall Hall and older dormitories.

VI) Reports of Faculty Senate Committees,
   B) Executive Committee’s October 26, 2006 meeting with the Administration: approved without comments.
   C) President’s Report of November 2, 2006: approved without comments
   G) Artist and Lectures Committee report of October 19, 2006: approved without comment.
   I) Continuing Education Committee report of October 24, 2006: approved without comment.
   L) Library Committee report of October 23, 2006: approved without comment.

VII) Reports of Faculty Senate Special (Ad Hoc) Committees
   A. Writing Intensive / Cultural Diverse Committee: no report submitted.
   B. General Studies Round reports of October 6 and 20, 2006: approved without comment.

VIII) Reports form Academic Councils
   A) Graduate Council reports of September 21 and October 19, 2006: approved without comment.
   C) Council on Undergraduate Education: no report submitted.

IX) Reports of Senate Representatives to Non-Senate Committees:
   A. Assessment Committee report of October 12, 2006: accepted without comment.
      1. Student Assessment Committee: no report submitted
   B. Affirmative Action Commission: no report submitted
   C. Center for Teaching Excellence Advisory Committee: no report submitted
   D. Council of Chairs: no report submitted
   E. Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee: discussed above
   F. Fees Committee: no report submitted
   G. First Year Experience Committee: no report was submitted
   H. Gender Equity Committee: no report submitted
   I. Honors Council: report was accepted without discussion.
   J. International Education: discussed above
   K. Parking: no report submitted
   L. Student Retention Committee: no report submitted
M. Safety Committee: no report was submitted
N. Strategic Planning: no report submitted.
O. Student Support Services Advisory Committee: no report submitted
P. Technology Advisory Committee: no report was submitted
Q. Women’s Studies Advisory Committee: no report submitted
R. Writing Center Advisory Committee: no report submitted

X) Unfinished Business
The eCampus/Dual Credit program was discussed. Senator Miller stated that there is a concern that some high school that offer college credit courses, do not use college level textbooks and do not have university faculty directly involved or teaching these classes. Senator Unruh stated that the Faculty Senate has supported the policy of UNK not accepting dual credits.

Senator Elder asked why the proposed program wouldn’t be any different from any other course when departments have faculty who are qualified to teach the course. Carol Lomicky stated that all classes will be taught by UNK faculty. Senator Bridges stated that the proposed dual credit program would involve current high school student to enroll in classes that are being taught by UNK faculty and would be part of the effort to recruit new students. Senator Albrecht stated that Faculty Senate needed to articulate a unified vision or statement on this program. Darveau indicated that the motion to send the matter to Academic Affairs would insure that all ducks are in a row.

Snider/Lightner motioned to call. Motion was passed unanimously
Miller/Obermier moved to refer this matter to the Academic Affairs Committee. Motion was approved unanimously.

XI) New Business
Kruse/Jackowiak made a motion to consider Faculty Senate endorsing the American Democracy Project. Senator Kruse indicated hat she had attended a conference on this program and that the project is an effort to increase civic engagement, improve understanding of how democracy operates, and encourage students to be actively engage citizens. Clarification was requested on the wording of the second part of the resolution. Senator Davis requested that additional information on the American Democracy Project be made available to the Faculty Senate.

Davis/Wozniak motioned that the executive Committee work with John Anderson to develop a more complete informational packet on this initiative. Senator Unruh offered a friendly amendment requesting information on activities be included in the materials. Motions were approved unanimously.

The Faculty Senate discussed Amendment 423 but took no action on the matter.
Elder/Darveau motioned that meeting adjourn. Motion was approved unanimously at 9:06 PM.