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THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD
ON THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2003, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE ALUMNI LOUNGE OF
THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kurt Olmosk, Blaker Bolling, Joe Abramson, Purnendu Mandal,
Glenda Lowry, Sissy Isaacs, Clara Reese, James Sottile, Jr. (President), Roxane Dufrene, Melisa
Reed, Elaine Baker, Pam Mulder, Stephen Haas, Jerise Fogel, Ray Rappold, Jerry Jones, Chuck
Bailey, Dan Hollis, Larry Stickler (Vice-President), Mike Murphy, Joan St. Germain, Seth Bush,
Chuck Somerville, Jeff May, Clayton Brooks (Secretary), Ashok Vaseashta, Karen Mitchell,
Bruce Brown, Susan Imes, Karen McNealy, Wendy Moorhead, Judith Arnold, Eldon Larsen,
Robert Williams, Kenneth Guyer, Beverly Delidow, Rudy Wang, Charles Clements, Vernon
Reichenbecher.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kellie Bean, Nick Freidin, Fred Pauley, Stan Sporny, Matt Carlton,
Rebecca Appleton, Karen Bailey, Donna Donathan, Blake Sypher, Mike Gibbs, Isabel Prino.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Cheryl Brown present.

GUESTS: Shelia Kyle, Lynne Welch, Tony Williams, Corley Dennison, John Allan, Barbara
Winters, Monica Brooks, Marshall Onofrio, Frances Hensley, Harrison O’Dell, Barbara Tarter,
Christina Murphy, Hal Shaver, Len Deutsch, Dave Ridpath, Michael Castellani, Tony Szwilski,
David McGee, Don Van Horn, Sarah Denman and a four signatures I could not read.

Faculty Senate President James Sottile, Jr. called the meeting to order at approximately 4:09 p.m.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

   There was a quorum. Minutes of the February 27, 2003 meeting were approved as read.

2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

   A. Introduced a new Senator for COLA: Jerise Fogel who is completing the term for
   Richard Garnett.
   
   B. Announced the March meeting schedules: ACF – no meeting on calendar; HEPC –
   no meeting on calendar; and the MUBOG – met March 26, 2003 in Charleston, WV.
   
   C. Announced that the next meeting of the Executive Committee will be April 7, 2003,
   in the MSC John Spotts room.
   
   D. Announced that there will be two Faculty Senate meetings in April. The April 10,
   2003 meeting is for the purpose of electing new officers with only newly elected and
   continuing Senators invited. The April 24, 2003 meeting is a regular Senate meeting,
   newly elected Senators are invited to observe.
   
   E. Announced that the spring General Faculty meeting will be held, Tuesday, April 22,
   2003 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse. Retiring and award
   winning faculty will be honored.
F. Announced that the Marshall University Libraries will be participating in LibQUAL+, a national survey of library service quality from March 31-April 20, 2003. A random sample of students and faculty will receive via e-mail an invitation to fill out a web-based survey of approximately 30 questions. The Libraries need your input to help understand user needs and to plan for the future. If you are selected for the survey, please respond and encourage your students to do likewise! Several incentives for completing the survey—including the chance to win a Palm Pilot, gift certificates to the Huntington & Charleston malls, and dinners at local restaurants—will be offered. An email announcement will follow next week and will provide a link to a Web page for additional information.

G. Announced that the University President has approved the following recommendations:

**SR-02-03-(37) 67 BAPC:** Academic Dishonesty Policy
**SR-02-03-(39) 69 IS:** Course changes for CITE, COLA and SOJMC.
**SR-02-03-(40) 70 IS:** Course deletions for COLA.
**SR-02-03-(41) 71 IS:** Course additions for COLA and SOJMC.
**SR-02-03-(42) 72 IS:** Majors, Certificate Programs, Areas of Emphasis for the SOJMC.
**SR-02-03-(43) 73 IS:** Curriculum Action Requests for COLA and LCOB.

H. Announced that the University President has disapproved the following recommendation:

**SR-02-03-(38) 68 EC:** Support of the Classified Staff Council Recommendation requesting suspension of the scheduled parking fee increase.

I. Announced that the Curriculum Committee has provided the following informational item: The COLA Curriculum Committee has unanimously agreed that Criminal Justice courses and the introductory Women’s Studies course (WS101) should be added to the General Education Social Sciences requirements for the College of Liberal Arts.

J. Discussed with the Senate the creation of large classrooms designed to hold 100-150 students. **MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO PREPARE A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FACULTY SENATE, “We are opposed to the creation of classrooms that seat more than 100 students except in special circumstances as needed by any individual department.”**

K. Provided an update on the E-voting software that will be used for Spring elections. **MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO INCLUDE PICTURES OF THE CANDIDATES. MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO CONDUCT ALL FUTURE VOTING BY ELECTRONIC MEANS.**

L. Introduced Barbara Winters, Dean, University Libraries, who spoke about the current plans to manage the anticipated budget reductions. She distributed two handouts (on file in the Senate office).

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

Dr. Angel announced that presently 130 students have requested a military withdrawal. He stated there were a few items related to the budget and its timeline that he would like to discuss: 1) he has been working this spring to further reduce the budget
deficit for the university; 2) the Community & Technical College has been exempted from the 10% budget reduction; and 3) the medical school had the greatest financial challenge – by losing $1 million and having a $1 million increase in BRIM Insurance Premiums. They will also keep a $500,000 EPSCoR (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) grant.

The Board of Governors has approved an increase in tuition of 9.5% for the University and 4.75% for the Community & Technical College. These increases will be reviewed by the Higher Education Policy Commission at its April 24, 2003 meeting. Dr. Angel suggested the Senate contact members of the Policy commission (copying the Board of Governors) giving support to the tuition increases. He explained that approval of tuition increases will be related to whether or not the University has met its compact goals.

The legislative language for determining “peer equity” funding has been changed to that of “internal equity.” There is no money for sustained quality and there is a chance we may get a sizable portion of $1 million dollars that is available. The research challenge monies, which originally funded six projects for seven years has been sharply reduced. Marshall initially received 31% of the allocated funds.

The University’s budget should be finalized by May 14, 2003. At present furloughs are not being considered but he is not sure about other issues for reducing the budget deficit. Presently West Virginia’s financial outlook is not good, with possible midyear reductions in the 2003-04 fiscal year and more reductions anticipated for fiscal year 05.

4. **BOARD OF GOVERNOR’S REPORT:**

Dr. Onofrio reported that the Board had met on March 26, 2003 at MUGC and approved a 9.5% tuition increase and that there be no reduction in activity fee accounts at this time. The Board will continue budget discussions after the April 24, 2003 meeting of the Higher Education Policy Commission. The Board will hold its next meeting on May 14, 2003.

He announced that the Board has revised its committee structure from two to five committees – Academic Affairs, Financial, Athletic, School of Medicine and Community & Technical College. The Board is in the process of reviewing 25 programs with a recommendation due to the Policy Commission by May 31, 2003.

He also stated that there will be an NCA review team site visit to the Community & Technical College for accreditation purposes. It is recommended that they remain administratively linked.

5. **ACF REPORT:**

Dr. Miller was not present.
6. **FACULTY WORKLOAD POLICY [SR-02-03-(49) 79 EC]:**

   WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.

7. **THE PATRIOT ACT RESOLUTION [SR-02-03-(50) 80 EC]:**

   MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO TABLE UNTIL THE RESOLUTION HAS GONE THROUGH PROPER PROCEDURES.

8. **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

   **SR-02-03-(13) 43R SCWC:** Recommends a revision to the Student Handbook and Academic Planner on page 46 under the section **Probation** as an additional item, (4) **Loss of Privilege of Participation in Advanced Registration** stating “The student will relinquish his/her advanced registration privileges for one year and therefore will register at the end of advanced registration for currently enrolled students. Exceptions may be granted by the Office of Judicial Affairs in those instances where the student is in need of a required course in order to progress academically.” This policy does not affect academic standing. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

   **SR-02-03-(44) 74 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed **COURSE ADDITIONS** for the **COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

   **SR-02-03-(45) 75 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed **COURSE DELETION** and **COURSE CHANGES** for the **COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

   **SR-02-03-(46) 76 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed **CURRICULUM ACTION REQUEST** from the **COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH PROFESSIONS. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

   **SR-02-03-(47) 77 EC:** Recommends that the following revisions be made to The Constitution of the Marshall University Faculty in order to align its language with current practices. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

   **SR-02-03-(48) 78 EC:** Recommends a revision of the Course Substitution Policy for Students with Learning Disabilities [SR-02-03-(28) 58 BAPC] to remove representation of the Graduate Council on the Course Substitution Committee. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.**

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

SR-02-03-(51) 81 UF: CONFIDENTIAL Recommends, that in addition to names previously submitted [SR-02-03-(23) 53 UF and SR-01-02-4 UF], that the following individuals be considered for an honorary degree or as commencement speaker at the May 2003 Commencement. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED AS AMENDED.

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA

SR-02-03-(52) 82 LA: Recommends that the Faculty Senate encourage the Marshall University Board of Governors to continue the current salary policy that a 10 percent salary increase be awarded upon the faculty promotion. It is further recommended that such a policy be included in the Greenbook. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.

SR-02-03-(53) 83 LA: Recommends that the Faculty Senate work with the Marshall University Board of Governors to establish a policy that continues to encourage the use of, and a primary reliance on, full-time faculty. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED.

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO ADJOURN AT 5:54 P.M.