

MINUTES: October 16 2001

Location: HH 119 3 PM

Senators present: Carolyn Bowden Elizabeth Curtin Jerome DeRidder Greg Ferrence Kathleen Fox Victoria Hutchinson John Kalb Robert Long Doug Marshall Jim McCallops Richard McKenzie Ken Milner Dave Parker David Rieck Denise Rotondo Kathleen Shannon Don Whaley

1. Opening: Rich McKenzie

Rich thanked Senators for their support during his absence. He still needs names of Chairs for Faculty Mediation and Athletics Committees.

2. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes were approved unanimously with changes.

3. Provost Comments: David Buchanan

President Janet Dudley-Eshbach met with President's Advisory Team to update them on campus happenings. Provost and President will meet (week of October 22) with Long Range Planning Committee to look at Strategic Plan.

Provost met with Graduate Council to discuss possible doctoral programs. Graduate Council has been designated as a small task force to work with Deans and faculty prior to inclusion of larger group. First step is to look at market and cost.

A new symbol will be used to designate those students who are called to military service. Students can withdraw with refund or receive an "incomplete" with arrangements to complete work later. Faculty are encouraged to work with those students on a case-by-case basis so they are not at any disadvantage.

The campus was hit by the “nimda” virus which created server problems. Information Technology has been working around the clock to repair the problem.

4. Human Resources Director: Donna Keener

Human Resources Department is seeking input to meet the needs of faculty and staff. They will continue to seek feedback on a regular basis.

On October 30 and 31 information sessions will be held to educate employees on Collective Bargaining and what it will mean for the Salisbury University campus. It is likely that the SU campus will be the first in the the System to conduct an election on the issue.

Keener is working with Jill Caviglia-Harris and others to create an accurate listing of all university employees.

Maartin Pereboom requested that information packets be available to Deans for sharing with new hires.

5. Old Business:

The Senate unanimously approved specific language changes of the proposed Bylaws amendments.

The Senate unanimously approved the ballot to accompany the proposed Bylaws amendments revisions.

6. New Business:

Membership and Elections Committee: Jill Caviglia-Harris

Pending editorial changes the Senate unanimously approved the Procedures document.

7. Other:

The Senate unanimously approved a motion to have the Promotions Committee handle nominations and screening of candidates for Honorary Degrees. The Bylaws will need to be changed to reflect this additional charge to the committee.

Meeting adjourned: 5:00 PM

Recorder

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