

**Faculty Senate Minutes
March 26, 2014**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Members present:

Tammy Esteves	Tom Kolasa	Richard Voss	Trellys Riley
Steven Taylor	Jonathan Harrington	John Boncek	Lane Eckis
Mark Van Hooser	Richard Scott Nokes	Ronald Shehane	Dianne Eppler
Johanna Alberich	John Jinright	Christi Magrath	David Carlson
Gina Mariano	Jonathan Taylor	Cheron Hunter Davis	
 - b. Members absent:

Keri Outlaw	Maureen Casile	Deborah Rushing- absent with notice
Dionne Rosser-Mims- absent with notice	Ruth Elder- absent with notice	
- III. President's Report-Scott Nokes welcomed the new senators, Gina Mariano and Jonathan Taylor. He reported that he met with Earl Ingram and Jonathan Harrington to work on various issues.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - a. Executive Committee: Scott Nokes said that this committee met and set this agenda.
 - b. Committee on Committees: Tom Kolasa reported on the Undergraduate Academic Council. This committee made some small changes such as adding concentrations and changes in the handbook. Look online for details.
 - c. Elections Committee: Johanna Alberich-no report
 - d. Academic Affairs Committee: Jonathan Harrington discussed a few things going on from the Office of Sponsored Programs. Earth week is coming up and the Wiregrass Blues Festival is also coming up. He also reported that this committee is continuing to work with senior administration on the intellectual property issue.
 - e. Faculty Welfare Committee: Steven Taylor told the Senate that this committee are continuing to work on the faculty survey on morale.
 - f. Education Technology: Mark VanHooser noted that the Faculty One Stop page has been sent to IT and that it should be up soon.
- V. Campus Reports
 - a. Dothan Campus: Richard Voss brought up some concerns regarding marketing policies that were discussed during the previous Faculty Senate meeting. These concerns will be brought up under new business. He also reported some upcoming events. Thursday, March 28, is the second monthly seminar of the new Dothan-Houston County Economic Council, a group formed with the help of TROY's Dothan Campus faculty. The seminar will take place at the Mixson small-business incubator in downtown Dothan. TROY's Dothan Campus will soon begin offering a Master of Social Work.

- b. Global Campus: Tammy Esteves noted that the eColloquium will be next week. She is working with the international global campus sites. Orlando will have a summer speaker series.
- c. Montgomery Campus: Tom Kolasa reported that the Town Hall meeting was coming up. They were going to have a free Sunday movie and the International Student Organization is growing.
- d. Phenix City Campus: Trellys Riley reported that faculty, staff and students from the Phenix City Campus participated in Read across America by reading with children at Ridgecrest Elementary School in Phenix City. The PC Campus recently committed to become a Partner in Education with Ridgecrest Elementary. This campus hosted the first joint meeting of the Alabama & Georgia National Association of Social Workers and hosted a lecture by Nimrod Frazer, "The 167th (Alabama) Infantry Regiment in World War I". The Strategic Planning Conference for Phenix City/Columbus/Ft. Benning is set for April 3 and on April 23 books will be distributed to teenage girls who live in the Phenix City Housing Authority courtesy of a grant from World Books
- e. Troy Campus: Steven Taylor announced that Trojan Day is this Saturday at 9 am.
- f. Library: Ruth Elder-no report

VI. SGA-Faculty Senate Liaisons:

- a. Dothan- Richard Voss reported that the Dothan SGA met this past March 5. The annual Dothan SGA picnic will take place April 17. The theme is "Go Green." Meanwhile, the Dothan SGA is currently trying to find candidates to take over next year, since the key members of the Dothan SGA will soon graduate. They expect a significant changeover in executive membership this coming year.
- b. Montgomery-Tom Kolasa reported that the SGA is working well with the other clubs. Will be losing one leader but others will remain. Dean Smith and the president of the SGA have been more involved with various student services activities.
- c. Troy-Christi Magrath has been unable to attend many meetings but will report more next month.

VII. Old Business

- a. Issues regarding term conversion
 - a.i. Office hours
 - a.ii. Instructional design
 - a.iii. Memos requesting specific course exemptions

Scott Nokes welcomed discussion on these issues. There was discussion regarding office hours. Trellys Riley discussed what Phenix City is doing. They noted that they have 10 office hours divided in three days and they also have hall duty. There was discussion on office hours and hall duty. Dr. Ingram responded that the office hours are to serve the students when they need faculty to be available. He mentioned that there is a section in the faculty handbook on Hours on Campus (3.9.3.2.1). Dr. Ingram wishes to leave it to the chairs and deans to figure out these hours based on the needs of the students. There was more discussion regarding

the various colleges and campuses as to what they currently are doing with office hours. There was discussion on instructional design of courses. There is concern that some courses may not be suitable for a nine week course. Dr. Ingram noted that each program must determine what content is necessary and how to fit it into a 9 week course. Scott Nokes sent these issues to the Academic Affairs Committee. Steven Taylor moved to form an ad hoc committee to discuss and Mark Van Hooser seconded the motion. Mark Van Hooser recommended that the committee contain at least one person from each campus. The Senate voted and the committee was formed.

b. Tabled Technology Resolution

b.i. 2-2013-2014 Mark Van Hooser moved to send the resolution back to committee. Steven Taylor seconded the motion.

c. Ad Hoc Committee on Distal and Partially-Distal Faculty Support- Tammy Esteves reported that they are trying to figure out who are distal faculty. She will have report next meeting.

VIII. New Business

a. Resolution 5-2013-2014-There was discussion about the resolution. Steven Taylor motioned to vote on the resolution as is. Mark Van Hooser seconded the motion. The resolution passed.

b. Leadership roles in 2014-2015-Scott Nokes noted that all leadership positions will need to be filled next year and he asked for senators to consider these positions.

c. Scott Nokes recommended bring in marketing personnel to address Richard Voss' concerns.

IX. Adjourn-Mark Van Hooser motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Steven Taylor. The meeting was adjourned at 3:31 pm.