

## FACULTY SENATE

### Minutes

27 September, 2011

1. Call to Order- 2:04 pm

2. Roll Call

a. Members present:

Tammy Esteves	Tom Kolasa	Marty Olliff	Treyllis Riley
Steven Taylor	Brian Webb	Jonathan Harrington	Govind Menon
Murray Widener	John Irwin	Richard Voss	Richard Scott Nokes
Johanna Alberich	Jim Davis	Ben Robertson	Cheron Hunter
Dodie Meier	Tracey Hodges		

b. Members absent:

Lane Eckis	Michael Burgan	Debra Lett(with notice)
Regina Gaillard (with notice)	Bill Heisler (with notice)	Bob Kitahara (with notice)
Kris Ross (with notice)		

3. Approval of August Minutes-There was a motion by Scott Nokes and a second by Ben Robertson to accept the minutes as amended

4. President's Report

A. Elections-the results of the elections are as follows. All are one year appointments after a resolution was passed last year.

- i. University Review Committee (Ben Robertson, Scott Nokes)
- ii. Personnel Committee (Johanna Alberich, Richard Voss, Bob Kitahara; Alternate Jonathan Harrington)
- iii. Campus Climate Survey Committee (Murray Widener; Alternate Cheron Hunter)

B. President's Correspondence

- i. Letter of Appreciation to Chancellor and Mrs. Hawkins- has been sent

C. Other

- i. College of Education Vacancy and Special Election-ongoing
- ii. Campus Climate Survey Committee report

5. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee-met last Wednesday approved agenda for today's meeting

B. Committee on Committees-Dr. Kolasa stated that a handout had been sent regarding university wide standing committees. He asked that members of this committee send him information. He also stated that he will monitor websites for information.

C. Elections Committee: Johanna Alberich

- i. College of Education Special Election-currently being held

D. Academic Affairs Committee: Marty Olliff-no report

E. Faculty Welfare Committee: Steven Taylor-no report

- i. Lecturer Study-no action has been taken

## F. Campus Reports

### i. Dothan Campus: Marty Olliff-no report

Dr. Olliff asked about the status of College of Arts & Science's Dean search. He was told that there is a committee reviewing the applications and information is forthcoming.

ii. Global Campus: Tammy Esteves reported that there have been commencements in Asia and that the Confucius Institute had a meeting in China.

iii. Montgomery Campus: Tom Kolasa reported that there was a stalking case on campus that was handled within two days. There is progress on getting a SGA. Property has been purchased to help with parking problems.

iv. Phenix City Campus: Trellys Riley reported that the KDP 1<sup>st</sup> annual Fall Fling is still underway. The private security company no longer is being used and they now have campus police.

v. Troy Campus: Steven Taylor-no report

vi. Library: Brian Webb-no report

G. SGA-Faculty Senate Liaisons-The Faculty Senate is still looking for somebody to be the liaison to attend SGA meetings on Tuesdays.

Dothan-their SGA is ready to assist Montgomery with their formation of the SGA

6. Old Business-none

7. New Business

A. Faculty Senate Communications with Faculty: Jim Davis-The campus representatives should send out newsletters with links to the minutes and send them information. Current minutes and information needs to be updated. There was discussion on whether or not there should be a unified newsletter. This issue will be addressed at the next Executive Committee.

B. Student Athlete Absence Excuse Forms-Some faculty expressed concerns because they are not receiving absence excuse forms. For any extracurricular activities and athletics, students are given a letter to show to their teacher. If they do not show faculty their excuse, then their absence is unexcused.

C. Other: Dr. Ingram visited the Dothan, Montgomery, Global Campus and Phenix City campus for a town hall meeting with faculty/staff on those campuses. Next Wednesday from 2:30-4:30 (October 5), and Thursday, October 6, from 1-3, there will be a town hall meeting on the Troy campus. There is no agenda, but just an opportunity to ask questions and respond.

Taylor brought up concerns about changes to family members taking courses. He recommended that the issue be referred to the Faculty Welfare Committee. There was a motion by Taylor. It was seconded by Murray and sent to FWC for review. Dr. Ingram stated that HR visited a meeting last spring and discussed the changes in this policy.

8. There was a motion by Kolasa for adjournment at 2:46 pm.