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THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD
ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2006, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE
DON MORRIS ROOM OF THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rex McClure, Uday Tate, Shane Tomblin, Deepak Subedi, Larry Stickler (Chair), Linda Dobbs, Dan Babb, Bonnie Lawrence, Brian Morgan, Ralph Oberste-Vorth, Clayton Brooks (Recording Secretary), Daniel Dementiev, Jennifer Perry, Karen McNealy, Kelly Harlow, Sandra Prunty, John Biros, Barbara O’Byrne, Stephen O’Keefe, Jerry Doyle, Ben Miller, Sissy Isaacs, James Burton, Laura Wyant, Gary McIlvain, Janet Dozier, Melisa Reed, James Leonard, Marybeth Beller, Susan Gilpin, Pam Mulder, Keith Beard, Camilla Brammer, Marty Laubach, Donna Sullivan, David Winter, Floyd Csir, Wendy Moorhead, William Cocke, Kenneth Guyer (Assistant Chair), Nancy Norton, and Mike Goldman.


PARLIAMENTARIAN: Cheryl Brown present.


Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Larry Stickler called the meeting to order at approximately 4:03 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

   There was a quorum. Minutes of the September 28, 2006 meeting were approved as read.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dr. Larry Stickler

   A. Introduced new senators Mike Goldman of SOM and Rex McClure of LCOB.
   B. Reminded those senators who have not received their reference binder that they are available for pickup in the Faculty Senate office.
   C. Announced a reminder that Senators should sit around the table, others should sit at the chairs provided and cell phones should be set to “silent” mode.
   D. Announced a reminder that Senators and guests are to sign-in for each meeting; the sign-in sheet is on the table located by the entrance.
   E. Announced a reminder that those seated in the gallery should refrain from conversations or go out of the room to have conversations.
   F. Announced that the Executive Committee will meet Monday, November 13, 2006 beginning at 12:00 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center’s John Spotts Room.
   G. Announced that the next meeting of the Faculty Senate is scheduled for Thursday, November 30, 2006 beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center’s Don Morris Room. The meeting is a week later due to the Fall Break/Thanksgiving Holidays.
H. Announced the October meeting schedules: ACF – met October 19, 2006 in Beckley, WV; HEPC – met October 25, 2006 in South Charleston, WV; and the MUBOG – met October 12, 2006 in Huntington, WV.

I. Announced that Chuck Bailey, SOJMC, has been elected as the ACF alternate; that Karl Winton, COLA, has been elected to the Hedrick Committee; that Stephen O’Keefe, MUGC, has been elected to the Pickens-Queen Committee; and that he is the representative on the Reynolds Committee.

J. Announced the following committee charges:
   1. University Functions Committee—Structure of the fall General Faculty Meeting.
   2. University Functions Committee—Selection of a Chief Marshal.
   3. Physical Facilities & Planning Committee—HVAC system in Smith Hall.
   4. Athletic Committee—Endorsement of resolution from East Carolina University.

3. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT: Dr. Stephen Kopp

   He began his report by showing the new student recruitment video and trailer of the “We Are . . . Marshall!” movie. He spoke at length about the two handouts, Marshall Commitment and Planning Ideas—Higher Learning Accountability and Performance and the presentation, Progress Update Strategic Initiatives & Priorities which is accessible from the website www.marshall.edu/president, located under the heading About Marshall University-Presentations, with the link being Faculty Senate 10-26-06 (all on file in the Faculty Senate office.

4. BOARD OF GOVERNOR’S REPORT: Dr. James Sottile, Jr. and Mr. Menis Ketchum

   He reported that the Board has approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the Marshall Foundation; the Board approved two policies, GA-12 General Conflict of Interest and GA-13 Whistleblower Policy with Mr. Tom Linkous being appointed as the administer; and that the Board has approved two budgetary items.

   He introduced the Board’s Chairman, Mr. Menis Ketchum who solicited and responded to questions.

   Dr. Stickler presented Mr. Ketchum with an engraved gavel for use by the current and future chairs of the Board of Governors.

5. ACF REPORT: Dr. Ben Miller

   He reported that the ACF recently met in Beckley, WV; the group made a presentation to the Higher Education Policy Commission; the group attended a presentation by the Chancellor of the Community & Technical College system; there was discussion of a staff issue—there is currently an attempt to get retirees to change from PEIA insurance coverage to Medicare; there was discussion of student issues—access to higher education and the cost of textbooks; it was reported that the student graduation rate has increased from 42% to 49% which could equate to an increase in funding from the state; the selection of peer institutions is in the
developmental stage with the comment period just ended; and the governor has given the HEPC a charge to develop cost cutting initiatives.

6. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

   Each liaison reported to-date on their respective committee.

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

   **MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO ACCEPT TWO CURRICULAR ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR.**

   **CURRICULUM ACTION REQUEST FORMS:** Regents Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) from the School of Extended Education. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.**

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

   There were none.

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:40 P.M.**