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**THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1998, IN THE JOHN MARSHALL ROOM OF
THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Abramson, Weible, Stone, Sottile, Lowry, Marley, Anthony, Elwell, Rowe, Baker, Duke, Rigsbee, Gross, Freidin, Dolmetsch, Merritt-Damron, Perry, Brown, Ford, Finver, Green, Cody, Rhoten, Simmons, Shah, Lester, Rider, Rotter, Brown, Adkins, Aluthge, Hubbard, May, Hankins, East, Russell, Wilson (N), Dennison, parliamentarian, Edmunds; and several guests.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Desai, Gillespie, Karickhoff, Stern, Miller, Hudock, Jarrett, Doyle, Januszkiewicz, Green, Beaver, Szarek, Wang, Davis, Castellani, Wilson (T), Forget, Carter, Nicholson, and Bailey.

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by President Dennison.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the November 19th meeting were approved as distributed.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last month the issue of a consultant was discussed, and as a result thereof, the Executive Committee met with Dr. Gilley and will take the following approaches:

- 1) Sharon Lord will do an informal consultation and make recommendations.
- 2) The Executive Committee will be considering the following two groups:

- Caldwell Consulting, Inc. (Marietta, Georgia) This firm has experience in higher education.
- Harbour Group, Inc. (Marietta, Georgia) This firm has no experience in higher education.

Presidential action on Faculty Senate Recommendations of 11/19/98

Both recommendations from 11/19/98 meeting were approved.

Other

Lisle Brown compiled a report entitled Faculty Liaison to the Graduate Council which was distributed to the senate. (A copy is on file in the senate office).

3. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

Dr. Gilley reported the following:

The chancellor approved a letter of intent for a Ph.D. in psychology. Vice-President Sarah Denman, Dean Joan Mead, and faculty of the psychology department are currently working on a strategy for a complete proposal.

Dr. Jean Smith, the biographer of John Marshall, is joining MU faculty as of July 1, as the first John Marshall Professor. He is completing a biography of U. S. Grant and is

starting on a biography of Franklin D. Roosevelt. He will be in the Political Science Department and the Drinko.

The Admissions policy passed by senate last month has been discussed with BOT and others. Jim Harless met with 72 high school counselors. Seventy-one were very enthusiastic about the policy and said it would be very helpful.

This afternoon the committee selected the bid for the building of 450 Garden Apartment Style Apartment Bids for the Doctors Memorial Hospital interviewed the two finalists. One of the finalist in lieu of rent for the land that they would build this 4 50 bid apartment complex has offered in lieu of an annual rent payment to build free for the university a parking garage between 400 and 500 cars to be located in a spot chosen by the university on campus. Since we are in the processing of planning a combined parking garage near the new art department building on 6th avenue beside the performing arts center this bid looks very positive.

A document which outlined a draft of the legislative goal for this year was distributed to senators and discussed by Dr. Gilley. (A copy is available in the senate office FYI).

Resolution introduced from the legislative setting up a process for major review of WV Higher Education. Our system has been asked to put together a list of what we think are the most critical issues to be reviewed.

Prepare a list of the highest priority capital prices by the end of the second week in January. There is a prospect of a 100 or 200 million dollar bond issue supported not by higher education but by other resources of the state. Dr. Gilley has asked the ad hoc committee on the future to prepare a 100 million capital list in priority order to meet this request.

It looks as though it is a good possibility that legislative leadership is moving forward both on a major capital program as well as a new five year law in higher education.

The president has appointed a 24 member ad hoc committee to study the future of MU.

This has been done in preparation for this legislative bill that may be introduced next year so that we can identify issues to enable us to be more proactive, and to look at some longer term issues (how large should marshall be [16,000, 12,000, or 20,000 students?], what kind of new programs do we need, how many students can this campus accommodate, how can we address the issues of quality in the longer term and also the shorter term for the next five year plan?).

4. DISCUSSION OF AFT ISSUES:

There was an informational session of the AFT presented to the senate by two guests. They were: 1) Judy Hale, President of the WV Federation of Teachers, and 2) Bob Brown, National Representative for AFT.

Judy Hale, President of the WV Federation of Teachers, expressed appreciation for the opportunity to speak to the senate. She informed the senate about the history and growth of the AFT as well as its organizing activities here at Marshall University.

Bob Brown, National Representative for AFT, also expressed sincere appreciation for the opportunity to speak to the senate. He talked about the history of AFT, its rapid growth, its mission, and the benefits it provides to all members. He also talked about what he thought the

union's relationship was to the senate; he said that it was not their desire to displace or replace the senate, but to work jointly with the senate on issues of mutual concern. He further reiterated that the senate and the AFT are separate entities with different roles and elaborated on each.

Freidin made a motion to appoint a faculty senate liaison for AFT. Abramson questioned the purpose of this motion. Freidin responded that the purpose would be 1) to become better informed about AFT issues, and 2) to express faculty concerns. Gross moved to postpone until January to for the opportunity to put forth in writing what the duties of this faculty senate liaison would be. **MOTION PASSED (19 for / 14 aga inst)** to postpone until January.

5. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

SR-98-99-(7) 66 (LC): Recommends that the proposed Library Policy Board become integrated into the existing Library Committee; and that any constitutional changes for the inclusion of new members be addressed at the appropriate time; and that the charge of the committee not include advising library staff on day to day operations. **MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

SR-98-99-(8) 67 (CC): Recommends approval of the following course changes in the College of Liberal Arts: SOC 460, SPN 101-102, SPN 112, SPN 203, PSC 325, PSC 326, and PSC 431. **MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

SR-98-99-(9) 68 (CC): Recommends approval of the following course changes in the College of Education & Human Services: CI 415/515, PLS 350, PLS 441-E/541-E, FCS 112, FCS 351, CI 428, CI 467, CI 468, CI 469, CI 473, CI 474, CI 476, CI 477, CI 478, CI 479, FCS 305, FCS 420, and FCS 450. **MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

SR-98-99-(10) 69 (CC): Recommends approval of the following course addition in the College of Nursing & Health Professions: CLS 310. **MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

SR-98-99-(11) 70 (CC): Recommends approval of the following course changes in the Lewis College of Business: MIS 207, ECN 475, MS 251, MS 351, and the addition of a Business Science and Technology Major. **IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED TO APPROVE ONLY THE COURSE CHANGES INCLUDED IN THIS RECOMMENDATION. THE ADDITION OF A BUSINESS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MAJOR WAS POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THIS MAJOR COULD BE PROVIDED TO THE SENATE. DR. CALVIN KENT REQUESTED THAT IF ANYONE HAS SPECIFIC QUESTIONS TO PLEASE GET THEM TO HIM SO THAT THEY COULD RESPOND BEFORE THE JANUARY MEETING.**

SR-98-99-(12) 71 (CC): Recommends approval of the following course changes in the College of Science: BSC 410/510, BSC 411/511, BSC 445/545, BSC 446/546, ISC 206, ISC 207, MTH 127, MTH 130, MTH 132, and MTH 301. **MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

SR-98-99-(13) 72 (BAPC): Recommends the approval of the following proposal concerning the definition of a minor: A minor is an area of study outside the major department requiring a minimum of 12 semester credit hours for completion. With the exception of college approved interdisciplinary minors, each academic department/division designates the specific courses or range of courses required for each

minor it offers. Please consult the department description in the Catalog for available minors. **MOVED, SECONDED , AND PASSED.**

****President Dennison asked for a motion to reorder the agenda. MOVED, SECONDED AND PASSED.**

7. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO THE SENATE:

Rigsbee moved to introduce **SR-98-99-(14) 73 (CC)** which recommended the addition of HST 230H (American History to 1877 - Honors) to the College of Liberal Art's curriculum. **MOTION WAS SECONDED AND PASSED.**

May moved to introduce **SR-98-99-(15) 74 (CC)** which recommended that the senate support a Resolution of Concern. **MOTION WAS SECONDED AND PASSED.**

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were reports given from the following committees: Research (C. Dolmetsch), Student Conduct & Welfare (A. Aluthge), and University Functions (G. Lowry).

8. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The following requests were made:

1) Invite Dr. Dennis Prisk to the January meeting to discuss ways to involve the University Functions Committee with commencement changes.

2) Invite a CTC faculty representative to provide the senate with an update on what is currently happening regarding the increase in faculty teaching loads, etc.

3) A request was made to pay particularly close attention to the how the issues spelled out on page 5 of the handout that Dr. Gilley had distributed will affect the senate.

Meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Moten, Secretary Pro Temp
Marshall University Faculty Senate

MINUTES READ:

Dr. Corley Dennison, President
Marshall University Faculty Senate

Dr. J. Wade Gilley, President
Marshall University