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**THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD
ON THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2006, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE
DON MORRIS ROOM OF THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joe Stone, Joseph Samek, Ashish Chandra, Uday Tate, Shane Tomblin, Joan St. Germain, Larry Stickler (Chair), Stephen Lawson, Clayton Brooks, Ashok Vaseashta, Karen Mitchell, Peter Saveliev, Bonnie Lawrence, Brian Morgan, Ralph Oberste-Vorth, Chuck Bailey, Dan Hollis, Denise Landry, Debi Woda, Susan Imes, Karen McNealy, Venkat Gudivada, Stephen O'Keefe, Barbara O'Byrne, Jerry Doyle, Ben Miller, Janet Dozier, James Sottile, Sissy Isaacs, James Burton, Melinda Backus, George Watson, Nick Freidin, Cheryl Brown (Assistant Chair), James Leonard, Marybeth Beller, Pam Mulder, Jamie Warner, Rainey Duke, Keith Beard, Wendy Moorhead, Floyd Csir, Rudy Wang, Charles Clements, Vernon Reichenbecher, William Cocke, Kenneth Guyer (Recording Secretary), Ernest Walker, and Nancy Norton.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Murphy, Dan Babb, Jerise Fogel, Karl Winton, and Tina Sias.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Dallas Brozik present.

GUESTS: Lawrence Shao, Harlan Smith, Andy Sikula, Liz Alexander, Jacqueline Agesa, Allan Stern, Menis Ketchum, Stephen Kopp, Chandra Akkihal, Judith Silver, Tony Szwilski, Chong Kim, Son Le, Rosalyn Templeton, Herb Karlet, Christina Murphy, Chris Luchs, Marie Archambault, Jean Price, Scott Denning, Sarah Denman, Corley Dennison, Frances Hensley, Paul Uselding, Rex McClure, Janet Dooley, Monica Brooks, Jean Chappell, Chris Cassidy, Al Williams, Dale Shao, and a few signatures that I could not decipher.

Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Larry Stickler called the meeting to order at approximately 4:05 p.m.

AS THE RECORDING SECRETARY HAD NOT YET ARRIVED DR. STICKLER SOLICITED A VOLUNTEER; CLAYTON BROOKS VOLUNTEERED.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

There was a quorum. Minutes of the March 30, 2006 meeting were approved as read.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. 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.
- B. Announced a reminder that Senators are to use the microphones and should state their name and college when addressing the senate.
- C. Announced a reminder that the last meeting for this academic year of the Faculty Senate is scheduled for Thursday, May 4, 2006 beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center's Don Morris Room.

- D. Announced that the University President has approved the following recommendations: SR-05-06-(21) 66-123 CC, SR-05-06-(22) 67-124 CC, and SR-05-06-(23) 68-125 CC.
- E. Announced that the meeting for newly elected and continuing senators for the purpose of electing officers, members of the executive committee, and standing committee liaisons was held on Tuesday, April 25, 2006. Election results are: Chair—Larry Stickler; Assistant Chair—Kenneth Guyer; Recording Secretary—Clayton Brooks. Remaining members of the Executive Committee are: Shane Tomblin—LCOB, James Burton—COEHS, Pam Mulder—COLA, Jean Chappell—COHP, Dan Hollis—SOJMC, John Biros—CITE, and Wendy Moorhead—LIB.
- F. Announced that results of college’s elections to fill senate terms expiring in 2006 have not been received from School of Medicine and MU Graduate College.
- G. Expressed appreciation to those senators who will not return next fall: LCOB—Joseph Samek and Ashish Chandra; COEHS—James Sottile (past president); COFA—Mike Murphy and Joan St. Germain; COLA—Nick Freidin, Cheryl Brown (assistant chair), Jerise Fogel, Karl Winton, and Rainey Duke (past president); COS—Ashok Vaseashta; SOJMC—Chuck Bailey; SOM—Rudy Wang, Charles Clements, and Vernon Reichenbecher; COHP—Denise Landry, and Susan Imes.

3. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

Dr. Kopp discussed the handout “Proposed Budget FY 2006-2007” (on file in the Faculty Senate office) stating that funding for the salary increases has been distributed across two fiscal years; the figure for the Byrd Biotechnology Science Center is an estimate; that \$4 hundred thousand additional dollars have been made available to academic programs; and that the Student Activities Budget Increases figure is per the request from the committee.

He stated that the economic impact study conducted by CBER of Marshall University and the Advantage Valley area relates that \$550 million dollars, 7700 jobs, and a value to the taxpayers of \$7.93 back to the state as a return on each dollar of their investment to the university.

He provided an update on the Strategic Vision Process stating that he has received reports from the various focus groups and the next steps will be to prepare an action plan involving the ten goals that includes progress indicators with benchmarks for noting success and determining budget allocations.

He provided an update on the recent North Central Association site visit stating that the university may receive a 10 year re-accreditation with no further reports being required and with the new academic programs being incorporated into the agreement. A preliminary report should be received in four to five weeks and from the feedback received from members of the site team they view Marshall University as a model in many areas.

He stated that, in the near future, an RFP (request for proposal) will be sent to developers to seek their bids on financing and building a capital plan that will include a student health-wellness center which may include a wellness center, parking facility, living/learning wellness hall, and a baseball/softball field. The university will maintain ownership of the

land and after 15-20 years the buildings will revert to ownership of the university; that the developers will own and be responsible for the buildings until they become the university's property. This is a unique approach for the university in that they will not relinquish quality control over the project and that this approach will free-up funds for other projects. This project is exempt from the state's Design/Build Act.

He spoke briefly on the Science, Math, and Engineering Academy and the recent activities surrounding the Warner Bros. filming of the "We Are....Marshall" film.

4. **BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S REPORT:**

Dr. Sottile expressed appreciation to Dr. Rudy Wang and others for their initial action in getting the Annual Experience Increment approved for faculty; that the Board has approved the Community College's obtaining an architect for a future building project; that the Board has approved the University's request for capital building projects; that the state appropriation of funds for the university is up approximately 7%; and that the Board has requested an examination of the university's recruitment and retention of students.

5. **ACF REPORT:**

Dr. O'Byrne reported that ACF met April 7, 2006 with discussion topics being a recap of the year's activities and the upcoming retreat. There was a report from Dr. Bruce Flack who discussed there being a need for the HEPC to define its mission; that there needs to be a state-wide review of academic programs; that faculty need to look at education and globalization; and standards for the K-12 Panel.

6. **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

SR-05-06-(18) 63-120R IS: It is requested that the total amount of equity and merit money allocated to the Elizabeth McDowell Lewis College of Business (LCOB) by the University using SR-03-04-49 FECAHC be distributed to the LCOB as 100% merit money. This policy will commence at the next available salary adjustment cycle and remain a continuing policy of the college. ***MOVED, SECONDED, AND DISAPPROVED.***

SR-05-06-(24) 69-126 APC: Recommends that the attached revision of the "Evaluator's Recommendation" language in the Program Review Evaluator's Check Sheet be approved for use. ***MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.***

SR-05-06-(25) 70-127 EAHC: WHEREAS, the Executive Ad Hoc Committee was charged with formulating a definition for the purpose of voting on matters within individual academic units by faculty who hold dual faculty/administrative positions, and after careful deliberation and consideration have arrived at the following. ***MOVED, SECONDED, AND DISAPPROVED.***

7. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

DUE TO THE LENGTH OF THE MEETING, IT WAS AGREED THAT REPORTS WOULD BE HEARD AT THE MAY 4, 2006 MEETING.

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

A. Dr. Clayton Brooks read a letter concerning the deadline for final grade submission.

9. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

There was none.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:52 P.M.