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**THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING  
HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2014 AT 4:00 P.M. IN  
BE5 OF THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Eldon Larsen (Chair), Rex McClure, Shane Tomblin, Nancy Lankton, Daesung Ha, Uday Tate, Larry Stickler, Fredrick Bartolovic, Mike Murphy, Burnis Morris (Assistant Chair), Sandra Prunty, Mark Timmons, Susan Welch, John Biros, Jamil Chaudri, Scott Simonton, Cam Brammer (Recording Secretary), Barbara Tarter, Robin Conley, Susan Gilpin, Kevin Law, Eric Migernier, Pamela Mulder, Anthony Viola, Aley El-Shazly, Wendy Trzyna, Carl Mummert, Alfred Akinsete, Suzanne Strait, Mindy Armstead, Bizunesh Wubie, Lori Ellison, Isaac Larison, Tom Hisiro, Harold Blanco, Tina Cartwright, Zach Tankersley, Charles Clements, Piyali Dasgupta, Jung Han Kim, Fadi Alkhankan, Emine Koc, John Wilkinson, Stephanie Anderson, Eric Blough, Kelli Johnson, Thom Walker, Tracy Christofero (Graduate Council) and Beth Campbell (ACF).

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mark Zanter, Muhammad Amjad, Yi-Po Chiu, Marianna Linz, Kristi Fondren, Derrick Kolling, Bin Wang, Sandra Stroebe, Mary Payne, Travis Salisbury, and Jim Denvir.

**PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Cheryl Brown

**GUESTS:** R.B. Bookwalter, Michael Pruitt, David Pittenger, Philippe Georgel, Mary Beth Reynolds, Jan Fox, Michael McGuffey, Haiyang Chen, Wael Zatar, Gayle Ormiston, Kyle Gibson, Eric Hardin, Bobby Miller, Shawn Schulenberg, Jess Morrissette, Corley Dennison, Catherine Staley, David Robinson, Lacie Pierson (HD), Chuck Bailey, Mary Ellen Heuton, Carol Hurula, Chuck Somerville, Marty Amerikaner (BOG Rep), Monica Brooks, Jarrod Schenewark, Andrew Gooding and Jane Hill.

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

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the January 23, 2014 meetings were approved as written.

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dr. Eldon Larsen**

- The Executive Committee will convene again on Monday, March 10, 2014 at noon in the John Spotts Room
- The Faculty Senate will convene again on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at 4:00 PM in B5 of the Memorial Student Center.
- The next BOG meeting will be held on April 23, 2014.
- The next ACF meeting will be held on April 24, 2014.
- Dr. Larsen asked Dr. Cheryl Brown to read from Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th Edition. She read '*CONFINING REMARKS TO THE MERITS OF THE PENDING QUESTION and REFRAINING FROM ATTACKING A MEMBERS*

*MOTIVES'* (see *Robert's Rules of Order* which is housed in the Faculty Senate Office). As well as from the section *CONDUCTS OF BUSINESS AND BOARDS* was also read from the General Procedure and by violating those procedures with a maximum penalty which may be imposed upon a disorderly member of the board is that he be required to leave the meeting room for remainder of the meeting.

- **COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS:**
- **SR-13-14-56 BAPC** – Recommends approval of the BOG Policy AA-17 be revised with amendment ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***
- **SR-13-14-61 BAPC** – Recommends approval in the BS/MD program have early registration ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***
- **SR-13-14-62 APC** – Recommends approval of the Intent to Plan with a BA in Arts in the Arts Major in Art, Music, Theater, and Allied Arts ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***
- **SR-13-14-63 BAPC** – Recommends approval of the General Ed Council language change in SR-12-13-17 BAPC with amendment. There was a discussion from Robin Conley and Jess Morrissette requesting the words “***political institutions***” be added in the third trait and ***political and institutional*** to be added to the fourth trait to the Intercultural Thinking Outcome ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED AS AMENDED.***
- **SR-13-14-64 APC** – Recommends approval of the Intent to Plan for the BA in Sport Management Degree Program ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***
- **SR-13-14-66 APC** – Recommends programs (BA in Humanities, BA in History, BA in Sociology/Anthropology, Bachelor of Applied Science, Regents Bachelor of Arts, and Bachelor of Fine Arts in Fine Arts) be continued at their current level ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***
- **SR-13-14-68 LC** – Resolves a revision of the Constitution of Library Committee ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***
- Dr. Jamil Chaudri made a motion to amend the agenda. It was seconded and approved. He spoke about **SR-13-14-67 IS** which is requesting a once a semester joint meeting with the Board of Governors and the full Faculty Senate. Other Senators advocated for this Senate Recommendation. **SR-13-14-67 IS WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.**
- Motion the return to the agenda ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***
- **REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:** Dr. Stephen Kopp – No report

- **REPORT OF THE PROVOST: Dr. Gayle Ormiston**
  - 2013 Compact Report – which was submitted to the HEPC in November 2013, was approved at their last meeting on February 20, 2014.
  - Beginning in November 2014, Dr. Ormiston will be working on the 2014-2018 Compact Report
  - Tomorrow, February 28, is Green and White Day. He is expecting a few students to come to campus. This is a make-up from a snow day we had a few weeks ago.
  
- **BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Dr. Marty Amerikaner**
  - The Board of Governors met in Executive Session on Tuesday February 25 and then met on Wednesday, February 26 for regular session. In Executive Session was to review and be consulted on the Evaluations that the Board is statutorily required to conduct on the President and on itself. They have hired a consultant group to conduct these evaluations. Neither of them are finished.
  - In the formal meeting that was held February 26, the main focus was hearing the report from Dr. Larsen, Dr. Brammer, Dr. Holbrook, and Dr. Kopp presenting to the Board on all the policies that will be before the Senate in April.
  - Dr. Yingling presented a revised tuition schedule that was passed.
  - MA in Athletic Training was passed with a request to be brought back to the next meeting about how to attach fees to this potentially very popular professional training program.
  - The next meeting will be April 22-23 and June 24-25, 2014.
  
- **ACF REPORT: Dr. Beth Campbell**
  - Great Teachers Seminar is still accepting nominations. There are 4 spots to fill at Marshall. If you're interested go see Dr. Sherri Smith in the Center for Teaching and Learning to get an application.
  - The HEPC meeting that took place at WV State University on February 20, 2014. The details of that meeting is in the report that Angie Rose sent out via email and in the hand out that Dr. Campbell distributed during this meeting. What she wanted to highlight were the concerns they voiced to HEPC and to the Legislators about SB 409 and HB 4513. We want to keep our eyes on these two bills.
  - The Higher Education report card is out and you can find it on the HEPC website.
  - Research Grants are up. There is an average of 5.4% increase in tuition. Retention rates are varied with 54.9% at Tech and 77.7% at Marshall.
  - Faculty Salaries remain to rank low. Marshall ranks 14 out of 16 SREB States, that's in West Virginia general.
  - Point 10 on page 3: \$504 state employees raise; Teachers will get different raises.
  - Higher Education Day at the State Legislator was last Friday. They met with several legislators and discussed with them SB 409 and HB 4513. They also spoke with Senator Plymale regarding the higher education cuts and he took that concern to the floor without a resolution to ask his fellow senators to refrain from additional cuts. Which was quite inspiring.

- **REPORTS FROM 20/20 COMMITTEES:**
- Faculty Salary Adjustment Team: Continues to meet every two weeks. They are continuing to work with the Budget Working Group and on models for salary enhancements for the faculty.
- Budget Working Group: Shane Tomblin spoke on behalf of the BWG. Beginning in February, the BWG will meet every Friday. We are still trying to cover the \$14 million dollar shortfall. They are discussing outcomes to that shortfall. \$2.5 million is one estimate of the amount to bring the faculty salaries to median of their peers, but this amount is still being refined. March 14 the budgets will be due; April 9 final budgets are due; April 11 the BWG will review the budget requests; on June 15 the budgets will be entered into Banner.
- Vision: Tracy Christofero stated the Vision committee continues to meet every 2 weeks. They are now moving on to talk about values at Marshall and will be working on mission statements in the future.
- Roles & Responsibilities: No report
- Communications Plan: No report
- Academic Portfolio: The Academic Portfolio Review: Niche Statement are to be submitted to College/School Dean by March 31, 2014.
- Service Portfolio: They have begun to meet as a Steering Committee. “Rapid Response Team”. They will be working for about 90-120 days on this committee. They will look for services across campus, efficiency, cost savings, improvement of services, just what can we do to make sure the services are working the best way possible. Several action teams, people involved in travel will be asked to participate.
- Key Performance Indicators: Each of the groups are working on some of these. An actual report will be when all the reviews are complete and it will come together in the end.
- Pro Forma Models: This will be held off for a couple of months because the chairs and deans are working on the Academic Portfolio Review.
- **REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:**
  - The committee liaisons gave brief reports from their respective committees.
- **OTHER BUSINESS:**
  - None

- **REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO THE SENATE: (5 minutes per person)**
  - Dr. Pamela Mulder brought up in the constitution ‘how are we defining faculty’. Like ‘Term Faculty’ how do we define them? She asked that all senators speak with their constituents, get information that are on the contracts positions. We get their concerns and this body get information on what we can actually DO to do something about this.
  - Dr. Larry Stickler stated the University has done a lousy job in cleaning the parking lots of snow removal. He said he contacted Matt Turner and he said he would speak with ‘someone’ but there was no result.
  - Dr. Viola stated that one year temporary instructors work full time faculty hours, contribute to the faculty and university and feels it’s unjust to not include them in salary increases and faculty senate. He further stated that being a ‘temporary faculty instructor’, they are excluded from the Faculty Constitution and aren’t technically represented by Faculty Senators, and thus, feels this is unjust. He also stated he would be happy to send his concerns to Angie Rose and Dr. Larsen to send out the all the faculty. Dr. Viola requested to speak further with Dr. Larsen and Dr. Dan Holbrook further regarding this issue.
- **AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:**
  - None

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:20 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dr. Camilla Brammer, Recording Secretary  
Faculty Senate