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**THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD
ON THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2006, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE
DON MORRIS ROOM OF THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joe Stone, Joseph Samek, Shane Tomblin, Mike Murphy, Stephen Lawson, Clayton Brooks, Ashok Vaseashta, Karen Mitchell, Peter Saveliev, Dan Babb, Brian Morgan, Chuck Bailey, Dan Hollis, Denise Landry, Debi Woda, Karen McNealy, Venkat Gudivada, Stephen O'Keefe, Barbara O'Byrne, Jerry Doyle, Ben Miller, Janet Dozier, James Sottile, Sissy Isaacs, James Burton, George Watson, Nick Freidin, Cheryl Brown (Assistant Chair), Jerise Fogel, James Leonard, Marybeth Beller, Karl Winton, Pam Mulder, Jamie Warner, Rainey Duke, Keith Beard, Wendy Moorhead, Floyd Csir, Rudy Wang, Charles Clements, Vernon Reichenbecher, William Cocke, Kenneth Guyer (Recording Secretary), Ernest Walker, and Tina Sias.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ashish Chandra, Uday Tate, Joan St. Germain, Larry Stickler (Chair), Bonnie Lawrence, Ralph Oberste-Vorth, Susan Imes, Melinda Backus, and Nancy Norton.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Dallas Brozik present.

GUESTS: Allan Stern, Frances Hensley, Michelle Duncan, Destiny Washington, Tony Szwilski, Sarah Denman, Jim Stephens, Steve Hensley, Michael Misiti, Shortie McKinney, and Menis Ketchum.

Faculty Senate Assistant Chair, Dr. Cheryl Brown called the meeting to order at approximately 4:10 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

There was a quorum. Minutes of the February 23, 2006 meeting were approved as read.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 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.
- B. Announced a reminder that Senators should use the microphones, and state their name and college when speaking.
- C. Announced that the University Assessment Day is scheduled for April 5, 2006; day classes are cancelled but classes 4:00 p.m. and after will meet. Questions may be directed to Dr. Frances Hensley.
- D. Announced that the Executive Committee will meet on Monday, April 12, 2006 beginning at 12:00 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center's Alumni Lounge.
- E. Announced that the spring General Faculty meeting at which retiring and award winning faculty are honored will be Thursday, April 20, 2006 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Playhouse of the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center.

- F. Announced that the meeting for newly elected and continuing senators for the purpose of electing officers, members of the executive committee, and standing committee liaisons is scheduled for Tuesday, April 25, 2006 beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center's Alumni Lounge.
- G. Announced that all faculty are invited to participate in Dr. Kopp's inauguration scheduled for April 21, 2006 and march in the processional in regalia. If faculty need to order regalia for this event or commencement, orders should be placed with the MU Bookstore no later than Wednesday, April 5, 2006.
- H. Announced that the Faculty Senate will meet on Thursday, April 27, 2006 beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center's Don Morris Room.
- I. Announced the March meeting schedules: ACF – no meeting listed on website; HEPC – no meeting scheduled; and the MUBOG – special call meeting on March 22, 2006 in Huntington, WV.
- J. Announced that the University President has approved the following recommendation: SR-05-06-(19) 64-121 APC.
- K. Announced that Chair Stickler is available in the Faculty/Staff Commons on Mondays between 3 – 4 p.m. for faculty to meet and discuss any issues on their mind.
- L. Announced that the Student Government Association is sponsoring its second “Relay for Life” event on Friday, April 7, 2006. Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to participate by joining or creating a team. Information may be obtained at www.acsevents.org/marshalluniversity. Donations may be made to Michael Misiti, Student Body President or Nikki Brown in the Student Government Association office.
- M. Introduced Mr. Steve Hensley, Dean of Student Affairs. Mr. Hensley informed those present that there will be a mass casting call for students on Monday, April 10, 2006 and Tuesday, April 11, 2006 for 1500 to 2000 students to participate in scenes for the “We Are . . . Marshall” movie. It is uncertain at this time if a student's absence from class will be classified as excused or unexcused. Mr. Hensley will notify the faculty when a decision has been made.

3. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

Absent, no report given.

4. BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S REPORT:

Dr. Sottile distributed a resolution (on file in the Faculty Senate office) that was approved at the March 22, 2006 special call meeting that pertains to the development of plans for the construction of a Student Health and Wellness Center and other facilities. He stated that discussion of the university's travel reimbursement rate was postponed; that the Board will begin accessing the submitted program reviews; that another subcommittee will review all of the university policies to be adopted by the Board; and that faculty should bring any issues to him for presentation to the Board.

5. ACF REPORT:

Dr. Miller distributed the ACF's 2006 legislative agenda brochure (on file in the Faculty

Senate office); he expressed his appreciation to all who assisted in obtaining legislative approval for faculty to receive the Annual Experience Increment; he distributed documents (on file in the Faculty Senate office) pertaining to Executive Order #21-04 that created the Governor's Commission on Public Sector Employment and Employee Relations to study personnel rules, particularly "meet and consult" by state employees; and he announced that the next meeting of the Advisory Council of Faculty will be Friday, April 7, 2006. He is not able to attend this meeting, nor can the alternatives; he requested a volunteer to attend.

6. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

SR-05-06-(21) 66-123 CC: Recommends approval of the listed COURSE ADDITIONS in the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, and the UNIVERSITY COLLEGE. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-05-06-(22) 67-124 CC: Recommends approval of the listed COURSE CHANGES for the COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-05-06-(23) 68-125 CC: Recommends approval of the listed CURRICULUM ACTION REQUEST from the COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

7. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Each liaison reported to-date on their respective committee. There was no report for the Faculty Development Committee.

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

There were none.

9. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

There were none.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:50 P.M.