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THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2015 AT 4:00 P.M. IN BE5 in the MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Stickler (Chair), Philippe Georgel (Assistant Chair), Nancy Lankton, Rex McClure, Shane Tomblin, Uday Tate, Burnis Morris, Susan Booton, Carrie Childers, Gregg Twietmeyer, Susan Welch, Jamil Chaudri, Andrew Nichols, Scott Simonton, Hillary Brewster, Robin Conley, Eric Migernier, Paige Muellerleile, Amine Oudghiri-Otmani, Shawn Schulenberg, Barbara Tarter, Stephen Underhill, Anthony Viola, Mindy Armstead, David Cartwright, Derrick Kolling, Carl Mummert, Liz Murray, Wendy Trzyna, Harold Blanco, Tom Klein, Tom Hisiro, Edna Meisel, David Chaffin, Jim Denvir, Emine Koc, Bobby Miller, Zach Tankersley, Leonard White, Stephanie Anderson, Kelli Johnson, Thom Walker.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Daesung Ha, Marc Sollosy, Uday Tate, Frederick Bartolovic, Mike Murphy, Rob Rabe, Monika Sawnhey, Pamela Mulder, Karen Mitchell, Lori Ellison, Isaac Larison, Feon Smith, Fadi Alkhankan, Charles Clements, Tom Dougherty, Raj Khanna, Jung Han Kim, Adrienne Mays, Jan Paul Muzilaar, Julie Robinson, Travis Salisbury, Megan Shepherd, Kara Willenburg, Eric Blough, John Biros.

EX-OFFICIO, VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Tracy Christofero (Graduate Council), Beth Campbell (ACF)

EX-OFFICIO, VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Cheryl Brown

GUESTS: Michael Prewitt, Steve Hensley, G. Burnside, Teresa Eagle, Timothy Melvin, Mary Beth Reynolds, John Maher, Sherri Smith, RB Bookwalter, Gayle Ormiston, Gary White, Dan Holbrook, Katie Wright, Alex O'Donnell, Cody Hatten, Michael McGuffey, Jan Ivy, and Mary Ellen Heuton.

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

• <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u>

Minutes of the February 26, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

• ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dr. Larry Stickler

- Senators should sit around the table, others should sit at the chairs provided, and cell phones should be set to silent mode. All should remember to sign in legibly.
- Introduction of Rachel Ward, new Faculty Senate Secretary
- The Executive Committee will convene again on Monday, April 6, 2015 at noon in the John Spotts Room.
- The Faculty Senate will convene again on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 4:00 PM in BE5 of the Memorial Student Center.
- The BOG has a meeting April 29, 2015.
- The next ACF meeting will be held on April 16, 2015, in Beckley.
- General faculty meeting Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 2pm in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse.
- The presidential search is underway. Larry Stickler and Marty Amerikaner are on the committee.

• MOTION FROM THE FLOOR

Senator requested to suspend the agenda to hear a request to speak to the Senate Motion, seconded, carried

- MU Kinesiology is hosting "Lose the Training Wheels" camp July 20-24, 2015 at Huntington High School. More information can be found at www.marshall.edu/lttw
- Senator moved to return to agenda, seconded, carried

• <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

- SR-14-15-28 BAPC recommendation for a change to the undergraduate Excused Absence Policy *There was discussion to amend this recommendation to include wording changes in document to also have a policy for excused absences regarding students taking laboratory classes.* WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED as amended.
- SR-14-15-30 Recommendation from the Faculty Personnel Committee regarding BOG Policy AA-7, Salary Increases for Tenured and Tenure-Track Faculty **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.**
- SR-14-15-31 CC recommendations for course additions in the following colleges: Education, Liberal Arts, and Science WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.
- SR-14-15-32 CC recommendations for area of emphasis additions in the following colleges: Health Professions, Outreach and Continuing Studies WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.
- SR-14-15-33 CC recommendations for program additions in the following colleges: Health Professions WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.
- SR-14-15-34 CC recommendations for course changes in the following colleges: Liberal Arts and Science WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.
- SR-14-15-35 CC recommendations for minor additions in the following colleges: Liberal Arts WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.
- SR-14-15-36 CC recommendations for major changes in the following colleges: Liberal Arts WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.

Resolutions:

• Resolution to Include More Representation to University President Search Committee WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.

• MOTION FROM THE FLOOR

Senator requested to suspend the agenda to hear recommendation from the Curriculum Committee Motion, seconded, carried

- SR-14-15-37 CC recommendations for changes in course MTH 102 to change from 3 credit hours to 4 credit hours. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.
- Resolution for Senate to oppose the adoption of the NCAA Full Cost Attendance Award as well as the addition of any other award or financial compensation to athletes to attend Marshall University WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.

• <u>**REPORT OF THE INTERIM UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:** Gary White</u>

- Spoke of several legislative concerns in the upcoming period to the end of the session.
 - 1. After hard work by our delegation, the Governor restored \$1 million
 - 2. The Governor vetoed certain line items reducing the budget by \$1.3 million
 - 3. The Governor wants to use \$14 million from the rainy day fund; this is the amount that can be used without adversely affecting WV's bond rating
 - 4.The legislature had reduced funding for certain singled out programs by 80% however $\frac{1}{2}$ of those funds have been restored.
- The work of the 20/20 committees is moving forward
- The face of Higher Education will change substantially in the next 5-10 years. We need to work together to stay in a good financial position through 20/20, zero based budgeting, etc.
- The presidential search is in process
 - 1. Advertised two weeks ago
 - 2. The consultants are optimistic of a high quality pool of applicants
 - 3. The first weekend in May, interviews of about 10 applicants will take place in a neutral spot
 - 4. Hope for mid-May onsite visits by 3-4 finalists
 - 5. If this search fails we will go back to square one to find the right candidate for MU
- Question was raised about reconsidering the tuition structure and if tuition will rise to meet rising costs. This is the number 1 question Mr. White gets. Tuition increases are a concern and will have to be considered very carefully.
- Question was raised about handling the \$1.3 million budget reduction. Mr. White stated that many people are working on this issue and he could not make any assumptions before the final budget came out.

• <u>REPORT OF THE PROVOST:</u> Dr. Gayle Ormiston

- First year freshman enrollments are up by 2.7%; deposits are up 6.6%, in-state enrollment is also up
- Service portfolio review the online program committee is making changed that will be phased in over the next 2 years.

• <u>BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S REPORT</u>: Dr. Marty Amerikaner –

• A written report was sent to the senate.

• <u>ACF REPORT:</u> Dr. Beth Campbell –

- A written report was sent to the senate.
- Great Teacher Seminar 6/15-18, spots left
- Dr. Campbell will not be running for re-election; an alternate ACF rep can also be elected; please talk to Dr. Campbell if you have any questions.
- Questions were asked about the 70% transfer rule. When will it go into effect? Will this include credits earned overseas as well? How would this be regulated? This questions cannot be answered at this time.

• <u>REPORTS FROM 20/20 COMMITTEES:</u>

- <u>Budget Working Group:</u> No report
- <u>Vision/Mission:</u> No report
- <u>Communications Plan:</u> No report
- <u>Roles & Responsibilities:</u> No report
- <u>Academic Portfolio:</u> No report
- <u>Service Portfolio:</u> Last meeting was productive. Worked on implementation timelines. Lots of productive cooperation. Second draft of timelines due by April 7 with feedback due by April 20.
- <u>Pro-Forma Model:</u> The model has been used with one undergraduate program, one graduate program, and one new program. The committee will get together to get the model out to a larger group.
- <u>Key performance indicators:</u> No report

• <u>REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:</u>

- Legislative Affairs No report
- Library Met on February 24. Health Science Library had a 12% budget reduction, cancelled 2 journal packages and has an operating budget of \$1,500 for the rest of the fiscal year. 60% of HSL has been converted to administrative space. The libraries continue to work together to buy in bulk and offset budget reductions. MU Libraries currently spends \$99 per student; in contrast the University of Wyoming libraries spend \$500 per student. No purchases have been made in support of either the Engineering or Pharmacy programs due to budget cuts. MU Libraries has been added to the Pro Forma Model. The CFO will address budget shortfalls.

Statement was made regarding parents asking about resources and the likelihood of the lack of library resources affecting recruitment.

- Physical Facilities & Planning A survey was sent out. The committee will compile information and note safety deficits and make recommendations to address the issues.
- Research- No report
- Student Conduct & Welfare- No report

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• University Functions- Had 1 meeting. No recommendations were addressed. Officers were elected for next year.

• <u>AGENDA REOUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:</u>

• None

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:16 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Ellison, Recording Secretary Faculty Senate

Kelli Johnson MU Libraries

MINUTES READ:

Dr. Larry Stickler, Chair Faculty Senate

Mr. Gary White, Interim President Marshall University