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**THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING  
HELD  
ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2010, AT 4:00 P.M. IN  
ROOM BE5 OF THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Fred Mader, Rex McClure, Joe Stone, Deepak Subedi, Maurice Lockridge (Assistant Chair), Linda Dobbs, Joan St. Germain, Mark Zanter, Brian Morgan, Ralph Oberste-Vorth, Bonita Lawrence, Karen Mitchell, Liz Murray, Basant Karna, Scott Sarra, Tom Jones, Burnis Morris, Jennifer Perry, Karen McNealy, Kelly Harlow, Sandra Prunty, Pat Conlon, Wael Zatar, Chuck Bailey, Eldon Larsen, Janet Dozier, Jennifer Mak, Mary Jo Graham, Gregg Twietmeyer, Keith Beard, Camilla Brammer (Chair), Marty Laubach, Donna Sullivan, Barbara Tarter, Christina Burgueno, Christine Huhn, Thomas Linz, Genevieve Meyers, Kathleen Bledsoe, Jennifer Sias (Recording Secretary), Ernest Walker, Nancy Norton, Mike Goldman, Rudy Wang, Elaine Hardman, Charles Clements, Pier Paolo Claudio, Sandra Stroebel, and Tracy Christofero.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jonathan Cox, Eric Arnold, Chris White, and Tina Sias.

**PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Cheryl Brown present.

**GUESTS:** Margie Phillips, Andrew Gooding, Larry Stickler, Dallas Brozik, Bill Rosenberger, Mike Dunn, Stephen Tipler, Mary Todd, Monica Brooks, Rosalyn Templeton, Frances Hensley, Rudy Pauley, Robert Bookwalter, Corley Dennison, Gayle Ormiston, Stephen Kopp, Michael McGuffey, and Breanna Jones.

Declaring that there was a quorum, Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Camilla Brammer called the meeting to order at approximately 4:02 p.m.

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the January 28, 2010 meeting were approved as written.

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dr. Camilla Brammer**

- A. Announced a reminder to everyone that they are to sign-in; senators should sit around the table; guests should sit in the chairs provided; and cell phones should be set to “silent” mode. To ensure an accurate recording of the meeting, senators should use the microphones when speaking and are to state their name and department.
- B. Welcomed back Ernest Walker who had been out due to surgery.
- C. Announced that the next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Monday, March 1, 2010 beginning at 12:00 p.m. in room BE5 of the Memorial Student Center.
- D. Announced that the next meeting of the Faculty Senate is scheduled for Thursday, March 18, 2010 beginning at 4:00 p.m. in Room BE5 of the Memorial Student Center.
- E. Announced the February meeting schedules: ACF – met February 18, 2010 in Charleston, WV; HEPC – has no meeting scheduled in February; and the MUBOG – met February 18, 2010.

- F. Announced that a reminder has been sent to Dr. Kopp pertaining to his or his designee reporting to the Faculty Senate about salary monies as stated in SR-07-08-(29) 60 FECRAHC.
- G. Announced that the Budget & Academic Policy Committee has responded to its charge to review the incomplete grade policy with consideration of the difficulties recently experienced by faculty. The committee's decision states that after reviewing the document provided, which detailed the difficulties, they "...did not recommend any changes to the current policy. The examples referred to issues that were not directly related to the assignment of an incomplete grade, and were problems that could have been resolved by interactions between the students and their relative advisor or instructor." and a recommendation will not be issued for presentation to the Faculty Senate.
- H. Announced that the Athletic Committee has completed its charge to review a document received from COIA (Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics) pertaining to finances/funding of university athletic departments. The committee voted affirmatively that COIA should provide the Academics First Resolution to the faculty senates of division I FBS institutions for discussion. The last correspondence indicated that COIA have not yet received a quorum of votes.
- I. Reminded everyone that there are two established means for requesting to speak to the Senate, (1) to do so at a faculty senate meeting when that agenda item is addressed, and (2) to make the request at an executive committee meeting so they may place the item on the faculty senate agenda.
- J. Requested that senators inform their constituents that 12:00 p.m. Friday, March 19, 2010 is the deadline for submitting curricular items. Both the hardcopy and PDF versions are needed in the Faculty Senate office and that although Bernice will be out of the office items can be slid under the door.
- K. Introduced Robert Bookwalter, Chair of the General Education Council to discuss beginning Core I courses during summer instead of fall semester. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO MODIFY THE RATIONALE OF SR-08-09-36R CFAHC TO PERMIT CORE I COURSES, ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS, TO BEGIN IN THE SUMMER III TERM INSTEAD OF FALL 2010.**
- L. As stated at the January 2010 meeting, Chair Brammer opened a question and discussion period with the Faculty Senate about the final report from the Faculty Petition Investigation Ad Hoc Committee. There were no questions or discussion, however, Mary Jo Graham requested to read a statement. **SHE FELT THE REPORT WAS THOROUGH AND VERY CLEAR; SHE COULD UNDERSTAND IT AND WITH THE OTHER REPORTS PROVIDED BY THE PROVOST AND REGISTRAR HER QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED SUFFICIENTLY. SHE AGREES WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES NEED TO BE REVIEWED AND AMENDED TO PROVIDE CLARIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE BUDGET & ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE HAS ALREADY BEEN CHARGED. SHE ASKES THAT THE HARRANGES AND DISPARAGEMENT OF THE FACULTY SENATE BE ENDED AND THAT EVERYONE MOVE FORWARD TO DEVELOP CONSTRUCTIVE CHANGES TO NECESSARY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.**

**MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PER WV CODE 6-9A-4**

**MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

**MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED THAT THE MATTER DISCUSSED DURING THE EXECUTIVE SESSION BE DIRECTED TO STUDENT AFFAIRS.**

**3. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**SR-09-10-(27) 73 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed **COURSE ADDITIONS** in the following colleges and/or school, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, HONORS COLLEGE, and SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATIONS and the **COURSE DELETION** in the HONORS COLLEGE. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

**SR-09-10-(28) 74 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed **COURSE CHANGES** in the following colleges and/or school: COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS, COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, and the HONORS COLLEGE. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

**SR-09-10-(29) 75 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed **REQUEST FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE OF A MAJOR OR PROGRAM – MINOR – AREA OF EMPHASIS** in the following colleges and/or school: SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATIONS, COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, and OUTREACH & CONTINUING EDUCATION. ***WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

**4. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Each liaison reported to-date on their respective committee; Chris White was absent, no report for Student Conduct & Welfare Committee.

**5. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT: Dr. Stephen Kopp**

- Provided highlights on the spring 2010 enrollment: full-time equivalent has increased 3.3% or 318 students; the freshman retention rate from fall to spring is 89.3%; and overall every category of students, except for a slight dip in graduate enrollment, has increased with there being 85 new full-time freshmen and 306 transfer students.
- Indications for the fall 2010 enrollment suggests a record number of freshmen and the request to begin Core I courses in Summer III are among the strategies being considered to meet the increase in demand for courses.
- He discussed the Deferred Maintenance and American Disabilities Act Report (accessible from the president's website) stating that the true costs are \$7 million; the capital renewal

for facilities to modernize and make operational improvements totals \$67 million. There is discussion in the legislature that the EAST (education, science and tourism) Bonds that were used to build the Clay Center and will be paid this year may be reissued. This could provide \$150 million to the state with \$90 million appropriated to higher education. MU could receive \$22 million to be used for modernizing academic buildings within the next three years.

- The Capital Projects List is submitted to the HEPC every year; it contains a listing of every project conceivable and is not in a priority order. It is the MUBOG who determines the priorities in a consultative process. He welcomes input from the Physical Facilities & Planning Committee with regard to capital projects.
- He is watching and keeping track on several house and senate bills that have been introduced this session and which relate to higher education.
- Saturday, February 27, 2010 is the dedication of the new Foundation & Alumni Hall. All are invited to attend.
- He and his staff are working hard on budget planning.
- A MU iPhone application has been created and may be downloaded at [www.marshall.edu/mumobile](http://www.marshall.edu/mumobile).
- He expressed gratitude to everyone involved with the Diversity Breakfast & Roundtable, both events were very successful.
- Invited everyone to participate in the faculty/staff appreciation basketball game scheduled for March 2, 2010. Two free tickets are available to faculty and staff.

#### **6. REPORT OF THE PROVOST: Dr. Gayle Ormiston**

- Expressed congratulations to Dr. Bonita Lawrence for being a finalist in the WV Teacher of the Year contest.
- He distributed a handout (on file in the Faculty Senate office) pertaining to the Additional Discussions scheduled for the Campus Conversations 2010.

#### **7. BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S REPORT: Dr. Larry Stickler**

- Met February 18, 2010 with an item of discussion being the monies required to meet the needs of deferred maintenance and to update classrooms.
- He appreciates the responses he receives from faculty when the BOG agenda is sent to them and wanted to inform everyone that the provost's report includes academic updates. He desires faculty to continue sending him their thoughts and concerns.
- The next meeting is scheduled for April 22, 2010 and the agenda should include an update of the academic plan.

#### **8. ACF REPORT: Dr. Chuck Bailey**

- In the morning on February 19, 2010 (Higher Education Day at the Capitol) they met with members of the WV legislature and conducted their regular meeting that afternoon.

- They are also tracking bills introduced in the house and senate that pertain to higher education.
- He will miss the next Faculty Senate meeting as the ACF is scheduled to meet on that day as well.

**9. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO THE SENATE: (5 minutes per person)**

- A. Ms. Margie Phillips, Sustainability Manager, Physical Plant.
- B. Dr. Dallas Brozik, Finance & Economics, LCOB

**10. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:**

There were none.

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:33 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Ms. Jennifer Sias, Recording Secretary  
Faculty Senate