

Faculty Senate Minutes
September 24, 2013

- I. Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 2:04.
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Members present:

Tom Kolasa	Richard Voss	David Carlson	John Jinright
Ruth Elder	James Cargal	Jon Boncek	Dionne Rosser-Mims
Johanna Alberich	Richard Scott Nokes	Tammy Esteves	Mary Anne Templeton
Steven L. Taylor	Alan Wright	Mark VanHooser	Christi McGrath
Lane Boyte Eckis	Jonathan Harrington	Trellys Riley	Ronald Shehane
 - b. Members absent:

Dodie Meier	Dianne Eppler	Deborah Rushing	Cheron Hunter Davis
Maureen Casile-absent with notice		Kerri Outlaw-absent with notice	
- III. President's Report-Scott Nokes reported that he met with Dr. Ingram and discussed various issues. A couple of issues will be handled within the various Faculty Senate committees. The Chairman of the Board of Trustees was not able to come the meeting and has been invited to the next meeting.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - a. Executive Committee: Scott Nokes mentioned that this committee met and appointed everyone to the Faculty Senate committees. They also met with Greg Cavin in eTroy regarding eTroy issues.
 - b. Committee on Committees: Tom Kolasa reported on the Undergraduate Academic Council meetings from the summer. They have changed some prerequisites and added some requirements among other things.
 - c. Elections Committee: Johanna Alberich told the Election Committee that she would contact them soon.
 - d. Academic Affairs Committee: Jonathan Harrington told the members of this committee that they will be meeting soon. Judy Fulmer asked Jonathan to discuss some issues such as OSP webinars for the grant writing process.
 - e. Faculty Welfare Committee: Steven Taylor-will be contacting the FWC soon.
- V. Campus Reports
 - a. Dothan Campus: Richard Voss- On September 16, Georgia Tech Professor Dr. John D. Cressler visited the Dothan Campus Library to discuss his historical fiction novel *Emeralds of the Alhambra*. The novel, featuring a dramatic interfaith love affair set in Medieval Spain, takes full advantage of Dr. Cressler's deep experience with silicon-germanium heterojunction bipolar transistor technology. The Dothan Campus Library is currently hosting a traveling exhibit illustrating the experiences of American women in World War II. Entitled "Beyond Rosie: Women in World War II," the exhibit, on loan from Kennesaw State University, honors the women of the era with stories highlighting both their active role in the war effort and the tumultuous changes at home that resulted from that effort. The exhibit will be up through October 4. Under the leadership of Dr. Skip Ames of the Sorrell College of Business, the Dothan Campus is now in charge of coordinating the annual Dothan

Economic Summit on Jobs. This annual civic event starts with a high-profile conference on September 25, which triggers multiple planning meetings and events throughout the year, in six different tracks: Aviation, Entrepreneurship, Infrastructure, Healthcare, Quality of Life, and Workforce Development. All tracks are open to public participation. Starting at 7:30 a.m. at the Dothan Civic Center, the kickoff will feature addresses by Mayor Mike Schmitz of Dothan and CEO Raymond Cheng of the SoZo Group. The keynote speaker is Roger Wehner, Executive Director of the Mobile Airport Authority.

- b. Global Campus: Tammy Esteves-No report
 - c. Montgomery Campus: Tom Kolasa noted that Homecoming is coming up. They are working on Toys for Tots. A date has been set for a visit to the Southern Poverty Law School. After Tom Kolasa's report, Jon Boncek and James Cargal asked for further information regarding the campus reports. Scott Nokes asked that the issues be brought up to Faculty Welfare Committee or to the campus representatives. There was discussion as to what should be included in the campus reports.
 - d. Phenix City Campus: Trellys Riley reported that TROY has awarded the construction contract for its new riverfront academic building in Phenix City to Bear Brothers Construction of Montgomery. The project will be the third building designed by the firm on the University's Phenix City Campus. On October 4, PC faculty, staff and students are involved with Help the Hooch; which is the largest Southeast River Clean Up Project. On October 12, the Phenix City TROY campus is hosting a Fall Festival for the community. There will be fun activities and events for the entire family.
 - e. Troy Campus: Steven Taylor-no report
 - f. Library: Ruth Elder-no report
- VI. SGA-Faculty Senate Liaisons:
- a. Dothan- Richard Voss noted that under this year's president, Brandon Pendarvis, the Dothan Campus Student Government Association has set out to address this year's challenges with an unusual level of structure and division of labor. There are three separate "Sections": SGA Services under Vice President Aselyn Gilley; SGA Budget under Clerk Trina Smith; and Student Life under Secretary Becky Johnson. Together, these three Sections will address Student Court, Safety Walks, Town Halls, Honors, Fundraisers, Donations, Homecoming, the Spring Picnic, Trivia Night, and the New Club and Organization Workshop.
 - b. Montgomery-Tom Kolasa said that they are working on Homecoming. They will have a banner, etc. to advertise. They are working on a few fundraisers.
 - c. Troy-The Troy SGA does not have a Faculty Senate liaison. Contact Johanna Alberich if anyone is interested.
- VII. Old Business
- a. None
- VIII. New Business
- a. Dave Barron on Troy for Troops-Dave Barron came to the meeting to discuss Veterans and the Troy for Troops Center. He showed a video. He discussed

military veteran support that is necessary. We need to remove some roadblocks to graduation of the veterans. We would like to enroll them and retain them. Military members include active duty in all branches of the military. Most are in Global Campus. These students need our support. There will be a VA on the Troy campus. There is now a check in sheet. There is also a guide for the veterans. They are working on a chapter of Student Veterans of America. They are also trying to form an honor society for military students. He showed the Senate the Troy for Troops Organization on Blackboard. He discussed various issues the veterans are faced with and discussed how we can help them such as referrals, translation services, adaptive needs, etc. He asked that if you need to contact him regarding anything related to the military to email him at wdbarron@troy.edu or call (334) 670-3657. Mark VanHooser asked about the Green Zone and regarding faculty veterans. Barron responded that they are trying to do so by getting a sticker to hang on your office so that students would know that you are a veteran. Jonathan Harrington asked if the faculty could be a member of the Troy for Troops Blackboard organization. Barron said that they will be looking for faculty support in the future.

- b. Committee Appointments-The main thing the Executive Committee during their meeting was to assign the committee appointments. They tried to place people with their requests. They also tried to spread people out by college or campus. The one committee without a chair is the Educational Technology Committee. Scott Nokes will email the members of this committee. We still need a Troy campus SGA liaison.
- c. Jon Boncek brought up the issue of the campus report once more. He asked for more information regarding the reports. Steven Taylor and other campus representatives responded with information on how they make their campus reports. Scott Nokes said that he would start a conversation with the campus representatives. Trellys Riley asked that we have college reports. Scott Nokes said that that topic was discussed last year. However, he doesn't think that there needs to be college reports. He asked to table this issue so that the Executive Committee can discuss it. The issue was tabled until the next meeting under old business.

IX. Adjourn-The meeting was adjourned at 3:06pm.