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**MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1996
IN THE JOHN MARSHALL ROOM, MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Abramson, Blankenship, Desai, Stone, Sottile, Karickhoff, Lowry, Marley, Stern, Anthony, Jackson, Cornfeld, Baker, Dennison, Duke, Gripshover, Perkins, Shaver, Dolmetsch, Taft, Woodward, Merritt-Damron, Doyle, Perry, Brown, Finver, Januszkiewicz, Green, Guyer, Larsen, Reichenbecher, Simmons, Walker, Stotts, Tarter, Aluthge, Hubbard, May, Pupplo-Cody, and several guests.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hall, Turner, Miller, Gross, Rotter, Wildman, Cowell, Beaver, Davis, Valluri, Wilson; and parliamentarian, Denman.

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Faculty Senate President, Elaine Baker.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 10/31/96:

Duke moved, and it was seconded, approval. Motion carried.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Presidential action on recommendations of 10/31/96:

All recommendations from October 31, 1996, meeting have been approved.

- Other:

--University functions committee is requesting names for honorary degree recipients.

--A letter was sent out concerning a faculty-student review session in the student center on the study day. They await responses from faculty.

--The December meeting will include food. We should be prepared for a long agenda.

--Mark Simmons announced that a faculty salary comparison is available at the door. He has added data for biological sciences faculty not included when the data were examined in the spring.

3. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT: Dr. J. Wade Gilley

The report was presented by Jan Fox. Marshall has received \$610,000 in awards from the state to provide for technological initiatives on the campus. These have the potential to be on-going awards.

4. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

SR-96-97-(5) 71 (FPC): Approval of Executive Policy Bulletin No. 11 on Appointment and Evaluation of Deans. This has returned after further consideration in committee. The changes are

editorial or reflect amendments made at the last meeting. Dolmetsch moved, and it was seconded, approval. Dolmetsch moved, and it was seconded, the following amendment: to strike the wording "up to" before three in page 2, paragraph 4 on consulting committee membership. Motion to approve the amendment carried. Motion to approve the recommendation carried.

SR-96-97-(9) 75 (EC): Approval of resolution on areas of concern in regard to changes in Series 36. Baker reported that the Advisory Council of Faculty have recommended that no changes be made to Series 36 at this time because rationale for its revision has not been made clear. We can approve this, postpone it, or draft a new resolution. Perkins noted that we are not always given a great deal of time to react to board changes, and stated that rationale has been given for including clinical faculty and addressing problems raised by having two grievance procedures. Simmons noted that this rationale does not address many of the proposed changes.

Dolmetsch moved, and it was seconded, that we endorse the action of the ACF not to change Series 36. Motion carried.

Dolmetsch moved, and it was seconded, that we endorse the executive committee resolution with the proviso that it will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees should future revisions of Series 36 be suggested.

Mays moved, and it was seconded, to revise no. 5 to read: "librarians are concerned about their status on campus; the attached changes are recommended". Motion to amend carried.

The motion to endorse this resolution if needed in future carried.

SR-96-97-(10) 76 (PFPC): Approval of fee schedule for new parking permit holders. Staff Council has asked that we postpone this pending their review.

SR-96-97-(11) 77 (PFPC): Approval of parking permit fee schedule. Staff Council has asked that we postpone this pending their review.

Taft moved, and it was seconded, to postpone **SR-96-97 (10) 76** and **SR-96-97-(11) 77**. Motion carried.

SR-96-97-(12) 78 (APC): Approval of Mission Statement for 1995-2000. Dolmetsch moved, and it was seconded, approval.

Taft asked if English department recommendations had been received and considered by the graduate school. Deutsch stated that they had not been received but would be considered. They were as follows: 1) A nine (9) hour load for Graduate Faculty when teaching a graduate course, and 2) A point system (leading to a course reduction after reaching a set number of points) for Graduate Faculty who direct/sit on MA Thesis Committees. These recommendations will be sent to the Graduate Committee for review. After further discussion, Dolmetsch moved, and it was seconded, the following amendment: to substitute "hopes" for expectations in Appendix III, Section 3, (c),

concerning research and creative activity. Motion failed 15 to 11 after division of the house.

Brown moved, and it was seconded, the following amendment: to substitute "must" for should in Appendix III, Section 3, (c) concerning the library. Motion carried.

The main motion to adopt the Mission Statement as amended carried.

5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Academic Planning:** James Sottile

Several programs have passed program review; others are being considered.

- **Athletic:** Ben Miller

No report.

- **Budget and Academic Policy:** Caroline Perkins

A recommendation to eliminate the WP/WF period has been sent to senate; it will extend the W period to the twelfth week of the semester. Another recommendation adds religious holidays to list of excused absences. A third changes the name of the Department of Theatre/Dance to the Department of Theatre. A fourth recommends issuance of midterm grade reports to assist in student retention.

- **Faculty Personnel:** Thomas Wilson

A recommendation concerning Executive Policy Bulletin No. 11 has been forwarded, as has one concerning librarians. The committee is looking at the issue of fraternization between faculty and students, and will be looking at the salary policy.

- **Curriculum Committee:** Hal Shaver

Many course changes have been examined.

- **Faculty Development:** Margaret Gripshover

Twenty grants have been approved; the committee is examining its role in regard to the Faculty Development Office.

- **Graduate Committee:** William Marley

Course changes and language changes are on-going for the new catalog. November 25th is the final deadline for changes from the departments. Graduate faculty status has also been granted to several individuals.

- **Legislative Affairs:** Daniel Cowell

No report.

- **Library Committee:** Ed Taft

A handout was available at the door concerning the library budget in comparison with our peers. Committee is recommending an increase in base funding for library materials acquisitions. Simmons noted that the level of current library funding is an embarrassment.

6. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO SENATE:

None

7. OLD BUSINESS:

None

8. OPEN FORUM:

None

9. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

None

Faculty Senate adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Jackson, Vice President
Marshall University Faculty Senate

MINUTES READ:

Elaine Baker, President
Marshall University Faculty Senate

Dr. J. Wade Gilley, President
Marshall University