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

**ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2007, AT
4:00 P.M. IN THE
DON MORRIS ROOM OF THE
MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rex McClure, Uday Tate, Shane Tomblin, Joe Stone, Deepak Subedi, Larry Stickler (Chair), Stephen Lawson, Linda Dobbs, Michael Stroehrer, Peter Saveliev, Dan Babb, Michael Norton, Brian Morgan, Ralph Oberste-Vorth, Karen Mitchell, Clayton Brooks (Recording Secretary), Daniel Dementiev, Dan Hollis, Jennifer Perry, Karen McNealy, Kelly Harlow, Sandra Prunty, Venkat Gudivada, John Biros, Barbara O'Byrne, Stephen O'Keefe, Jerry Doyle, Ben Miller, Sissy Isaacs, Kathy Seelinger, Laura Wyant, Jennifer Mak, Gary McIlvain, Janet Dozier, Melisa Reed, James Leonard, Barbara Tarter, Susan Gilpin, Pam Mulder, Jamie Warner, Dan Holbrook, Keith Beard, Marty Laubach, Donna Sullivan, David Winter, Kay Wildman, Wendy Moorhead, William Cocke, Kenneth Guyer (Assistant Chair), Ernest Walker, Nancy Norton, Mike Goldman, Rudy Wang, and Elaine Hardman.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Melinda Backus, Camilla Brammer, Tina Sias, and Pam Staton.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Cheryl Brown present.

GUESTS: Elaine Baker, Anita Walz, Kevin Law, Chuck Bailey, Monica Brooks, Michael McGuffey, Stephen Kopp, Corley Dennison, Sarah Denman, Jim Stephens, and Shortie McKinney.

Declaring that there was a quorum, Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Larry Stickler called the meeting to order at approximately 4:01 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the October 25, 2007 meeting were approved as read.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dr. Larry Stickler

- A. Announced a reminder that Senators should sit around the table, others should sit at the chairs provided around the edge of the room and cell phones should be set to “silent” mode. To ensure an accurate recording of the meeting, Senators should use the microphones when speaking; also, they are to stand and state their name and department.
- B. Announced the November meeting schedules: ACF–met November 29, 2007; HEPC–will meet November 30, 2007; and the MUBOG–next meeting scheduled for December 5, 2007.
- C. Announced that the next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Monday, December 3, 2007 beginning at 12:00 p.m. in the John Spotts Room of the Memorial Student Center.
- D. Announced that the Faculty Senate will meet Thursday, December 13, 2007 beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge of the Memorial Student Center.
- E. Solicited Senators for Liaison positions on the following standing committees:
Academic Planning _____
Budget & Academic Policy _____
Announced that as no one has volunteered as liaison for the Athletic Committee, he has accepted Ben Miller’s offer to serve as liaison for the Athletic Committee, although he is serving on another standing committee.
- F. Announced that the plaques listing award winning faculty have been hung in the elevator alcove area on the fourth floor of the Drinko Library.
- G. Announced that letters that document service on the Faculty Senate and its standing/ad hoc committees have been sent so faculty may include this information with their annual report.
- H. Announced that the University President has approved the following recommendations: SR-07-08-(01) 32 EC, SR-07-08-(02) 33 CC, SR-07-08-(03) 34 CC, and SR-07-08-(06) 37 APC.

- I. Announced that an orientation session for officers of the standing committees is scheduled for Friday, November 30, 2007 beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Shawkey Room of the Memorial Student Center.
- J. Announced that the Faculty Personnel Committee has been charged to review and comment on two charges: the changes that occurred when retirees over 65 were moved from PEIA to Advantra Freedom and the draft of the background check procedures policy.
- K. Announced that the University Holiday Party is scheduled for Thursday, December 6, 2007 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center.
- L. Introduced Parliamentarian Cheryl Brown to speak about maintaining confidentiality about topics discussed during Executive Session.

3. **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

SR-07-08-(05) 36 FECRAHC: Recommends that SR-04-05-(12) 69 FECAHC be revised per the attached. New language is indicated in **bold** font with deletions being indicated with strikethrough. ***MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-07-08-(07) 38 CC: Recommends approval of the listed COURSE ADDITIONS in the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, and the LEWIS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS. ***MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-07-08-(08) 39 CC: Recommends approval of the listed COURSE CHANGES for the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, and the SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATIONS. ***MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-07-08-(09) 40 CC: Recommends approval of the listed MAJORS, MINORS, CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS, AREAS OF EMPHASIS—
ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES from the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES and the COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS. ***MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

CONFIDENTIAL SR-07-08-(10) 41 UFC: Recommends that the following individuals be added to the lists for consideration as both commencement speaker and/or recipient of an honorary degree. *MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.*

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

- Commended Bernice Bullock for her work with the University's United Way Campaign Committee and Chuck Bailey for the web casts produced by WMUL.
- Informed the Senate that the Board of Governor's has scheduled more meetings than required by state code so if there is no vitally important business then the meeting can be canceled.
- Requested that faculty write letters to members of the legislature requesting their support for the continuation of SB603 which provides flexibility for the operation of the university.
- Commended the Core Foundations Ad Hoc Committee for their work.
- Reported that the Common Book Committee is in the process of recommending a new book for next fall's One Book Program; that the freshman class has created a virtual community about the book, The Glass Castle, that they have read; and that this class has also requested the author, Jeannette Walls, be invited as a speaker at their commencement ceremony.
- Reported on the desire that the Legislature approve legislation for a program similar to Kentucky's, Bucks For Brains Program. It is a program that receives one-time funding which is placed in a trust fund and is a dollar-for-dollar match to pledges that are made to the university; when the pledge is received, the state would match it and create an endowment. In Kentucky, 70% of funds are used for research and currently there has been \$350 million received from the private sector and matched by the state.
- Stated that there will be an announcement about a new endowment in the near future.

- Stated that the Bridge to the Future Campaign has begun and it is a prelude to a major fund raising campaign.
- He will provide a report in January 2008 concerning the 10% holdback from budgets.
- Related that he has been visiting high schools on a regular basis; there has been an increase in the number of applications received; he has received requests for more visits; and he will continue with this recruiting effort.

5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Each liaison reported to-date on their respective committee.

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

A. Bernice Bullock, President's Blue Ribbon Committee for the United Way Campaign

7. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

There were none.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:30 P.M.