

Minutes of the Salisbury University Faculty Senate
May 10, 2011
Holloway Hall, Rm. 119

Senators Present: Thomas Anderson , Mara Chen, J. Craig Clarke, Douglas DeWitt, Theodore Gilkey, John Kalb, Kashi Khazeh, Kurt Ludwick , E. Patrick McDermott, Darrell Mullins, Vera Street, David Rieck, Donna Ritenour, Michael Scott, Kristen Walton, Adam Wood

Newly Elected Senators Present: Danny Ervin, David Parker, Elizabeth Ragan, David Shuhy, Bart Talbert

Senators Absent: Starlin Weaver, Gail Welsh

I. Senate President Rieck called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.; a quorum was present.

II. Minutes: The Minutes of April 26 were approved.

III. Announcements from President Dudley-Eshbach:

1. Thanked the Faculty Senate for its service in the past year and looked forward to continuing that work next year.
2. Offered a farewell and thanks to outgoing Associate Provost Bob Tardiff.
3. Noted that, despite the grim financial climate, SU fared relatively well; discussed the upcoming 3% (system wide) + 3% (SU) tuition increase.
4. Announced that the new Library was in the works for 2015, though hopefully could be moved up to 2014.

IV. Introduction of new Senators, thanks given to outgoing Senators.

V. The gavel was formally handed over to incoming Senate President Ted Gilkey

VI. Election of officers:

1. Craig Clarke, Vice President
2. Tom Anderson, Recording Secretary
3. Kurt Ludwick, Webmaster

VII. Senator Khazeh went on record, expressing his personal concerns that:

1. The voice of the Senate was not, in fact, congruent with the actual voice of the faculty,
2. There was an unfortunate lack of involvement by the faculty at large in terms of voting on the election of Senators and Senate related issues, and
3. For the past few years, there have been occasional personal attacks against faculty members, department chairs and, on a more regular basis, members of the administration. Not only does this display a lack of collegiality on the part of the individual attacker(s), but the continued tolerance of such attacks runs the risk of an appearance that the rest of the Senate as a whole approves of such behavior.

VIII. CUSF Report:

1. Noted that discussions about early and phase retirements were back on the table
2. Noted that there were continued discussions about the tuition remission policy.

IX. Meeting adjourned at 4:17.

Minutes submitted by Adam Wood, Senate Recording Secretary