

November 10, 2009 Faculty Senate Agenda
Holloway Hall, Room 119
(3:30-5:00 p.m.)

1. Approval of minutes from the Faculty Senate Meetings of October 13, 2009 and October 27, 2009.
2. Announcements from the Senate President.
Sen. Gilkey and Sen. O'Loughlin – Resolution of Commendation (see attached)
3. Remarks from the Provost, Dr. Diane Allen.
4. Committee Reports:
Membership & Elections (see attached motion)
5. Unfinished Business: None
6. New Business:
Sen. Ludwick – The Archives
Sen. Parker – Anonymous Student Evaluations
8. Adjournment.

Motion: Senators Ted Gilkey and Michael O'Loughlin

Resolved:

On behalf of the entire faculty, the Faculty Senate of Salisbury University wishes to express its warm appreciation to the Administration, particularly Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach and Dr. Diane Allen, President and Provost of Salisbury University respectively, for their successful efforts ensuring that the masters degree program in Education Leadership maintains its leadership role within the region and not be compromised by efforts from other institutions within the Maryland system. In these tough financial times, we all need to work especially hard collectively to ensure that all of our programs remain healthy and viable in the state.

From Membership and Elections
Department committee eligibility recommendation

We recommend that the following change to the ByLaws in **Article VI** be made:

Section 4. Different Departments Disciplines:

- No Senate Standing Committee shall have two elected members from any one academic department ~~discipline. The term "academic discipline" shall normally mean "academic department" or "library although the Senate may determine that a given academic department includes two or more academic disciplines.~~

Related issues:

- Original Charge to the committee included direction to “Investigate the committee eligibility criteria,” “investigate the distinction made between ‘disciplines’ and ‘departments’ and determine their relevance for eligibility,” and “bring a policy recommendation”
- Membership and Election Committee members discussed this issue with chairs of each department on campus
- This recommended change was not unanimously endorsed by all faculty contacted or by all Membership and Election Committee members
- As part of a larger initiative by the Membership and Election Committee members to encourage faculty participation in faculty government, committee members from each of the respective schools will attempt to address issues of eligibility for nominees during the nomination process

