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THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD
ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2003, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE ALUMNI LOUNGE OF
THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joe Stone, Purnendu Mandal, Uday Tate, Terry Wiant, Mike Murphy,
Joan St. Germain, Larry Stickler (President), Stephen Lawson, Clayton Brooks, Ashok
Vaseashta, Karen Mitchell, Seth Bush, Dan Babb, Bonnie Lawrence, Brian Morgan, Ralph
Oberste-Vorth, Chuck Bailey, Dan Hollis, Denise Landry, Bruce Brown, Susan Imes, Karen
McNealy, Herbert Tesser, Nega Debela, Libby Boyles, Jerry Doyle, Edwina Pendarvis, Melisa
Reed, Sissy Isaacs, James Burton, Howard Gordon, George Watson, Nick Freidin, Cheryl Brown
(Vice-President), Jerise Fogel, Kellie Bean, John Young, Pam Mulder, Janet Badia, Rainey
Duke, Kathie Williams, Judith Arnold, David Gray, Gerald Oakley, Rudy Wang, Mike Gibbs,
Charles Clements, Isabel Pino, Vernon Reichenbecher, Elizabeth Kurczynski, Eduardo Pino,
Tina Sias.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rick Weible, James Leonard, Kenneth Guyer (Secretary), Gary Gilbert,
David Yates, William Cocke, Paulette Wehner.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Dallas Brozik present.

GUESTS: Alice Green, Allan Stern, Elaine Baker, Janet Dooley, Donna Donathan, Tony
Szwilski, Tony Williams, Rebecca Cantley-Falk, Frances Hensley, Corley Dennison, James
Sottile, Christina Murphy, Hal Shaver, Brandon Stevens, Ben Miller, Steve Hensley, Sarah
Denman.

Faculty Senate President, Dr. Larry Stickler called the meeting to order at approximately 4:02
p.m..

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

There was a quorum. Minutes of the May 8, 2003 meeting were approved as amended; it
was confirmed that Jerise Fogel was in attendance, but failed to sign-in.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A. Requested a moment of silence to remember Joe Abramson and Steven Shuklian.
B. Reminded Senators that they should sit around the table and others should sit at the
chairs or oval table provided.
C. Informed new Senators that they should sign-in and pick up any handouts as they
enter the room.
D. Reminded the Executive Committee that members have been requested to remain
after adjournment.
E. Requested each Senator to introduce themselves by giving name, department and
college.
F. Distributed 2002-03 perfect attendance certificates—Judith Arnold, Chuck Bailey, Clayton Brooks, Bruce Brown, Cheryl Brown, Seth Bush, Dan Hollis, Susan Imes, Mike Murphy, Melisa Reed, Elaine Baker, Wendy Moorhead, and Clara Reese. Reminded Senators that there are no excused absences; an absence is an absence.

G. Dallas Brozik reviewed the Procedural Notes from the Parliamentarian (on file in the Senate office).

H. Solicited Senators for Liaison positions on the following committees: Faculty Personnel and Student Conduct & Welfare. Bonnie Lawrence volunteered for Faculty Personnel and Pam Mulder volunteered for Student Conduct & Welfare.

I. Solicited a member for the Reynolds/Pickens-Queen Committee. Karen Mitchell volunteered.

J. Reminded Senators that they may not participate on more than one standing committee.

K. Presented a plaque of recognition to Donna Donathan for her service as President of the Senate.

L. Announced that the University President has approved the following Recommendations: SR-02-03-(60) 90 through (65) 95 which were submitted by the Curriculum Committee.

M. Announced the receipt of a thank you letter from Wesley Shanhoelter expressing appreciation for the rocking chair and plaque he received upon retirement.

N. Announced that the University Functions Committee has been charged with the task of developing a gift plan for retiring faculty that is based on years of service and that the Physical Facilities & Planning Committee has been charged to address a second-hand smoke complaint.

O. Announced congratulations to Ashok Vaseashta for receiving a NATO grant of $50,000.

P. Announced that the Executive Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 7, 2003 will begin at 12:00 p.m. in the MSC John Spotts Room; then beginning at 1:00 p.m. they will meet with the BOG Evaluation Committee.

Q. Announced the following Faculty Senate meetings dates: October 23, 2003; November 20, 2003; and December 11, 2003 (all meetings begin at 4:00 p.m. and will be in the Alumni Lounge).

3. **REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:**

Dr. Angel stated that he is seeking the Senate’s advice of what direction and actions he should take in light of Governor Wise’s comment that he and other administrators of higher education institutions should “stop complaining and cooperate” in making the requested 9.6 percent reduction to their 2004-05 fiscal budget. He explained that the HEPC and two institution’s Board of Governors have passed resolutions requesting no further budget cuts for higher education and he feels it is our responsibility to inform the public as to what harm will befall us with additional reductions. **MOVED, SECONDED AND UNANAMOUSLY PASSED A PROPOSAL OF SUPPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT’S ACTIONS.**
4. **BOARD OF GOVERNOR’S REPORT:**

Dr. Sottile distributed and discussed the July 16th and September 10th meeting agenda and a handout (all on file in the Senate office) detailing the costs, now and future, for renovating several buildings on campus. He also urged all Senators to appeal to their colleagues to complete the evaluation of the president that is available online via myMU.

5. **ACF REPORT:**

Dr. Miller reported that during the ACF retreat in June they developed their legislative goals and he thanked the Legislative Affairs Committee and the Faculty Senate for their labor in providing the groundwork with their presentation to the Legislative Education Committee this past summer.

6. **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**SR-03-04-01 EC:** Recommends approval of the attached Executive Policy Bulletin No. 15 as amended on March 14, 2003. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED**

**SR-03-04-02 EC:** Recommends approval of the attached “Rule on Adjunct Faculty.” **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED TO TABLE UNTIL THE OCTOBER MEETING**

7. **REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO THE SENATE:**

A. Janet Dooley, Faculty Evaluation and Compensation Committee
   She provided an update on the actions of the committee and its subcommittees.
B. David Gray, Library Serials Cancellation Project
   He stated that tomorrow a listing of serials to be cancelled will be available online from the Library’s homepage.

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

There were none.

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:05 P.M.**