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THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2011, AT 4:00 P.M. IN

ROOM BE5 OF THE MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rex McClure, Jackie Agesa, Nancy Lankton, Shane Tomblin, Jonathan Cox, Larry Stickler (Assistant Chair), Brian Morgan, Karen Mitchell, Carl Mummert, Aley El-Shazly, Derrick Kolling, Wendy Trzyna, Burnis Morris, Sandra Prunty (Recording Secretary), Susan Frank, Gary McIlvain, Pat Conlon, Allan Stern, John Biros, Karen McNealy, Tracy Christofero, Janet Dozier, Mindy Backus, James Sottile, Andrea Farenga, Keith Beard, Camilla Brammer (Chair), Marty Laubach, Donna Sullivan, Barbara Tarter, Susan Gilpin, Marybeth Beller, Daniel Holbrook, Jose Morillo, Paige Muellerleile, Kathleen Bledsoe, Kelli Johnson, Charles Clements, Nalini Santanam, Piyali Dasgupta, John Wilkinson, Zach Tankersley, Maria Serrat, Vincent Sollars, Jung Han Kim, Sandra Ströbel, Bizunesh Wubie, and Lori Ellison.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Deepak Subedi, Mark Zanter, Susan Jackson, David Mallory, Robin O’Keefe, Muhammad Amjad, Tricia Leonard, Terence Patterson, Raj Khanna, Eldon Larsen, and Andrew Burck.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Cheryl Brown present.


Declaring that there was a quorum, Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Camilla Brammer called the meeting to order at approximately 4:03 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Minutes of the September 22, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

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

A. Requested a moment of silence in remembrance of James “Brummy” Brumfield, a professor in the Biological Sciences department within the College of Science. He was the longest tenured faculty member at the university as he was in his 48th year of service.

B. 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. To ensure an accurate recording of the meeting, senators should use the microphones when speaking and are to state their name and department. All should remember to sign in.

C. Announced the October meeting schedules: ACF – met October 20, 2011 in Martinsburg, WV; HEPC – next meeting scheduled for December 9, 2011 in Charleston, WV; and the MUBOG – met October 18, 2011.

D. Announced that the next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Monday, November 7, 2011 to begin at 12:00 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center’s John Spotts Room.

E. Announced that the next meeting of the Faculty Senate is scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2011 to begin at 4:00 p.m. in room BE5 of the Memorial Student Center.

F. Solicited Liaisons for the following standing committees: Faculty Personnel and Budget & Academic Policy. **THERE WERE NO VOLUNTEERS.**

G. Announced that a memorial for Dr. Katharine M. Rodier, of the English Department within the College of Liberal Arts, will be held Sunday, October 30, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. in the Shawkey Room of the Memorial Student Center. Members of the Marshall and Huntington communities are welcome.

H. The 2011-2012 Faculty Senate Reference Binder was distributed to senators.

I. Announced that Melanie Gallaher, who is scheduled to speak about university travel regulations, will not be in attendance as the accounting office has received a mandate from the legislative auditor’s office that must be met by close of business today. Ms. Gallaher encourages faculty to contact her to set up training sessions for their department or college, or to register online for the group sessions.
J. Announced that although he was not currently present, Bert Gross, former Faculty Senate chair, would serve as parliamentarian during the discussion of the Old Business recommendation as Cheryl Brown is the chair of the Promotion & Tenure Review Ad Hoc Committee. It was anticipated that he would arrive soon.

3. **OLD BUSINESS:**

**SR-11-12-(02) 40 PTRAHC:** Recommends approval of the Marshall University Board of Governors Policy No. AA-22, Annual Evaluation of Faculty. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED TO TABLE.**

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**SR-11-12-(03) 41 CC:** Recommends approval of the listed COURSE ADDITIONS, COURSE CHANGES, and AREA OF EMPHASIS in the following colleges and/or school: COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, and the SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATIONS. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.**

**SR-11-12-(04) 42 LAC:** Resolves that the Faculty Senate endorse the attached, West Virginia Advisory Council of Faculty 2011-2012 Issues, “Moving West Virginia Forward”. **WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED.**
5. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Each liaison reported to-date on their respective committee.

6. **REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT: Dr. Stephen Kopp**

He reported on the October 18, 2011 meeting of the Board of Governors and other issues – that the university received a clean positive annual audit; the bond issue has received approval by the governor and the HEPC and should soon be going to market; a search committee has been formed to obtain a new dean for the school of medicine; the task of raising $41 million of private funds has reached 22% of goal; the school of pharmacy is progressing on schedule and recently held a celebration event at the VA Hospital; the physical therapy program is on track to begin in May 2012; the university is negotiating terms for international student recruitment; the university is in the process of obtaining the Fieldhouse property; the art warehouse property has been donated to the MU Foundation; general enrollment has increased while retention between first and second year students has slipped and there has been a decrease in the graduate enrollment due to the loss of the program in India.

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

He reported that as requested by the HEPC, he is preparing a report about textbook affordability and that as of the October 15, 2011 deadline only 7% of the university’s faculty had supplied to the bookstore their book selection information for next semester; to date 41% have supplied this information. He requested ideas for increasing faculty’s participation in submitting their textbook information by the established deadline, which happens to be mandated by state and federal regulations. Work on the Lumina project is continuing and a group from the university will make a report in Illinois and to the HEPC. He will make the report available to faculty. A follow-up on the advising retreat was held with multiple taskforces being formed to look at different issues. The search is continuing for a CITE dean.
8. **BOARD OF GOVERNOR’S REPORT:** Dr. Marty Amerikaner

Distributed earlier by email; hardcopy on file in the Faculty Senate office.

9. **ACF REPORT:** Dr. Karen McNealy

A hardcopy of her report is on file in the Faculty Senate office.

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

    A. Ms. Melanie Gallaher – University Travel Regulations – see 2I above.

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

    There were none.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Sandra Prunty, Recording Secretary

Faculty Senate