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THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING HELD

ON THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2010, AT 4:00 P.M. IN

ROOM BE5 OF THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rex McClure, Joe Stone, Deepak Subedi, Maurice Lockridge (Assistant Chair), Linda Dobbs, Jonathan Cox, Joan St. Germain, Mark Zanter, Brian Morgan, Ralph Oberste-Vorth, Bonita Lawrence, Karen Mitchell, Liz Murray, Basant Karna, Scott Sarra, Tom Jones, Burnis Morris, Jennifer Perry, Karen McNealy, Kelly Harlow, Sandra Prunty, Pat Conlon, Wael Zatar, Chuck Bailey, Eldon Larsen, Janet Dozier, Jennifer Mak, Mary Jo Graham, Gregg Twietmeyer, Keith Beard, Camilla Brammer (Chair), Marty Laubach, Donna Sullivan, Barbara Tarter, Christina Burgueno, Christine Huhn, Chris White, Jennifer Sias (Recording Secretary), Nancy Norton, Rudy Wang, Elaine Hardman, Charles Clements, Pier Paolo Claudio, Sandra Stroebel, and Tracy Christofero.


PARLIAMENTSARIAN: Cheryl Brown present.


Declaring that there was a quorum, Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Camilla Brammer called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.
1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the March 18, 2010 meeting were approved as written.

2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Dr. Camilla Brammer

   A. Reminded everyone that they are to sign-in and that Senators should sit around the table, others should sit at the chairs provided and cell phones should be set to “silent” mode. To ensure an accurate recording of the meeting, Senators should use the microphones when speaking and are to state their name and department.

   B. Announced that the next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Monday, April 26, 2010 beginning at 12:00 p.m. in room BE5 of the Memorial Student Center.

   C. Announced the April meeting schedules: ACF – met April 15, 2010 in Charleston, WV; HEPC scheduled to meet April 23, 2010 at WVU Institute of Technology in Montgomery, WV; and the MUBOG – met April 22, 2010.

   D. Announced that the spring general faculty meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, 2010 to begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Playhouse of the Fine Arts Performing Center. All faculty are urged to attend. Retiring faculty and award winning faculty will be honored.

   E. Initiated a discussion to ascertain the Faculty Senate’s stance on the proposed 1% municipal occupational (payroll) tax being discussed by the City of Huntington. **By a show of hands it was approved that Maurice Lockridge would speak that the Faculty Senate is not in favor.**

3. **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

   **SR-09-10-(34) 80 APC:** Recommends that the College of Health Profession’s Intent to Plan for a Bachelor of Science in Public Health be approved. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.**
SR-09-10-(35) 81 CC: Recommends approval of the listed COURSE ADDITIONS in the following colleges and/or school: COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES, COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, and the UNIVERSITY COLLEGE. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED AS AMENDED.

SR-09-10-(36) 82 CC: Recommends approval of the listed COURSE CHANGES in the following colleges and/or school: COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES and the COLLEGE OF SCIENCE. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.

SR-09-10-(37) 83 CC: Recommends approval of the listed REQUEST FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE OF A MAJOR OR PROGRAM in the following colleges and/or school: COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES and REQUEST FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE OF AN AREA OF EMPHASIS in the following college and/or school: COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS. WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.

4. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Each liaison reported to-date on their respective committee.

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

- He and other administrators from institutions of higher education met with Governor Manchin on Monday to discuss two issues: (1) to obtain clarification of the governor’s proposal, as stated in his state-of-the-state address, to not increase tuition. They met to persuade the governor to change his mind about out-of-state students because if tuition was not raised then services would have to be cut and that the institutions need to maintain market value to maintain the image of being cost efficient. It was agreed that tuition for out-of-state students could be increased; and (2) the turn-around of enrollment relates to increases in compensation for faculty and staff. Dr. Kopp wants to honor the promise he made and is seeking approval to give employee salary increases.

- At its meeting today, the Board of Governors agreed to increase the tuition for out-of-state students and to fund a portion of the classified staff salary schedule with $450 thousand dollars, to provide salary enhancements (enrollment increments) of $700
thousand dollars to faculty, and $372 thousand dollars to non-classified staff. The monies for classified staff will become a part of their base pay but those for faculty and non-classified will not.

- The process to be used to dispense the salary enhancement to faculty has not been determined and he requested that the senators confer with their constituents and make a recommendation on how to implement at the May Faculty Senate meeting.

- The university has not included into its budget any backfill monies, mainly due to the one-time $2.5 million which was added to the base because of the CTC separation in 2010 and again in 2011. The budget reduction from the state was the same amount and it is not assured that MU will receive any backfill funds from the state.

- In future budgets of the university there will be a new line, funded depreciation and operational reserves. This is money that will be set aside each year for the life of a building or for capital equipment to use at the end of that life for replacement or renovation. In the budget it may appear that the university has a lot of money but these funds may not be utilized for other purposes.

- There are no new bond issues from the state for capital improvements; the state wants institutions to use additional tuition increase monies to attend to deferred maintenance, facilities improvements, and capital projects.

- The outlook for the fall freshman enrollment is that there will be a significant increase and he hopes to see increases in future years as well and all as a result of the hard work being done by many.

6. **REPORT OF THE PROVOST: Dr. Gayle Ormiston**

- He reminded everyone of the academic festival scheduled for this weekend. The Minds of Marshall is an event where students can showcase their achievements.

- There have been seven Campus Conversations with the presentations made at the meetings available for review from the Academic Affairs website.

7. **BOARD OF GOVERNOR’S REPORT: Dr. Larry Stickler**
• The Board met earlier today and Drs. Kopp and Ormiston have reported on most of what occurred; the program reviews were also approved.

• The next meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2010.

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

A. Mr. Mike Campbell & Mr. John Rehult, Follett Bookstore Textbook Rental Program

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO PROVIDE THEM WITH FIVE ADDITIONAL MINUTES

B. Rudy Wang, SOM

MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION

The Marshall University Faculty Senate and the University President, Dr. Stephen Kopp, jointly express our condolence to the families and the communities of the 29 underground heroes of West Virginia who recently lost their lives in a coal mine explosion. Their brave contribution to the prosperity of this State and this Nation will long be remembered.

The entire Marshall University community pledges our support to the survivors, the active and retired coal miners, and the coal mine industries for their educational needs, their health care needs, and to the improvement in the technology for a safe coal mining. Furthermore, we urge the governmental agencies at the State and Federal levels to closely monitor the operational safety and prevent any further happenings of such a tragic event.

9. AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

There were none.
THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:33 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ms. Jennifer Sias, Recording Secretary

Faculty Senate