

**Faculty Senate  
HH 119  
3:30 pm, February 18, 2003  
Minutes**

**Present:** E. Curtin, J. DeRidder, N. Hopson, V. Hutchinson, R. Long, D. Marshall, J. McCallops, P. McDermott, R. McKenzie, K. Milner, M. Mitchell, S. Muller, M. O'Loughlin, D. Parker, D. Rieck, D. Rotondo, D. Whaley

**Absent:** D. Mathews

**Announcements** - Rich McKenzie, Chair  
Dr. McKenzie had no announcements.

**Remarks from the Provost** - David Buchanan

Dr. Buchanan reminded the senate of the open meeting the president will be holding on Thursday, Feb. 20, at 3:30 in Holloway Hall.

He also reminded us that there would be an open meeting at 1 p.m. on February 22 at U.M.E.S. with the Tuition and Fee Task Force. Salisbury University will be sending a bus with students to the meeting, and Dr. Buchanan encouraged faculty to attend as well.

Finally, he reported that we have even more applications for admission to the 2003-2004 freshman class than we had last year.

**Approval Of Minutes**

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**Business:**

Faculty Emeritus Motion - Elizabeth Curtin

Dr. Curtin proposed a motion to change the process for granting faculty the title of *Professor Emeritus*.

She moved

**"That, beginning in the semester before retirement, any retiring faculty can be nominated for the title of *Professor Emeritus* by any member of the Salisbury University Faculty via a brief letter of nomination to the provost and that the provost will forward those letters of nomination to the University Promotions Committee for their consideration during a meeting in the final semester of the retiring faculty member's service.**

The Faculty Handbook copy will change on p. 107:

**2. Beginning in the semester before retirement**, faculty may be nominated for the title of *Professor Emeritus* by any member of the Salisbury University faculty via a brief letter of nomination to the provost.

3. The provost will forward letters of nomination to the Committee on Promotions for their consideration during ~~the annual faculty promotions process~~ **a meeting in the final semester of the faculty member's service. The Committee on Promotions may recommend that a retiring faculty member should be granted the title effective immediately on retirement."**

**Vote: 15 in favor, 0 opposed; the motion passed.**

Faculty Development Committee - Richard Bowler/Don Whaley

Dr. Bowler presented the Faculty Development Committee's statement on the use of travel funds, a response to the Fiscal Advisory Committee's recommendations of January 21, 2003. (see attached)

**Mr. Whaley moved that the Faculty Senate endorse the document. The motion was seconded. Vote: 16 in favor, 0 opposed; Motion passed.**

Dr. Bowler presented the Faculty Development Committee's statement on institutional support for faculty development. **Mr. Whaley moved that the Faculty Senate endorse the document.** The motion was seconded. After considerable discussion about what the statement would mean given that the senate did not have information about which funds were competing with which, Dr. McDermott offered and Mr. Whaley accepted a friendly amendment that emphasized that endorsement of the Faculty Development document was not "passing on the priority of one area of cost cutting over another." (Revised document attached.)

**Vote: 11 in favor, 4 (including president) no, 1 abstention. Motion passed.**

Academic Freedom and Tenure - Doug Marshall

Dr. Marshall indicated that the full discussion of the Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee's proposal would be at next week's meeting. He did address one of the concerns that had been sent to him and his committee concerning make-up of tenure committees, particularly as they applied for small departments. (Concerns and responses attached below.)

**Adjournment: 5:03 p.m.**