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**THE MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015 AT 4:00 P.M. IN
THE DON MORRIS ROOM of the MEMORIAL STUDENT CENTER**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Stickler (Chair), Philippe Georgel (Assistant Chair), Lori Ellison (Recording Secretary), Nancy Lankton, Rex McClure, Marc Sollosy, Shane Tomblin, Uday Tate, Burnis Morris, Rob Rabe, Susan Booton, Monika Sawney, Susan Welch, Hillary Brewster, Robin Conley, Paige Muellerleile, Amine Oudghiri-Otmani, Barbara Tarter, Stephen Underhill, Anthony Viola, Mindy Armstead, David Cartwright, Derrick Kolling, Liz Murray, Jamil Chaudri, Andrew Nichols, Scott Simonton, Harold Blanco, Tom Klein, Tom Hisiro, Isaac Larison, Edna Meisel, David Chaffin, Charles Clements, Jim Denvir, Jung Han Kim, Bobby Miller, Travis Salisbury, Megan Shepherd, Lauren Waugh, Leonard White, Kara Willenburg, Stephanie Anderson, Eric Blough, John, Biros, Kelli Johnson, Thom Walker.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Fredrick Bartolovic, Mike Murphy, Carrie Childers, Gregg Twietmeyer, Eric Migernier, Pamela Mulder, Shawn Schulenberg, Karen Mitchell, Carl Mummert, Wendy Trzyna, Feon Smith, Fadi Alkhankan, Tom Dougherty, Raj Khanna, Emine Koc, Adrienne Mays, Jan Paul Muizelaar, Julie Robinson, Zach Tankersley, John Wilkinson,.

EX-OFFICIO, VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Tracy Christofero (Graduate Council), Beth Campbell (ACF)

EX-OFFICIO, VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Cheryl Brown

GUESTS: Teresa Eagle, Michael Prewitt, Wael Zatar, Tyler Ferris, Asad Salem, Mary Beth Reynolds, Tim Melvin, Jan Fox, Sherri Smith, RB Bookwalter, Gayle Ormiston, Gary White, and Mary Ellen Heuton.

Declaring that there was a quorum, Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Larry Stickler called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

• **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the March 26, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

• **ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dr. Larry Stickler**

- Senators should sit around the table, others should sit at the chairs provided, and cell phones should be set to silent mode. All should remember to sign in legibly.
- Recap of recommendations that have been approved.
- Recommendation not approved, SR 14-15-30.
- Two resolutions not yet signed (Adding faculty to the search committee and Athletic stipend)
- Will add column to the Faculty Senate website to track resolutions similarly to how we track recommendations.
- The Executive Committee will convene again on Monday, April 27, 2015 at noon in the John Spotts Room.
- The Faculty Senate will convene again on Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 4:00 PM in BE5 of the Memorial Student Center.

- Both ACF Representative and BOG representative are up for nomination at the General Faculty meeting.
- The BOG has a meeting April 29, 2015.

- **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- SR-14-15-38 APC recommends that the Intent to Plan for the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering be approved
- SR-14-15-39 CC recommendations for minor additions in the following colleges: Liberal Arts
- SR-14-15-40 CC recommendation for course additions in the following colleges: Information Technology & Engineering, Liberal Arts, and Science
- SR-14-15-41 CC recommendations for course changes in the following colleges: Information Technology & Engineering, Liberal Arts, and Science

- **REPORT OF THE INTERIM UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT: Gary White**

- The presidential search is in process
 1. As of last Monday, there were 57 applicants.
 2. Search committee narrowed those down to 8 for off campus interviews the weekend of May 1st.
 3. Will narrow those to three or four candidates to bring to campus in mid-May.
 4. The Board will meet to make a selection and make an offer the week of Memorial Day.
 5. Should be able to have a candidate in place perhaps July 1, but more likely Aug. 1 if all goes well.
 6. President White is very pleased with the number and quality of applicants.
 7. The Faculty representatives on the search committee have done an excellent job of preparation and participation in the process.
 8. Dates for on-campus interviews have not been finalized at this point.

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

- Academic portfolio work is continuing.
- Service portfolio is working on the implementation plan.
- Higher Learning Commission will be onsite for a site visit in October of 2015.
- The Assurance Argument will be submitted in September of 2015.
- He is looking for volunteers who will read drafts of the Assurance Argument document over the next several weeks (summer term). Training for these readers will be provided.
- Attended a meeting in Chicago to help prepare for the site visit and review which were very helpful.

- **BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S REPORT: No report**

- **ACF REPORT: Dr. Beth Campbell –**

- A written report was sent to the senate.
- HEPC notes were in her report.
- ACF met today via phone conference.
- Senate Bill 439 passed which will replace SB 330. In essence, this removes faculty from the market research study.

- There are some policy changes coming regarding TIAA-CREF loans. There will be limits imposed as to how many loans one can have and will pay for the expenses incurred from having them. There is a 20% default rate on these loans.
- The consensus is that Higher education dodged a bullet this session. There are many pieces of legislation that did not get passed but we should be prepared for next session.

• **REPORTS FROM 20/20 COMMITTEES:**

- Budget Working Group: Met twice since last report.
 - 4/10- Discussed the tuition fee structure including online education.
 - Looking at delivery fee for 100% online students.
 - Lab fees will be eliminated
 - College program fees will take the place of lab fees.
 - FY'16 budget deficit has been reduced by 6.2 million.
 - Working toward salary increases in the discussion.
 - Ecourse monies will now go to a central account rather than the departments who teach the courses.
 - Mary Ellen reported the the delivery fee will be assessed for students taking both Face-to-face and online courses as well.
 - Some totally online programs will be charged an e-campus tuition rate.
- 10. We will not know about salary increase until June 24th. Earliest that could be implemented is Oct. 1.
- 11. Last meeting revealed budget wasn't cut as much as once thought. The revised budget reduced programs by 40% rather than the 80% first reported.
- 12. There is still no decision on the 2 wk pay issue.

- Vision/Mission: No report
- Communications Plan: There are 2 arms of 20/20 plan to show what this will look like. They are looking at new services and early "wins." It is a common theme for many colleges that people's accomplishments are not being publicized. They are working on that. www.marshall.edu/ucomm
- Roles & Responsibilities: No report
- Academic Portfolio: No report
- Service Portfolio: No report
- Pro-Forma Model: No report
- Key performance indicators: No report

• **REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:**

- Athletics- Met on Monday. Recommended that Faculty/Staff be allowed 2 additional tickets at a reduced rate. Likely too late to implement for 2015 seasons but will do so in the following year. Will create a resolution to that effect.
It will read:
Faculty senate of Marshall University is supportive of the policy to be amended to raise the number of tickets available to faculty/staff to be raised from two to four effective this year, if possible, and if not, in academic year 2016-17.
There was discussion of the cost of attendance stipend for athletes. All Div 1 conferences have voted to support this stipend. The money is coming out of private fundraising efforts, not the university or athletic budgets.
- BAPC – No report
- Curriculum- No report
- Faculty Development- Working on current applications for summer.
- Faculty personnel- They are considering the Quinlan and research scholar applications and ask that representatives from their departments come to the meeting.
 - 17 of 22 grants were approved.
 - 6 of 9 research scholars were funded.
- There was some discussion regarding automating the application process to help streamline a bit.
- They will be sending out a survey regarding offering funding to term faculty.

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

One senator requested that there be a request for a BOG member to attend the Faculty Senate meeting.

- **AGENDA REQUESTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:**

- Dr. Chaudri requested time to speak to the senate at the next meeting.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:57 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Ellison

Lori Ellison, Recording Secretary
Faculty Senate

MINUTES READ:

Dr. Larry Stickler, Chair
Faculty Senate

Mr. Gary White, Interim President
Marshall University