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THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD
ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2003, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE ALUMNI LOUNGE OF
THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER


MEMBERS ABSENT: Glenda Lowry, Pam Mulder, Jeff May, Ashok Vaseashta, Scott Simonton, and David Chaffin.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Dallas Brozik present.

GUESTS: John Allan, Corley Dennison, Tony Williams, Carl Johnson, Ed Taft, Rainey Duke, Allan Stern, Bethany Eller, Lynne Welch, Janet Badia, David Hatfield, Ben Miller, Hal Shaver, Steve Hensley, Don Van Horn, Marshall Onofrio, Christina Murphy, Tony Szwilski, Sandra Clements, Michael McGuffey, Barbara Tarter, Stephanie Bailey, Dr. Herman’s class, Martha Woodward, Frances Hensley, Sarah Denman, and several signatures I could not decipher.

Faculty Senate President James Sottile called the meeting to order at approximately 4:10 p.m.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

There was a quorum. Minutes of the December 12, 2002 meeting were approved as read.

2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

   A. Announced that Senators should sit at the front tables and visitors should sit at the chairs provided.
   B. Introduced John Allan, Parthenon reporter for the Spring 2003 semester.
   C. Introduced Connie Moore, Chair of ACF (Advisory Council of Faculty).
   D. Announced there will be a bus trip to the Capitol in Charleston on Wednesday, January 29th. The bus will load at 11:15 a.m. (depart at 11:30 a.m.) at the MSC pull-in on 5th Avenue and return to campus by 4:00 p.m. Those interested in riding on the bus are to RSVP to Joe Wyatt, x2788.
   E. Announced that the University President has approved the following recommendations: SR-02-03-(15) 45 BAPC; SR-02-03-(16) 46 LA; SR-02-03-(18) 48 LA; SR-02-03-(19) 49 LA; SR-02-03-(20) 50 LA; SR-02-03-(21) 51 LA; SR-02-
He stated that during the December 2002 Faculty Senate meeting it was implied that the administration does not choose commencement speakers and/or honorary degree recipients from the lists recommended by the Faculty Senate. At that time, he stated that this assumption was incorrect. He stated, that in fact, the past University Presidents have chosen the commencement speakers and/or honorary degree recipients from the Faculty Senate recommendation lists. The past commencement speakers and/or honorary degree recipients recommended by the Faculty Senate were: (2002) John Rockefeller IV, Verna Gibson, Gale Given, Edward Howard, and Edward Maier; (2001) Bob Wise; (2000) Harvey White; (1999) A. Michael Perry; (1998) Jean Edward Smith and Ellen Galinsky; and (1997) Mildred Mitchell Bateman, Franklin D. Cleckley, Cecil Underwood, and William Willis. Please note the gender ratio and you are free to stop by the Faculty Senate office to research the topic past 1997. If senators have any questions, please give him a call.

G. Discussed the handout for the 2003-04 budget (on file in the Senate office).

MOTION WAS SECONDED AND PASSED TO TAKE AGENDA ITEMS OUT OF ORDER

7. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

SR-02-03-(27) 57 BAPC: Recommends that the language on pages 94 – 95, Section V. Academic Appeals, of the 2001-2003 Undergraduate Catalog, its online version, or any other reference to Academic Appeals be revised. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED

SR-02-03-(28) 58 BAPC: Recommends that the University adopt the attached “Course Substitution Policy for Students with Learning Disabilities.” WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED

3. GUEST SPEAKER:

Chancellor J. Michael Mullen gave a presentation (handout on file in Senate office) entitled “Budget Request and Analysis, Fiscal Year 2003-2004” which discusses the proposed budget reduction and how it could affect higher education. His presentation discussed: how the economic shortfall was predicted; how SB653 affected higher education; his opinion that decisions affecting the budget should be made at the local level; the Educational Report Card; current legislation and how it could affect the university and state; and other sources of revenue for higher education. He then responded to questions.

4. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

Dr. Angel stated that it was remarkable that Chancellor Mullen’s visited at this time as he is extremely busy but that it was good to hear his views on what we need to do, hear him
explain what has happened, and speculate on what now must be done. Dr. Angel feels it is important to inform the public of what benefits of higher education they will lose as a result of these permanent budget reductions. He stated that there are other means where revenue for higher education could be appropriated, such as legislative changes in the soft drink tax, cigarette tax, and the introduction of an on-line sales tax.

5. **ACF REPORT:**

Dr. Ben Miller distributed a handout (on file in the Senate office) which detailed a letter and survey sent to state senators and the senator’s responses to the survey. He stated that the ACF is scheduled to meet with some legislators to discuss the ACF’s legislative initiatives.

6. **BOARD OF GOVERNOR’S REPORT:**

Dr. Onofrio reported that they had meet January 22, 2003 in Charleston, WV. At that meeting there was a presentation from the Alumni Association (they have raised $1 million for the construction of their new facility) and the Board discussed duties that have been transferred to them from the Board of Trustees. He urged all departments to complete and to submit as soon as possible their faculty worksheets to the Faculty Senate office.

**MOTION WAS SECONDED AND PASSED TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS**

**SR-02-03-(29) 59 CC THROUGH SR-02-03-(36) 66 CC AS A GROUP**

7. **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**SR-02-03-(29) 59 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed COURSE ADDITIONS in the COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED**

**SR-02-03-(30) 60 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed COURSE ADDITIONS in the COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED**

**SR-02-03-(31) 61 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed COURSE ADDITIONS in the COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH PROFESSIONS. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED**

**SR-02-03-(32) 62 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed COURSE CHANGES for the COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED**

**SR-02-03-(33) 63 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed COURSE CHANGES in the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH PROFESSIONS, and the ELIZABETH McDOWELL LEWIS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED**
SR-02-03-(34) 64 CC: Recommends approval of the listed COURSE DELETIONS for the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, and the COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH PROFESSIONS. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED

SR-02-03-(35) 65 CC: Recommends approval of the listed CURRICULUM ACTION REQUESTS from the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING, COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS, and the COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED

SR-02-03-(36) 66 CC: Recommends approval of the listed MAJORS, CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS, AREAS OF EMPHASIS—ADDITIONS/CHANGES from the following colleges and/or schools: COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS and the COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED

8. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO THE SENATE:

A. Dr. Jerise Fogel discussed a handout (on file in the Senate office) that gives a description and the ramifications of The Patriot Act. The handout includes website links that she encourages all to investigate. She feels the Act has restricted scientific research, hindered college international exchange programs, increased government surveillance, and inhibits international hiring. She stated that the Act is currently being challenged by cities, states, and colleges. She urged the Faculty Senate to develop a recommendation about the Act. Dr. Sottile suggested that Dr. Fogel create the recommendation and report back to the Senate.

9. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

There were none.