

Faculty Senate

Minutes: March 12 2002

Senators Attending: C. Bowden E. Curtin J. DeRidder G. Ferrence Jim Files V. Hutchinson R. Long D. Marshall R. McKenzie K. Milner M. Mitchell M. O'Loughlin D. Rieck D. Whaley

I. Announcements: Rich McKenzie

Replacements are needed to serve remainder of terms for Jim McCallops and Dave Parker.

II. Provost Comments: David Buchanan

Full-time Benefits: Small team working on this. Cal Thomas will serve as Dept. Chair on committee. Collecting information. One or more plans should be available for Senate review by April 16.

Proposed Gen Ed Models: Kathleen Shannon et al have beginnings of report on several models. Up to \$500 0 possible figure. Working with campus-wide Assessment Committee since assessment may be a priority area to be addressed. Gen Ed will require overseer...may be reassigned faculty member (half-time) which will selected by a faculty search committee. Plan is to have person in place by fall. Need screening committee to write job description. Senate is requested to move forward on this.

III. Campus Party: Barry King

Report from Student Affairs re: website generated party on campus. Student Affairs sending letters to parents and students. Goal is to avoid repeat of last year's party. Meetings are being held with students to exchange information and quell rumors. Student Affairs monitoring website and encourage students to not attend. Danger is in large crowds of students.

IV. Senate Vice President

David Rieck elected. Approved unanimously (13-0).

V. Web Voting: Diane Davis

Approximately 125 people voted online. There were few difficulties (username librarians) but IT was able to resolve this. Motion made to endorse web-based voting. Passed with 8 for 4 against 1 abstention.

There was request from Senate to provide paper ballots for the next couple of elections. Committee will be available to assist voters who need help with computer process.

VI. Sabbatical Requests: Lisa Seldomridge

Recommendations from Faculty Welfare Committee for revision/updating of sabbatical forms and guidelines was presented. A motion to endorse the document was made and passed with 10 voting for 1 against 2 abstentions.

Another motion was made to charge the Faculty Welfare Committee to review its role in the sabbatical process. Passed with 10 for 2 against 1 abstention.

VII. Discipline Policy: Elizabeth Curtin/Linda Beale

Information was shared with re: new discipline policy for non-exempt staff. President Dudley-Eshbach stated that it was a way to codify procedure. Concerns had been voiced by staff regarding how document had been expedited prior to union vote. The discussion between Staff Senate and Donna Keaner led to request by Staff Senate to seek support from Faculty Senate to obtain clarification of the policy and to determine if the policy was an existing policy or a new policy.

Meeting adjourned: 5:15

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