

**Minutes of the Senate ROTC committee meeting
February 22, 2008**

Members Present: Thad Rosenberger, Donna Pearson, Eric Murphy, Amebu Seddoh, Richard Fiordo, Douglas Peters, Haylee Cripe, LTC Kevin Sickinger, LTC Tony Williams, Kalen Stoddard

The meeting was called to order at 14:30 (2:30pm):

1. Introductions were made of the current membership and the current membership list was circulated with email addresses of all members.
2. The responsibilities and functions of the Senate ROTC committee were reviewed as described in the University of North Dakota, University Senate, Committee Manual, Page 34. There was one question regarding the responsibility of the committee concerning point, "5. Maintain and keep of the current committee web site". Thad Rosenberger will inquire as to the existence of this web site and how it is to be maintained.
3. Two documents describing both the Army and Air Force ROTC programs were circulated. These documents were copied from the UND Aerospace web site (URLs http://www.studentservices.aero.und.edu/f3_Additional%20Information/f2_Army%20ROTC/index.php and http://www.studentservices.aero.und.edu/f3_Additional%20Information/f1_Air%20Force%20ROTC/index.php). These documents contain a brief description of the programs including scholarship, cadet qualifications, and curriculum. LTCs Williams and Sickinger agreed to provide a brief 15 minute presentation outlining the mission and goals of the program for the next meeting.
4. The annual reports sent to the Senate dated April 2005 and May 2006 were reviewed. Those unresolved concerns listed in the May 2006 report were reviewed. Most of those points list in this report have been addressed or are currently being addresses with regards to the maintenance of the facilities in the Armory. LTC Sickinger noted that access to an indoor training facility continues to be an issue.

Business:

1. Review and approval of Army and Air force Cadre: LTC Sickinger noted that the committee has reviewed and approved his credentials prior to his taking command here at UND. The committee agreed. LTC Sickinger continued to brief the committee on the credentials of MAJ Robert Fugere, MAJ Joe Holman, SFC Stephen Pittman, and MAJ Darron Tolan. LTC Tony Williams briefed the committee on his credentials and those of CAPT Andrea Lamoreaux. Hardcopies of the biographical sketches of those cadre members discussed today, with the exception of CAPT Andrea Lamoreaux were distributed to the committee.

- a. **The committee voted unanimously to approve those Cadre members listed above.**
- b. LTC Sickinger noted that there will be more Cadre members to review next meeting and that he will forward those biographical sketches to the chairperson prior to that meeting.
2. The subject of the how the committee was to move forward with the curriculum review was brought forward by Thad Rosenberger. Donna Pearson, having experience with curriculum review, noted that this can be initiated by reviewing the course syllabi for those courses that comprise the ROTC curriculum. Thad Rosenberger suggested that since LTC Sickinger has already forwarded most of the course syllabi, that the committee begin with a review of the Army ROTC curriculum. LTC Sickinger noted to Mr. Rosenberger that he will forward the remaining syllabi. Thad Rosenberger agreed to make electronic copies of these documents and circulate them to the committee as soon as possible. Thus it is concluded that the Army ROTC curriculum will be reviewed in March 2008 and the Air Force ROTC will be reviewed in April 2008.
3. It was agreed that the next meeting be scheduled for March 14, 2008 at 15:00 (3:00pm) in Rm 3933 of the School of Medicine.

Discussion:

1. During the discussion period LTCs Sickinger and Williams noted the difficulty the ROTC programs are having trying to schedule training time for the cadets in the Hyslop building. This difficulty is due to scheduling difficulties with other UND athletic teams that also use the facility. They noted this problem is mainly due to teams blocking off training time in advance, which they later do not use. Donna Pearson agreed to look into the matter and try and determine if a solution could be reached. Thad Rosenberger asked that the committee be briefed as to any progress in the matter next meeting.
2. LTCs Sickinger and Williams also noted that they have been trying to convince the University to assign to them University housing that would allow them to be more competitive in their recruiting efforts. They have mentioned that inquires have been made in the past with little success. Committee member Donna Pearson agreed to look into the matter and will brief the committee on any progress.

Meeting was adjourned at 15:45 (3:45pm).