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Faculty Senate discusses academic calendar

(The following report on the Oct. 31 meeting of the Marshall University Faculty Senate was submitted by Kay Wildman, secretary.)


The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Faculty Sen­
ate President Elaine Baker. Because of tight schedules and spe­
cial matters, the agenda was re­
ered, beginning with the re­
port of the president.

Report of the University President:

Marshall President J. Wade Gilley announced that the new li­brary will be named in honor of John Deaver Drinko who has contributed more than $5 million and has been a long-time sup­port­er of the university. More than $28 million has been raised for the library will be named in honor of John Deaver Drinko who has contributed more than $5 million and has been a long-time sup­port­er of the university. More than $28 million has been raised for the library period. Both expressed their support for two recommendations to those in higher education.

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Central receives grant to study firearms use

The Marshall University Research Center’s West Virginia Sta­
tional Analysis Unit has received a one-year, $20,000 grant from the Justice Research and Statistical Associa­tion for a proposal titled “An Exploratory Study to Measure the Avail­ability and Use of Firearms in West Virginia Domestic Violence Incidents: A Racial Perspective.”

The grant from the Justice Research and Statistical Associa­tion and the U.S. Department of Justice National Domestic Dis­tricts are two of the top two in the University. The University will be named in honor of John Deaver Drinko who has contributed more than $5 million and has been a long-time sup­port­er of the university. More than $28 million has been raised for the library period.

Connor retiring from MU

Clifford “Cliff” Connor, manager of build­ing trades in the Department of Residential Services, is announcing his intention af­ter 22 years with Marshall Univer­sity. A reception will be held in his honor Fri­

day, Nov. 15, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the John Marshall Dining Room in Memorial Stud­
ent Center.

Connor served in the U.S. Navy for 20 years prior to accepting a position in hous­ing maintenance at Marshall’s Plant Oper­ations Department.

He then was selected to set up and organize the housing main­taining of Residence Services in the basement of Holmes Hall. He started with a five-member crew and was responsible for the residence buildings and University Heights.

There are now 16 full-time and six part-time staff members in his area. Along with the additional employees, responsibilities for maintaining the Memorial Student Center and dining halls were added to Curry’s position.

Curry’s wife, Vida, also plans to retire soon. They are looking forward to spending time with their children and grandchildren and taking an Alaskan cruise. Curry also wants to become more involved in activities at his church and church camp.

All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend the recep­tion and congratulate Curry on his retirement.
Marshall faculty and staff achievements

Dr. JOHN N. VIELKIND, associate professor and chair of the Department of Philosophy; Dr. JEREMY L. BARRIS, associate professor of philosophy, and Dr. JEFFREY L. POWELL, assistant professor of philosophy, attended the 25th annual meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy held Oct. 10-12 at Georgetown University. ROBBIE ASHWOOD from the philosophy major, also attended the meeting.

W. JOSEPH MCCOY, associate professor of political science, served as president-elect and program chairman, for the annual meeting of the West Virginia Political Science Association held Oct. 25-26 by the MU Political Science Department. MCCOY now assumes the presidency of the association. Professors ROBERT BEHRMAN, CHRISTINE HENDERSON, LYN RIGSBEE and SIMON PERRY of the MU Political Science Department served as paper reviewers and panel discussants. Dr. TROY M. STEWART, chair of the Political Science Department, made a presentation during a roundtable about West Virginia politics. The WVPSA was founded in Huntington in 1968. Dr. PAUL D. STEWART, graduate dean emeritus, is one of the founders and attended this year's meeting. Dr. CLAIR W. MATZ, professor of political science, said that over the years nearly every faculty member in the MU Department of Political Science has served as president of the organization.

Dr. LYNNE WELCH, dean of the School of Nursing, presented a paper titled "Developing University/Community Partnerships: The Role of the West Virginia Academy of Nursing Education and Research" at the annual meeting of the American Society for Microbiology held April 9-12 in Washington, D.C. She is the West Virginia State Commissioner for ACAPAD and has been re-elected secretary/treasurer for her second term. WELCH recently was awarded the Outstanding Regional Administrator Award for the South/east/South Region of ACAPAD. The region includes the District of Columbia, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Tennessee and East Texas. WELCH is president of the West Virginia Partners of the Americas and recently represented the partnership at a meeting in Washington, D.C.

West Virginia FACDIS presents award to Matz

Thirty-three Marshall University faculty and administrators attended the 20th annual conference of West Virginia FACDIS, a statewide network of international educators, held Nov. 7-8 at Mercer College in Huntington.

Marshall President J. Wade Gilley addressed the opening luncheon and made a presentation on "Nationalizing Marshall University." Dr. Betty J. Cleckley, vice president for multicultural and international programs, also attended.

Dr. Clair W. Matz, professor of political science, received the 1996 Outstanding Study Abroad Adviser award. The award includes a $250 grant to the Marshall University Foundation that will be used to aid students studying abroad.

Marshall faculty attending the meeting were: Howard G. Adkins, Berri W. Gross, Mack H. Gillenwater, Peggy M. Gripschover, Charles F. Gruber, Daniel Holbrook, Carolyn Karr, Ahmad Khalili, Monserrat Miller, Steve Riddle and Matz.

The conference is an in-service faculty development program to improve foreign language skills to international students. This year marked the last conference for Dr. Sophia Peterson of West Virginia University/Community College-Consortium.

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