Minutes from the Third Education and Research Council Meeting of Fiscal Year 2009

1. Date and Time: Wednesday, June 24, 2009

3:03 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

2. Location: The Large Conference Room, 3rd floor of the Administrative Complex

3. Attendance:

Present:

Members: President Tsunoyama (Chair), Council Member Kuroda, Council

Member Mirenkov, Council Member Sagawa, Council Member Sedukhin, Council Member Oka, Council Member Ota, Council Member Orr, Council Member Miyazaki, Council Member Bhalla,

Council Member Kanemoto, Council Member Sasaki, Council Member Zhao, Council Member Watanabe (a total of 14 Council Members)

Non-members: Regent Iwase, and Administrative staff

4. Signatories to the Minutes: Council Member Ota, Council Member Sedukhin

5. Proceedings

[New Business]

A. Fiscal Year 2008 Project Achievement Report

Director General Kanno of the Administrative Office gave an explanation on this issue, based on distributed materials.

There were no questions particularly asked on this issue, and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

B. Selection of Regular Full-Time Faculty Members

Council Member Orr as the Coordinator of the relevant faculty selection committee gave an explanation on Assistant Professor Candidate Jason Ginsburg for the Center for Language Research based on distributed material.

The proposal would be put to a vote. As a result, a vote of confidence of more than three-fifths of the members in attendance was counted for the candidate, and the selection of candidates for a position of assistant professor was approved by the Council.

C. Parcial Revision of the Regulation on the Completion of University of Aizu
 Council Member Kanemoto, as the Director General of the Department for the Student

Affairs, gave an explanation on this issue based on distributed materials.

There were no questions particularly asked on this issue and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by show hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

[Report]

A. Outline for Selection of Student's for FY 2010 Admission

Council Member Kanemoto, as the Director General of the Department for Student Affairs, gave an explanation on this subject, based on distributed materials

There were no questions particularly on this report.

Minutes from the Fourth Education and Research Council Meeting of Fiscal Year 2009

1. Date and Time: Wednesday, September 16, 2009

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

2. Location: The Large Conference Room, 3rd floor of the Administrative Complex

3. Attendance:

Present:

Members: President Tsunoyama (Chair), Council Member Kuroda, Council

Member Sagawa, Council Member Sedukhin, Council Member Ota, Council Member Orr, Council Member Miyazaki, Council Member Kanemoto, Council Member Sasaki, Council Member Zhao, Council

Member Watanabe (a total of 11 Council Members)

Non-members: Regent Iwase, and Administrative staff

4. Signatories to the Minutes: Council Member Sagawa, Council Member Orr

5. Proceedings

[New Business]

A. Outline for Establishment of a Post of Special Honorary Professor at the University of Aizu (Draft)

President Tsunoyama gave an explanation on this issue, based on distributed material.

A Council Member asked whether there would be a chance that professors outside the University could be nominated for the post. President Tunoyama replied that it had not been expected to nominate professors outside the University for the post, but that only professors who had made a considerable contribution to education and research at the University of Aizu would be subject to nomination for the post.

There were no other questions particularly asked on this issue, and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

B. Internal Promotion from the Position of Assistant Professor to Associate Professor

President Tsunoyama gave an explanation on three candidates for promotion to associate professor, based on distributed material.

The proposal would be put to a vote. As results, a vote of confidence of more than three-fifths of the member in attendance was counted for the candidates, and the promotion of three candidates were approved by the Council.

C. Internal Promotion from the Position of Assistant Lecturer to Assistant Professor

President Tsunoyama gave an explanation on one candidate for promotion from the position of assistant lecturer to assistant professor, based on distributed material.

The proposal would be put to a vote. As results, a vote of confidence of more than three-fifths of the member in attendance was counted for the candidates, and the promotion of a candidate was approved by the Council.

[Others]

A. An external Council Member expressed an opinion, stating that he had an impression that the well-developed educational system and outstanding research achievements at the University had not been adequately conveyed to high school students.

Minutes from the Fifth Education and Research Council Meeting of Fiscal Year 2009

1. Date and Time: Wednesday, October 28, 2009

4:30 p.m. – 5:23 p.m.

2. Location: The Large Conference Room, 3rd floor of the Administration Complex

3. Attendance:

Present:

Members: President Tsunoyama (Chair), Council Member Kuroda, Council

Member Mirenkov, Council Member Sagawa, Council Member Oka,
Council Member Ota, Council Member Miyazaki, Council Member
Bhalla, Council Member Kanemoto, Council Member Sasaki, Council
Member Zhao, Council Member Shinjo (a total of 12 Council Members)

Non-members: Regent Iwase, and administrative staff

4. Signatories to the Minutes: Council Member Miyazaki, Council Member Zhao

5. Proceedings

[New Business]

A. Employment of Individuals for the Position of Full Professor at the Center for Cultural Research and Studies

President Tsunoyama gave an explanation regarding this issue, based on the document labeled "New Business A," which had been distributed to members of the Council.

There were no questions particularly asked and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

B. Procedures for Selection of Individuals for Faculty Positions

President Tsunoyama gave an explanation on this issue, based on the document labeled "New Business B," which had been distributed to members of the Council.

There were no questions particularly asked and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

6. Others

A. Recent Situations of the University of Aizu

Council Member Kanemoto, Director General of the Department for the Student Affairs,

gave an explanation on this issue, based on the document labeled "Other A," which had been distributed to members of the Council.

Opinions were exchanged among Council Members regarding support to decrease of the number of students who had to repeat a year or more.

Minutes from the Sixth Education and Research Council of the Public University Corporation, the University of Aizu in Fiscal Year 2009

Date and Time: Friday, December 18, 2009
 4:00 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.

2. Location: The Large Conference Room, 3rd floor of the Administration Complex

Attendance:

Present:

Members: President Tsunoyama (Chair), Council Member Kuroda,

Council Member Mirenkov, Council Member Sagawa, Council Member Sedukhin, Council Member Oka, Council Member Miyazaki, Council Member Kanemoto, Council Member Sasaki, Council Member Zhao, Council Member

Watanabe (a total of 11 Council Members)

Non-members: Regent Iwase and administrative staff

4. Signatories to the Minutes: Council Member Sasaki, Council Member Zhao

5. Proceedings

[New Business]

A. Selection of Full-Time Faculty Members

Council Member Sagawa, as a coordinator for Faculty Search Committee for the Division of Computer Science, provided an explanation on Dr. Ihor Lubashevsky, a candidate for a position of professor, based on the document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

After presentation of the explanations, the Committee took a vote. As a result of the voting, a vote of confidence of more than three fifths of the members in attendance was obtained for the candidate. It was decided on selection of Dr. Ihor Lubashevsky as a full-time faculty member.

*Council Member Mirenkov left the room before deliberation on New Business Item B.

document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

B. Appointment as a Special Honorary Professor at the University of Aizu President Tsunoyama gave an explanation regarding Professor Nikolay Mirenkov, an expected Special Honorary Professor at the University of Aizu, based on the Council Members asked questions regarding the status of a Special Honorary Professor at the University of Aizu. After that, the Committee took a vote by a show of hands. As a result of the voting, a vote of confidence of more than two thirds of the members in attendance was obtained. Professor Mirenkov was approved to be appointed as Special Honorary Professor at the University of Aizu for one year from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011.

*Council Member Mirenkov reentered the room after deliberation on New Business Item B

(2) Report

A. Applications for the Selection of Students by Admission Recommendation for AY 2010

Council Member Kanemoto, as Director General of the Department for the Student Affairs, provided an explanation on this subject, based on the document labeled "Report A," which had been distributed to members of the Council.

Council Members exchanged opinions on the issue of the low number of examinees from the prestigious high schools in Fukushima Prefecture.

Minutes from the Seventh Education and Research Council of the Public University Corporation, the University of Aizu in Fiscal Year 2009

1. Date and Time: Wednesday, January 27, 2010

3:00 p.m. – 3:27 p.m.

2. Location: The Large Conference Room, 3rd floor of the Administration Complex

3. Attendance:

Present:

Members: President Tsunoyama (Chair), Council Member Kuroda,

Council Member Mirenkov, Council Member Sagawa, Council Member Oka, Council Member Ota, Council Member Orr, Council Member Kanemoto, Council Member Sasaki, Council Member Zhao (a total of 10 Council

Members)

Non-members: Regent Iwase and administrative staff

4. Signatories to the Minutes: Council Member Kuroda, Council Member Mirenkov

5. Proceedings

[New Business]

A. Selection of Regular Full-Time Faculty Members

Council Member Ota, as a coordinator for Faculty Search Committee, provided an explanation regarding promotion of Koji Goto, an Associate Professor at the Center for Cultural Research and Studies, for a position of Professor, based on the document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

Next, Professor Shigaku Tei, as Director of the University-Business Innovation Center, provided an explanation regarding reappointment of Assistant Professor Mizuo Kansen, an Assistant Professor at the University-Business Innovation Center, based on the document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

After presentation of the explanations, the Committee took a vote. As a result of the voting, a vote of confidence of more than three fifths of the members in attendance was obtained for both candidates. The proposals on promotion of Associate Professor Koji Goto to Professor and reappointment of Assistant Professor Mizuo Kansen as Assistant Professor were approved by the Council.

Minutes from the Eighth Education and Research Council of the Public University Corporation, the University of Aizu in Fiscal Year 2009

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 17, 2010
 3:00 p.m. – 3:59 p.m.

2. Location: The Large Conference Room, 3rd floor of the Administration Complex

3. Attendance:

Present:

Members: President Tsunoyama (Chair), Council Member Kuroda,

Council Member Mirenkov, Council Member Sagawa, Council Member Sedukhin, Council Member Oka, Council Member Ota, Council Member Orr, Council Member Miyazaki, Council Member Bhalla, Council Member Kanemoto, Council Member Sasaki, Council Member

Shinjo (a total of 13 Council Members)

Non-members: Administrative staff

4. Signatories to the Minutes: Council Member Sagawa, Council Member Sedukhin

Proceedings[New Business]

* Council Member Mirenkov left the room before deliberation on New Business Item A.

A. Conferment of the Title of Professor Emeritus

President Tsunoyama provided an explanation regarding Professor Nikolay Mirenkov, an expected conferrer of the title of Professor Emeritus, based on the document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

There were no questions, etc. particularly asked on this issue, and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. As a result of the voting, a vote of confidence of more than two thirds of the members in attendance was obtained, and Professor Nikolay Mirenkov was approved to be a conferrer of the title of Professor Emeritus.

^{*}Professor Mirenkov reentered the room after deliberation of New Business Item A.

B. Establishment of Regulations and Partial Revision of the Ruling on the University of Aizu, etc. in line with Introduction of an Early Graduation System (Draft)

Council Member Kanemoto, Director General of the Department for the Student Affairs, gave an explanation regarding establishment of regulations and partial revision of the Ruling on the University of Aizu, etc. in line with the introduction of an early graduation system, based on the document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

A question was raised by Council Members regarding the background of establishing regulations. In response to this, the question was answered that preparation of this issue had been in progress in order to increase the ratio of excellent students to advance to the Graduate School.

There were no other questions, etc. particularly asked on this issue, and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

C. Partial Revision of the University Regulation on the Completion of University of Aizu Studies (Draft)

Council Member Kanemoto, Director General of the Department for the Student Affairs, gave an explanation regarding partial revision of the University Regulation on the Completion of University of Aizu Studies, based on the document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

There were no questions, etc. particularly asked on this issue, and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

(2) Report

A. Applications for the AY 2010 General Selection Entrance Examination (First Period)

Council Member Kanemoto, Director General of the Department for the Student Affairs, gave an explanation regarding applications for the AY 2010 general selection entrance examination, based on the document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

Two proposals were made by Council Members; one was on conducting of entrance examinations in the Kansai area, and the other was on further enhancement of the University website as the renewal of the website resulted in increase of the number of applicants.

B. The Designing Outline of Housing Facility to Support Learning for Students at the

University of Aizu (University Dormitory)(Provisional Name)

Council Member Kanno, Director General of the Department for the Student Affairs, gave an explanation regarding the designing outline of a housing facility to Support Learning for Students at the University of Aizu, based on the document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

Council Members exchanged their opinions regarding visual appearance, the sale of naming rights, etc. of the University Dormitory.

Minutes from the Ninth Education and Research Council of the Public University Corporation, the University of Aizu in Fiscal Year 2009

Date and Time: Wednesday, March 24, 2010
 3:01 p.m. – 3:53 p.m.

2. Location: The Large Conference Room, 3rd floor of the Administration Complex

Attendance:

Present:

Members: President Tsunoyama (Chair), Council Member Kuroda,

Council Member Mirenkov, Council Member Sagawa, Council Member Oka, Council Member Ota, Council Member Orr, Council Member Miyazaki, Council Member Bhalla, Council Member Kanemoto, Council Member Sasaki, Council Member Shinjo (a total of 12 Council

Members)

Non-members: Administrative staff

4. Signatories to the Minutes: Council Member Oka, Council Member Orr

- 5. Proceedings
 - (1) New Business
 - A. Draft of the Annual Plans of the Public University Corporation, the University of Aizu for FY 2010

Director General Kanno of the Administrative Office provided an explanation on this subject, based on a document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

There were no questions particularly asked on this issue, and it was decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

B. Partial Revision of the University Regulation on the Completion of University of Aizu Studies (Draft)

Council Member Mirenkov, as Dean of the Graduate School, provided an explanation on this subject, based on a document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

There were no other questions particularly asked on this issue, and it was

decided that the proposal would be put to a vote by a show of hands. A count showed majority approval, and the proposal was approved by the Council.

(2) Report

A. Successful Applicants for the AY 2010 General Selection Entrance Examinations (First period)

Council Member Kanemoto, as Director General of the Department for Student Affairs, provided an explanation on this subject, based a document which had been distributed to members of the Council.

(3) Other

Opinions were exchanged among Council members regarding measures and handlings to be taken in the future for students' health and financial problems which were the main reasons students expressed when making applications for withdrawal and leaves of absence from the University.