I. Call to order

II. Roll Call

At Large Senators: Present: Davis, Wozniak, Hansen;
CBT Senators: Present: Eshleman, Frickel, Trewin, Smith, Agrawal, Hall; Absent: Hughes;
COE Senators: Present: McCarty, Summar, Mollenkopf, Unruh, Fredrickson, Lewis; Absent: Bostic-Frederick;
CFAH Senators: Present: Nuss, White, Dimock, Snider, Hartman, Kruse, Wethington, Campbell;
CNSS Senators: Present: Borchard, Benz, Kelley, Rohrer, Combs, Darveau, Stevens; Absent: Miller, Lilly;
Library Senator: Present: Heidenreich;

III. Approval of Agenda Motion: Darveau (Hartman) Passed.

Motion to Suspend the Agenda. - Lewis (Miller) Passed.

Wozniak - Recognition of Dr. Finnie A. Murray for his Service to the University (see attached)
Wozniak (Darveau) Motion to Accept. Approved.

IV. Action on Faculty Senate Minutes of December 4, 2008

Davis (Lewis) - Approved

V. Special Presentations

A. Rick Miller – New Student Orientation - postponed
B. Jessy Hansen, Student Assessment Committee – Instructional Preferences – postponed.
C. John Lakey – Emergency Notification System

UNK Alert is the emergency notification system. It will be used to send email and text messaging in case of emergency. If you wish to use the text portion, you must register.

The system will support multiple languages – prerecorded message, if the prerecorded message fits. People can opt out of having the system use personal phones, but not for departmental/university phones.

University personnel are encouraged to review the system. Update your personal contact information on Firefly – ESS. You will need to use Firefly to log in to ESS. To log in – use login ID and password you were emailed; the system will resend your password if you have your login. If you have problems call ITS.

Once on Firefly, look under personal information; there are 4 types of addresses. Update permanent (students and employees) and local contact information. Emergency contact
can call within a specified radius of an address. Employees typically have work phone and home phone, but not cell. School closures can be announced as well as other emergency calls. If you don’t want the information in the directory, leave the X-dir 999. Only the primary phone number is published in the directory. If X-directory is on the first number, then you are not in the phone book. If you change the X-directory, then your number will be in the printed phone book.

The system is being tested. Increasing the number of contacts until it can reach the whole database. The call will be from 308-865-8911, and the email from UNK Alert.

If you need to change your work contact information, contact HR. You can add an alternate work phone for emergency contacts – the emergency system contacts every number.

Students also need to update their information on SIS.

Maintenance had been told to lock the rooms after cleaning (for room and building security). That has changed; they will unlock doors when they are done cleaning. We are looking for a solution to the security problem. We are looking for a means of being sure classrooms are locked up at the end of the day – after 5:00 PM. The outside doors are locked by campus security at 9 or 10:00 PM.

Faculty would like to know what the security problems are.

VI. Reports of Faculty Senate Standing Committees

A. Oversight Committee: **Minutes of January 29, 2009**
   Nomination – Jon Ritterbush to the AIT Committee - **Approved**

B. Executive Committee:

C. President’s Report: **February 5, 2009**
   SIS – what is going to happen for the SIS funding? The state is not planning extra funding. The money will have to be found so that the SIS implementation can continue.
   President Milliken is coming to campus to speak to the senate and faculty Thursday, 2/13 – COPE 131 @ 5:00PM – senate opted to have that on a separate night. Please come.

D. Academic Affairs: **Minutes of January 2009**
   No Comment.

E. Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee:

F. Academic Information and Technology Committee: **Minutes of December 2008 and January 26, 2009**
   Re: January 26th – what is the question regarding the outsourcing of student email. Student email will be outsourced. ITS is looking at Google – the motion to outsource generally (rather than a motion to have Google handle the email) allows ITS the flexibility to look at other providers. ITS and AIT are trying to keep the address look-up feature and looking into privacy issues. The Executive Council will discuss the change with administration.
   Please review the handout: Report on the “standard” smart classroom software. There can be additional software on machines, based on departmental needs. The listing for the Mac is missing iTunes and Quicktime, which is likely an oversight since those are
standard Mac programs. Senators should review the list with colleges. This issue will be on next month’s agenda.

G. Artists and Lecturers Committee:
H. Athletic Committee:
I. e-campus Committee:
J. Faculty Welfare Committee:
K. Grievance Committee:
L. Library Committee:
M. Professional Conduct Committee:
N. Student Affairs Committee:

VII. Reports of Senate Representatives to Non-Senate Committees

A. Assessment Committee:
B. Affirmative Action Commission:
C. Center for Teaching Excellence Advisory Committee: Minutes of December 8, 2008
   No Comment
D. Council of Chairs:
E. Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee:
F. Fees Committee:
G. First Year Experience Committee:
H. Gender Equity Committee:
I. Honors Council: Minutes of January 28, 2009
   Re: Comparisons – what is being compared? Different aspects of the honors programs at other institutions are being compared to ours. The Council is looking at the general nature of the program, what information is provided on the website to the incoming students, etc.
   Re: World Herald Scholars – departmental visits of incoming students are being requested with very little notice – both honors students and regular visiting. This information has been passed on to Mike Pelster and nothing has changed. Admissions is not providing adequate notice and necessarily allowing changes to visitation times
   Executive Council will raise the issue with administration.
   No comment.
K. Parking:
L. Student Retention Committee:
M. Safety Committee:
N. Strategic Planning:
O. Student Support Services Advisory Committee:
P. Technology Advisory Committee:
Q. Women’s Studies Advisory Committee: **Minutes of December 10, 2008**
   no Comment
R. WI/CD Committee:
S. Writing Center Advisory Committee:

VIII. Reports from Academic Councils
   A. Graduate Council: **Minutes of December 18, 2008**
      No comment.
   B. General Studies Council: **Minutes of December 4, 2008**
      No comment.

C. Council on Undergraduate Education:

IX. Unfinished Business

X. New Business
   A. Resolution honoring SVAA Finnie Murray (Moved to beginning of the meeting)
   B. Administration is looking for 2-3 nominations for College Dean (CBT and NSS) from each
department. Looking for nominations for Director of international studies. Nominations are due
2/25/2009. Send nominations to FS President Snider. President Snider took nominations from
the floor. Email other nominations to President Snider.

XI. General Faculty Comments

   Stevens: Dr. Longo has a proposal for how proportional pay reductions could be handled. There
are union & contractual issues that need to be considered, which means the union has to be
central in any kind of decision-making on this issue. This makes the ability to take action on this
proposal in the Faculty Senate difficult. The proposal should be discussed with UNKEA, Faculty
Welfare, and Staff Senate.

   Kelley: The first year program is under review.

   Wozniak: AIT please review the Interwrite system. Faculty are having difficulty using and
implementing the clickers. ITS needs to provide training – multiple opportunities for faculty due
to conflicting schedules.

   Borchard: A Holocaust survivor from the National Holocaust Museum and member of the
speaker’s bureau with be speaking February 23rd 7:00PM in theatre.

**Motion to adjourn** – Smith (Agrawal) **Passed**.

Respectfully Submitted – Aaron Dimock (Secretary)
A Resolution

Presented to

The Faculty Senate

of the

University of Nebraska at Kearney

February 5, 2009

Whereas, Dr. Finnie A. Murray, Jr. has served the University of Nebraska at Kearney since 2004 as Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and

Whereas, he has been a leader at the University of Nebraska at Kearney with strong academic values, who has promoted the development of the academic culture for both students and faculty, and

Whereas, he has supported the concept of shared governance and has acknowledged that the responsibility for academic decision-making belongs to the faculty, especially in the case of General Studies Renewal,

Whereas, he has helped maintain a steady course for UNK through some difficult challenges, including budget cuts and the North Central Association focused visit,

Whereas, he has been instrumental in developing innovative exchange programs in China and other countries that benefit faculty and students,

Whereas, he has sown the seeds of friendship, kindness, and good will among those who have had contact with him,

Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Kearney acknowledges his exceptional contributions to the University of Nebraska at Kearney through his faithful service and his personal vision. We express our deepest gratitude to him and wish him well in his future endeavors.