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**THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD**

**ON THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2009, AT 4:00
P.M. IN**

**ROOM BE5 OF THE MEMORIAL
STUDENT CENTER**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Uday Tate, Rex McClure, Joe Stone, Deepak Subedi, Maurice Lockridge (Assistant Chair), Linda Dobbs, Jonathan Cox, Joan St. Germain, Mark Zanter, Brian Morgan, Bonita Lawrence, Liz Murray, Basant Karna, Scott Sarra, Burnis Morris, Jennifer Perry, Karen McNealy, Kelly Harlow, Sandra Prunty, Pat Conlon, Ben Miller, Eldon Larsen, Janet Dozier, Jennifer Mak, Eric Arnold, Gregg Twietmeyer, Keith Beard, Camilla Brammer (Chair), Marty Laubach, Donna Sullivan, Barbara Tarter, Christina Burgueno, Christine Huhn, Josh Hagen, Chris White, Kathleen Bledsoe, Jennifer Sias (Recording Secretary), Ernest Walker, Nancy Norton, Tina Sias, Mike Goldman, Charles Clements, Pier Paolo Claudio, and Tracy Christofero.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ralph Oberste-Vorth, Michael Norton, Tom Jones, Wael Zatar, Mike McComas, Mary Jo Graham, Rudy Wang, Elaine Hardman, and Jerry Jones.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Cheryl Brown, present.

GUESTS: Ryan Bloomfield, Susan Jackson, Monica Brooks, Allan Stern, Bryon Clercx, Stan Maynard, Frances Hensley, Robert Bookwalter, Sherri Smith, Vicki Stroehner, Don Van Horn, Gary McIlvain, Denise Landry, David Pittenger, Michael McGuffey, Gayle Ormiston, James Sottile, Stephen Kopp, Rosalyn Templeton, and Phillippe Georgel.

Declaring that there was a quorum, Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Camilla Brammer called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the March 19, 2009 meeting were approved as read.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dr. Camilla Brammer

- A. Announced a reminder that Senators should sit around the table, others should sit at the chairs provided and cell phones should be set to “silent” mode. To ensure an accurate recording of the meeting, Senators should use the microphones when speaking and are to state their name and department.
- B. Announced the April meeting schedules: ACF – scheduled to meet April 23, 2009 in Charleston, WV;
HEPC – no meeting scheduled; and the MUBOG – scheduled to meet April 30, 2009.
Chair Brammer requested that all senators try to attend the MUBOG meeting as she will be making a presentation about the Faculty Senate.
- C. Announced that the university president has approved the following recommendations:
SR-08-09-24 CC (revision of the Major curricular form; added Program);
SR-08-09-25 CC (course additions in COEHS, COFA & COLA);
SR-08-09-26 CC (addition of majors in Anthropology & Sociology);
SR-08-09-27 CC (change in minors in Anthropology & Sociology);
SR-08-09-28 CC (deletion of area of emphasis in Anthropology & Sociology);
SR-08-09-29 CC (course deletion in COFA and course changes in COEHS, COFA, COHP and COLA)
- D. Announced that the following recommendations are outstanding at the university president’s office:
SR-08-09-23 FPC (pre-tenure review for all tenure track faculty) sent March 2, 2009;
SR-08-09-18 APC (academic programs to be continued at their current level – Associate Degree in Medical Laboratory Technology, Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology, Bachelor of Science in Cytotechnology, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Fine Arts, Regents Bachelor of Arts) sent February 17, 2009;
SR-08-09-19 APC (academic programs to be continued and identified for resource development – Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice, Bachelor of Arts in History, Bachelor of Arts in Humanities, Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences) sent February 17, 2009.

- E. Announced that the spring General Faculty meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2009 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Playhouse of the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center. Retiring and award winning faculty will be honored and a reception will follow.
- F. Announced that at the general faculty meeting nominations from the floor will be taken for faculty representation on the MUBOG and ACF. Nominees, if they desire, will be provided a couple of minutes to speak.
- G. Announced that Electronic voting (EVoting) will be utilized for the elections of the MUBOG and ACF positions. The EVoting period begins at 12:00 a.m. on May 4, 2009 and continues until 12:00 p.m. on May 10, 2009. All full-time faculty are eligible to vote.
- H. Announced that the Faculty Senate meeting schedule for Academic Year 2009-2010 has been prepared and is available at the sign-in table.
- I. Solicited volunteers to serve as standing committee Liaisons for Academic Year 2009-2010. **THE FOLLOWING SENATORS VOLUNTEERED.**
 Academic Planning: *Tracy Christofero*
 Athletic: *Joe Stone*
 Budget & Academic Policy: *Rex McClure*
 Curriculum: *Brian Morgan*
 Faculty Development: *Christine Huhn*
 Faculty Personnel: *Uday Tate*
 Graduate Council: *Tracy Christofero*
 Legislative Affairs: *Mike Goldman*
 Library: *Bonita Lawrence*
 Physical Facilities & Planning: *Karen McNealy*
 Research: *Marty Laubach*
 Student Conduct & Welfare: *Chris White*
 University Functions: *Donna Sullivan*
- J. Expressed appreciation to Ryan Bloomfield , the Faculty Senate's Parthenon reporter for this semester.
- K. Expressed appreciation to Dr. Cheryl Brown, the Faculty Senate's Parliamentarian for this year.
- L. Expressed appreciation to the Senators for their service to the Faculty Senate this academic year and stated how much she looks forward to working with them next year.

3. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

SR-08-09-10R BAPC: Recommends that the current **CLASS ATTENDANCE** policy, as stated on pages 128-130 of the 2008-2009 Marshall University Undergraduate Catalog, be revised. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED AS AMENDED.***

SR-08-09-11R BAPC: Recommends that the current **INCOMPLETE** policy, as stated on page 139 of the 2008-2009 Marshall University Undergraduate Catalog, be revised. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-08-09-30 CC: Recommends approval of the requested termination of the Bachelor of Arts degree in Multidisciplinary Studies. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-08-09-31 CC: Recommends approval of the **REQUEST FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE OF A MAJOR** from the Lewis College of Business. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-08-09-32 CC: Recommends approval of the listed **COURSE ADDITIONS** in the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS and the LEWIS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-08-09-33 CC: Recommends approval of the listed **REQUEST FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE OF AN AREA OF EMPHASIS** from the COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-08-09-34 FDC: Recommends that the information sheets as well as the application form pertaining to both the Individual Faculty INCO Foundation Grant and the Group Faculty INCO Foundation Grant be revised. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO SUSPEND THE AGENDA TO BRING A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR

CFAHC: Recommends that the Core Foundations Ad Hoc Committee's outline for a new general education curriculum, henceforth called Core Curriculum, be approved. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED AS AMENDED.***

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO RETURN TO THE REGULAR AGENDA

4. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Each liaison reported to-date on their respective committee.

5. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT: Dr. Stephen Kopp

- In response to inquiries received about the hiring of a Green Initiatives Coordinator he stated that a question remains in how the \$5 student fee to support green initiatives on campus will be structured; as a new fee or as a part of the current fee structure. The MUBOG has yet to decide.
- The earth movement on the east-end of campus around the new residence halls is the construction of a marching band practice field that will also be used for intramurals when it is not in use by the band. The current question is whether it will be natural grass or turf.
- The university's food services contract has been reviewed for renewal by committee; the committee received four bids and has recommended that Sodexo remain.
- He explained that the security requirements for the dedication ceremony of the Fairfield Clinical Building were those imposed by Senator Byrd's office. The senator's office also issued the invitations to this event.
- He provided an update on some of the higher education legislation that was considered or approved during the recent session of the West Virginia Legislature: SB373 (Promise Scholarship), HB3335 (Yellow Ribbon), SB63 and SB638 which merged and was amended as HB2961 (Capital Project Bond Money).

- He stated that there will be no increase in state appropriations for higher education and, in fact, there may be a 5% reduction and his office is currently creating a budget for such an event.
- Expressed congratulations to Simon Collier, a recipient of an NSF grant.
- Announced that the Differential Analyzer will be dedicated on May 2, 2009.
- Announced that Commencement Ceremonies will begin at 8:00 a.m. on May 9, 2009.
- Related that admissions applications are 2% and admits are 7% above those of last year. He credits the increases to the numerous site visits by the recruitment staff, the recent SCORES event, and the open house events.

6. REPORT OF THE PROVOST: Dr. Gayle Ormiston

- Announced that between 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on May 2, 2009 there will be an open house on the South Charleston campus to promote the undergraduate and graduate courses to be offered this summer.
- May 1st is when Academic Affairs' electronic newsletter is to be unveiled.
- He gave response to the previous request on how faculty annual reports are being used campus-wide (on file in the Faculty Senate office).
- Upon approval of the new Core Curriculum proposal, his office will provide information on how faculty may apply for the \$2,000 stipend that is to be paid for the development of Core I & II courses.

7. BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Dr. Monica Brooks

- Discussed handout (on file in the Faculty Senate office) that provided information pertaining to the MUBOG's evaluation of academic program reviews and announces the next meeting scheduled for April 30, 2009.

8. ACF REPORT: Dr. Ben Miller

- Stated that ACF met earlier today and conducted a review of higher education legislation from the recent legislative session. Bruce Walker is preparing an in-depth report.
- Stated that the approved legislation to change the membership of the WVU board of governors was a change requested for all higher education boards of governors.
- Reminded faculty that there are still slots available for the Greater Teacher's Institute and information may be obtained from the office of Academic Affairs.
- Related that one higher education institution has begun using an electronic format for student evaluations and that these are being reviewed for the faculty annual evaluation.
- ACF is polling for review the faculty sick leave policies from other institutions.
- Expressed congratulations to Betty Dennison, MCTC, who is the new ACF chair.

9. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO THE SENATE: (5 minutes per person)

There were none.

10. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

There were none.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:33 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ms. Jennifer Sias, Recording Secretary

Faculty Senate