

Minutes of Faculty Senate Meeting

January 28th, 2015

Meeting called to order at 2:01PM by President Rosser-Mims.

Members Present: Tammy Esteves, Jonathan Taylor, Trellys Riley, Richard Voss, Ruth Elder, Margaret Gnionska, Vijaya Gompa, Zhiyong Wang, Lane Eckis, Amanda Paul, Maureen Casile, Johanna Alberich, David Carlson, Christi Magrath, Dionne Rosser-Mims, Jeffrey Ickes, Joel Campbell, Dianne Eppler, Ron Shehane, John Jinright, Jason Orrock, Tonya Conner, Catherine Allard

Members Absent: David Carlson (notice), , Keri Outlaw, Deborah Rushing (notice)

Others present: Dr. Price , Dr. Ingram, Mr. Agboatwalla, Dr. Nokes, Dr. Hildebrand, Dr. Gallahan,

President's report-

1. Opportunity to serve on University Review Committee- the process is fair from a senate standpoint. It is evolving; - each college has own standards being stated.
2. Student appreciation day report to follow,
3. Dr. Price will address during Technology Committee report.

Committee on Committees – See reports below

Elections Committee –

1. Voter Lists for the colleges have been updated.
2. Dr. Vardaman's office has provided us with the official vacancy list.

Academic Affairs Committee-

1. Committee has completed work on testing Form 1 of the Faculty Evaluation in Echosign and it is all set.
2. Committee met last week and discussed an issue brought forth by a faculty member concerning faculty office hours. Discussion included the importance of recognizing the many different modes utilized by faculty to be available and accessible to students. The committee will continue to discuss and work proceed over the next few weeks and report back to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee on February 17.

Faculty Welfare Committee-

1. Faculty welfare committee takes its mission seriously. We would listen to any issues raised by faculty, and take appropriate measures to resolve the issues within our capacity.
2. We were able to resolve some concerns by faculty members to their satisfaction, and directed others to appropriate committees.
3. As a major step forward in assessing the faculty satisfaction the faculty survey has been revised to reach the faculty this year. The survey was approved by the faculty senate executive committee on 1/22/2015, and submitted to the full senate approval today, 1/28/2015.

Technology Committee:

Greg Price, Guest Speaker:

1. "Large # of projects" underway that will affect everyone.
 - A. New identity Management System = Microsoft Active Directory

1. All outside locations already use it
 2. SCOB uses it.
 3. Until now, it was cost prohibitive for rest of TROY's Troy campus.
- B. We wanted Unification
1. Unified login = single sign-on. Username and password works for all products
 2. Balancing Security/Usability. Having multiple passwords means people are writing them down and that will compromise security
 3. Important to protect our credentials. Report any misuse, identity concerns...
 4. 17,000 individual devices have to be touched to implement change. We'll use an independent contractor.
 5. Portal means one website "dashboard" to deal with all of your applications. Will sync grades from Blackboard to WebAdvisor.
- II. New Email System
- A. We bid, but had 3 responses. Lowest cost Zimbra (#2 in world).
 - B. See IT website for additional info. It allows for calendar sync, drop boxes, word processing tools, etc.
 - C. Plan is to move to Microsoft Host Environment. It allows students to maintain an email when they become Alumni.
- III. IT Innovation Lab (Library 3rd Floor @ Troy campus)
- A. \$1 million in tech teaching components.
 - B. Designed to allow vendors to show you new tech without us having to buy it.
 - C. Includes 3D Printing, Rendering, Video Conferencing, etc...
- IV. IT has taken on the Video Conferencing Problems.
- A. Site Surveys to inventory equipment
 - B. Results sent to PolyCom for evaluation
 - C. 11 member committee examined alternatives. Most solutions were not adequate (i.e. Cisco)
 - D. Web-Ex – some use it, but it's not transparent.
 - E. Proposal Forthcoming for Senior Vice Chancellors.

Question – How much did Active Directory cost? What about ROI?

- A- License was \$200,000, we paid over 2 yrs. ROI is difficult to quantify, but old product cost \$47K per year for maintenance. Microsoft won't charge for maintenance. We can't use new web products without this upgrade.

Campus Reports

Dothan –

The Dothan Campus will hold a career fair February 12, featuring over 30 employers from the local area. This annual event always takes place near Valentine's Day, under the theme "Find the Job You'll Love."

Participating employers this year will include Wells Fargo Bank, Dothan City Schools, the US Social Security Administration, and PowerSouth Energy Cooperative.

After a similar agreement in September with Wallace Community College, TROY has signed another reverse-transfer agreement, this time with Enterprise State Community College. Former Enterprise students at TROY can now transfer credits back to Enterprise to complete their associate's degrees. The

Dothan Campus attracts a large number of students from Enterprise. The college has five locations across southern Alabama, including Mobile, two in northern Alabama, and a vibrant online program. On the premise of “creative partnerships” in the Troy University mission statement, the Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Innovation is now reaching out to all other colleges on the Dothan Campus, to leverage faculty talent on a multidisciplinary level. Accordingly, the Center will pursue its entrepreneurial mission through interdisciplinary faculty collaboration and thus help challenge the silo mentality that often impedes professorial synergy.

Tomorrow, the Center will host a free seminar on Brainstorming for Entrepreneurial Ventures, featuring Dr. Steve Turkoski of the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce. This seminar is part of a series resulting from collaboration with the Entrepreneurship Council, a grass-roots advocacy organization founded through a creative partnership among local entrepreneurs, city officials, and the Sorrell College of Business on the Dothan Campus.

Global Campus -No report

Montgomery

There is a COE Research Symposium (College-wide) held this Friday at Montgomery Campus. I have been contacted for meetings with campus faculty. Rosser-Mims will be scheduling visits for open forums at all sites soon.

Phenix City

The Phenix City Campus is busy preparing for their Riverfront location in downtown Phenix City. The Riverfront will be home to the new Water Resource Management program and will contain 45% of the current operation including faculty, staff and students. The classrooms will be open for courses beginning Term 5 and will be fully occupied during the evening. Classroom meeting space is available during the day and weekends.

The COE appointed facilitators for the upcoming CAPE (Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation) which works with over 900 accredited teacher preparation programs; began work earlier this month.

Troy – No report.

SGA Reports –

Dothan –

Having reorganized after the departure of President Sarah Gwarek, the Dothan Campus SGA has primarily pursued an agenda of fundraising under its new President, Alexis Vincent. Current plans include a Valentine’s Day fundraiser in the form of a raffle for a \$75 gift certificate toward dinner for two at Oak and Olive Lounge in Dothan.

For those who attended this past December’s Dothan Campus graduation at the Dothan Civic Center, SGA President Alexis Vincent gave the invocation and benediction. For the Dothan Campus SGA, this was a welcome new role, which has enhanced the organization’s reputation and visibility among students.

Montgomery –

New president in place. They will have 1st meeting next week.

Troy - No report

Old Business

1. Faculty Survey

- a. Modifications were organizational in nature, using Teaching, Research, and Service as structural points.
- b. Concerns have been recognized, but we need to proceed to collect data for improvement.
- c. Motion to approve – Lane Eckis, 2nd – Allard
 - Q. Is there permission to send?
 - A. – (Dr. Ingram) – Faculty Senate has prerogative to do what they need to do.
 - Q- Who pays for it?
 - A – Will use Rosser-Mims’ Survey Monkey Account.
 - Q- Who sees results?
 - A- We’ll report in aggregate via senate minutes
 - Q- There are still concerns about anonymity.
 - A. – Can leave demographic fields blank.

d. Vote- Passed

II. Student Appreciation Day

- a. April 1st is the day
- b. Website will be up in a few days
- c. Will send email message to faculty outlining steps for involvement
- d. B&N discounts and scholarships will be awarded.
- e. We want students to share how they make a difference.
- f. We have system-wide cooperation (faculty, SGA, administration)
- g. Timeline is
 - i. Feb- participants enter
 - ii. March- Judging
 - iii. April 1 – Awards made, Free stuff given out. Includes all campuses
 - Q- Is there a difference in how scholarships are spent?
 - A- 25% off B&N merch except textbooks
 - Q – How are faculty members involved in student nominations?
 - A- a written paragraph is fine
 - Q- Will everyone get some token?
 - A- Everyone gets a “badge” to put on Vita, social media, etc.

III. June Meeting via Web-Ex

No concerns were raised.

Motion to approve – Lane Eckis

2nd- Ruth Elder

Meeting Adjourned

COMMITTEE	MEMBER NAME
Enrollment Management Committee	Leora Waldner
Enrollment Management Committee	Carolyn Russell
Faculty Senate	Richard Voss
Faculty Senate	Tammy Esteves**
Faculty Senate	Ruth Elder
Faculty Senate	David Carlson
Faculty Senate	Christi Magrath
Faculty Senate	Margaret Gnoinska
Faculty Senate	Amanda Paul
Faculty Senate	Dianne Eppler
Faculty Senate	Johanna Alberich**
Faculty Senate	Deborah Rushing
Faculty Development Committee	Tim Buckner
Faculty Development Committee	Jeff Spurlock
Faculty Development Committee	Trellys Riley
Faculty Development Committee	Carrie Lee Gardner
Graduate Academic Council	Irem Ozkarahan
Graduate Academic Council	Carolyn Russell
Graduate Academic Council	OPEN
Graduate Academic Council	Diane Bandow
Graduate Academic Council	William Heisler
Graduate Academic Council	Linda Vanderbleek
University Research Council	Fred Figliano
University Research Council	G. Doug Davis
Undergraduate Academic Council	Sam Shelton**
Undergraduate Academic Council	Karen Ross
Undergraduate Academic Council	Feng Sun
Undergraduate Academic Council	Festus Fru Ndeh
Undergraduate Academic Council	Shellye Vardaman

Recent/Upcoming Events:

January 15 – April 15, 2015

Georgian Institute of Public Affairs
Scholar in Residence
Troy University – Troy Campus

January 21 - 24, 2015

Martin Luther King Jr. Days of Service
Troy University – Troy Campus

January 21st Times Talk 'Sunday Suppers'

January 22nd 1:00 pm Volunteer Fair

2:30 pm Campus Kitchens

January 23rd 9:30 am Head Start

10:00 am Christian Love Center

1:00 pm Campus Kitchens

1:30 pm Noble Manor

January 24th 9:00 am Salvation Army

9:00 am Boys and Girls Club

9:30 am Children's Advocacy Ctr.

10:00 am Big Bend Animal Rescue

January 27, 2015 11:00 am

Environbowl
Troy University – Dothan Campus

January 29, 2015 4:00 pm

Tournees French Film Festival
'Coco before Chanel'
119 Bibb Graves Hall
Troy University – Troy Campus

February 3, 2015 4:00 pm

Tournees French Film Festival
'Breathless'
119 Bibb Graves Hall
Troy University – Troy Campus

February 5, 2015 4:00 pm

Tournees French Film Festival
'Approved for Adoption'
119 Bibb Graves Hall
Troy University – Troy Campus

February 12, 2015 4:00 pm

Tournees French Film Festival
'Rust and Bone'
119 Bibb Graves Hall
Troy University – Troy Campus

February 16 – 19, 2015

2015 Oil Spill and Ecosystem Science
Conference
Houston, Texas
Invited scholars presenting

February 19, 2015 4:00 pm

'The illusionist'
119 Bibb Graves Hall
Troy University – Troy Campus

February 20, 2015 8:00 am

VAAP Trojan Art Day
Troy University – Troy Campus

February 22 – 28, 2015

Stuart Pimsler Dance & Theater
Community Residency
Troy University – Troy Campus

For more information on these events, call the Office of Sponsored Programs 3102.

Recent Grant Award Highlights:

Arts and Sciences:

The Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences received several grants from the Tri Beta National Biological Honor Society. These grants will allow students 'hands on' research opportunities with supporting faculty.

Mathematics received a grant from the Alabama Commission on Higher Education for the Wiregrass Math, Science and Technology Leadership Academy.

Geomatics is working with the USDA Forest Service on geospatial support and products.

Communication and Fine Arts:

The Department of Art and Design will hold the 2015 Visual Arts Achievement Program Exhibition and Competition in conjunction with Trojan Art Day on February 20th thanks to a grant from the Alabama State Council on the Arts.

The Alabama Humanities Foundation is supporting a SUPER teacher program on the *Trojan War in Western Literature* through the Department of English.

The Dance and Theater Department will host the Stuart Pimsler Dance and Theater Company in February with help from an Alabama State Council on the Arts grant.

Education:

The Department of Justice's Office of Violence against Women awarded a grant to our Department of Education in partnership with the Georgia Mountain Women's Center, Inc.

CGI offered local and national funding to this year's Bully Proof campaign.

Library:

A geomarking prototype project of historic sites has been funded by the Historic Chattahoochee Commission for the Dothan campus.