

Faculty Senate Minutes
April 29, 2014

- I. Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 2:08 pm.
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Members present:

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| Tammy Esteves | Tom Kolasa | Jonathan Harrington | Ruth Elder |
| Lane Eckis | Ronald Shehane | Dianne Eppler | David Carlson |
| Maureen Casile | Richard Scott Nokes | Johanna Alberich | John Jinright |
| Dionne Rosser-Mims | Cheron Hunter Davis | Jonathan Taylor | Gina Mariano |
 - b. Members absent:

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| Richard Voss- absent with notice | Trellys Riley- absent with notice |
| Steven Taylor- absent with notice | John Boncek- absent with notice |
| Mark Van Hooser- absent with notice | Christi Magrath- absent with notice |
| Keri Outlaw- absent with notice | Deborah Rushing |
- III. President's Report-Scott Nokes discussed the University Research Council. They have been busy with research and creative works showcases. He encouraged the Chair of Academic Affairs to attend URC future meetings.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - a. Executive Committee: Scott Nokes said that this committee met, set the agenda, and discussed other issues such as the visibility of the Senate. They would like to make things that the Senate does visible to the faculty.
 - b. Committee on Committees: Tom Kolasa reported on the eTroy Colloquium committee.
 - c. Elections Committee: Johanna Alberich-no report
 - d. Academic Affairs Committee: Jonathan Harrington reported on some Office of Sponsored Programs announcements. May 3 is the Wiregrass Blues Fest at the Wiregrass Museum of Art. From June 9-13, there will be a Math and Science Camp. The Troy Center for International Business and Academic Development secured a grant for a water usage project. Jonathan also discussed and updated the Senate on the course copy issue. The university believes that the copyright info in the handbook is clear and will probably not be changing it. Administration is sensitive to faculty views on this issue. On April 11, this issue was brought up at the annual department chair training. Dr. Ingram reiterated the university policy (that Troy holds broad copyright) to the department chairs. Basically, anything we create for student consumption is the university's property. Chairs are not allowed to ask for permission for this property. He broke the chairs into groups to discuss the problem. The chairs came to the conclusion that it should be handled in a responsible way. He announced that eTroy will no longer be able to copy courses on their own. Department chairs will have final approval. Departments should create a master course shell. Jonathan recommended that faculty wanting to know more information about this topic should discuss it with their chairs.

- e. Faculty Welfare Committee: Steven Taylor announced that the faculty survey will be postponed until the fall.
 - f. Education Technology: Mark VanHooser-no report
- V. Campus Reports
- a. Dothan Campus: Richard Voss reported that the Dothan-Houston County Economic Council—previously known as the Entrepreneurship Group of the Dothan Economic Summit on Jobs—joined with the City of Dothan to present a public workshop last week called “Doing Business with the City of Dothan.” Turnout was strong, including many active entrepreneurs. The Sorrell College of Business at Dothan organizes the Dothan Economic Summit on Jobs, whose various task groups are active year-round. The next day, the Sorrell College of Business at Dothan helped sponsor this year’s Wiregrass Economic Forum, featuring Dr. David D. Bronner, CEO of Retirement Systems of Alabama.
 - b. Global Campus: Tammy Esteves said that there is not much going on and that all of the sites are actively recruiting for the fall.
 - c. Montgomery Campus: Tom Kolasa noted that this campus had a town hall meeting with Dr. Ingram that went well. Topics discussed were: advertising and nine week term conversion. There will be a change as to how advising is being done and the STAR Club will have elections.
 - d. Phenix City Campus: Trellys Riley reported that on May 10, the Phenix City Campus will host the ISCO (International Students Culture Organization) from TROY. They will take a ride down the Chattahoochee on the longest urban whitewater in the country and then will tour the campus and enjoy a lunch with faculty. On May 30, the spring 2014 Commencement ceremony will be held at the Civic Center in Columbus, Georgia. The campus is continuing their Book Drive through May 2. Two Phenix City MBA students were finalists in the 2014 SCOB Research Showcase (Francesca Dye and Dwayne McClenton) and Jana Torres received the Accounting Achievement Award from the Alabama Society of Certified Public Accountants Awards.
 - e. Troy Campus: Steven Taylor-no report
 - f. Library: Ruth Elder-no report
- VI. SGA-Faculty Senate Liaisons:
- a. Dothan- Richard Voss announced that the Dothan SGA held a successful election to fill next year’s large number of projected vacancies. The President will be Sarah Gwarek, a junior in the Sorrell College of Business, majoring in Global Management. The Secretary will be Brittani Williams, a sophomore in the College of Health and Human Services, majoring in Social Work. The Treasurer will be Rebecca English, a senior in the Sorrell College of Business, majoring in Accounting. We will also have two new SGA Senators, Amelia Holland and Alexis Vincent. Next year’s position of SGA Vice President remains vacant for the moment.
 - b. Montgomery-Tom Kolasa told the Senate that the Montgomery SGA had elections and filled all posts. They are also working on a social media presence.
 - c. Troy-no report

- VII. Old Business
 - a. Ad Hoc Committee on Distal and Partially-Distal Faculty Support-Tammy Esteves is working with Dionne Rosser-Mims. They are trying to find the number of distal faculty. They currently have found 52. They will send them a survey when they find them all to see what they may need.
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Announcement of Faculty Senate Excellence Award Winner-Sheryl Matney won this award. The Senate had money in the account to pay for this award.
- IX. Adjourn- There was a motion to adjourn by Jonathan Harrington. It was seconded by James Cargal. The meeting was adjourned at 2:08 pm.