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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
February 19, 2009

I. Call to Order, Roll, and Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 13:30 by President Doug Carroll and roll was taken. The following absentees were noted:

Gretchen A Brockfeld, Mark Mullin , Yue-wen Huang , Louis Ge , Thomas Weigert , Ralph Wilkerson , Don Wunsch , Mike Meagher, Bill Fahrenholtz, David Drain , S.N. Balakrishnan, Bill DeMalade , and Gary Mueller

The January 22, 2009 meeting minutes were **approved** as submitted.

II. Campus Reports and Responses

a. President Report – Doug Carroll

Doug Carroll reported on Tenure and Promotion Policy, Global Studies Minor, Budget, Furloughs and Layoffs and Employee Contributions to the Retirement Fund.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/PresidentReport.02.19.09.pdf>

b. Administrative Report – Chancellor John F. Carney III

Chancellor Carney was in Jefferson City on February 18th and spoke with Governor Nixon. The chancellor felt the governor understands the importance of public higher education. President Forsee will be on campus Friday, March 6th. Chancellor Carney encourages everyone to attend the special FS meeting on February 24th with Betsy Rodriguez. The Career Fair was Tuesday, February 17th. There were 149 companies on campus and 400 recruiters from 25 states. The HLC Accreditation Team will be on campus February 22nd, 23rd and 24th. Our Mission Statement is: *Missouri University of Science and Technology integrates education and research to create and convey knowledge to solve problems for our State and the technological world.* The Board of Curators and Missouri S&T Trustees will be on campus April 2nd and 3rd. The energy summit will be held on April 22nd and 23rd, 2009 in Columbia, MO. There will be 24 papers presented and of the 24 papers, 17 will be from Missouri S&T. The site is:

<http://www.umssystem.edu/summits/>

c. Administrative Report – Provost Wray

Provost Wray gave reports on the offices of Enrollment Management, Global Learning, Office of Sponsored Programs and Office of Undergraduate Studies.

Interdisciplinary Engineering will be dissolved effectively on May 31st, 2009. Students who have fully completed the second year of the degree program will be allowed to

complete the degree. Faculty have been transferred to either Civil or Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering Departments. Dr. Bill Schonberg will be the interim chair of the Interdisciplinary Engineering Department until its dissolution.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/DrWray.FS.Report.02.19.09.ppt>

d. Staff Council Report – Cecilia Elmore

Cecilia Elmore gave a report on HR open forums, HLC Accreditation team, meeting with Betsy Rodriguez and Staff Recognition Day.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/Staff.Council.02.19.09.pdf>

e. Student Council – Dianna Meyers for A. Ronchetto

Dianna Meyers gave reports on the Student Body President elections, Student Representative to the Board of Curators and CDC Student Leaders' Awards.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/Student.Council.FS.Report.02.19.09.pdf>

f. Council of Grad. Students (CGS) –

A report was given on the Graduate Student Survey Satisfaction, Guest Lectures, Opportunities for Practical Training (OPT) Rule, Graduate Student Enrollment and Student Health Facilities.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/CGS.02.19.09.pdf>

III. Reports of Standing and Special Committees

a. Curricula Committee – K. Nisbett

There were 1 DC, 140 CC and 2 EC forms. **A motion to approve only the Course Change (CC) forms in the report posted on the web was passed unanimously.**

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/Curricula.02.03.09.pdf>

b. Personnel – Neil Book

Neil Book gave a report on the Revised Pilot Grievance Procedure.

The following motion was made: **The Faculty Senate requests that the Board of Curators include Missouri S&T as a participating campus in the Revised Pilot Grievance Procedure.** The motion passed unanimously.

Details can be found at the following link:
<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/Personnel.html>

c. Public Occasions – D. Westenberg

David Westenberg gave a report on adding Homecoming to the calendar.

A motion to accept the updated Public Occasions calendar passed unanimously.

Details can be found at the following link:
<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/POCommittee.02.19.09.pdf>

d. RP&A – Frank Blum

Frank Blum gave reports on Proxy Voting, Board of Curators Meeting and FS Annual Calendar.

RP&A made the following motion: A substitute for a Faculty Senate Member be allowed at a Faculty Senate Meeting if (1) the substitute is from the same department as the Member and (2) the substitute presents themselves to the Secretary as a substitute. Proxy voting by any other means is not allowed at Faculty Senate meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

Michael Schulz gave a report on the Missouri Association of Faculty Senates.

Details can be found at the following link:
<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/RPA.FS.Report.02.19.09.ppt>

e. Bylaws Committee Update – Kurt Kosbar

Kurt Kosbar gave a report on the Proposed Bylaws and Bylaws Summary.

Details can be found at the following links:
<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/AdHoc.Bylaws.02.19.09.pdf>
<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/AdHoc.Bylaws.Summary.02.19.09.pdf>

IV. Old Business

a. Referrals Ongoing

- FS0708ref-5 Graduate Student, Stipend/Fees (Grad. Council)
- FS0708ref-8 Spousal Actions (Personnel)
- Grievance Procedures (Personnel)

b. Ongoing Monitoring

- Emergency Preparedness (Facilities)
- VPAA SB 389 Committee (Ad-Hoc SB389)
- Supplementary/Soft Money Raises (Budgetary Affairs)

c. Other Committee Items

- Budgetary Planning, Start-up Packages (Budgetary Affairs)
- Best Practices for forming dept. tenure committees (Tenure)
- Monitoring progress of new P&T procedures (Tenure)
- Academic Dishonesty (Academic Freedom & Standards)

The meeting was adjourned at 15:55.

Respectfully submitted,
K.M. Isaac, Secretary