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Missouri University of Science and Technology Faculty Senate

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I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 13:30 by Past President K.M. Isaac and roll was taken.

Those whose names are grayed out below were absent.


The August 11, 2011 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

II. Campus Reports and Responses

a. New President

K.M. Isaac introduced newly-elected President Michael Davis and presented him a gavel.

b. President Report – Michael Davis

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

FS1112res-02:

Whereas Professor K. M. Isaac has served the Missouri University of Science & Technology Faculty Senate since 2008 as Secretary, President-Elect, and President;

Whereas, as an Officer of the Faculty Senate, Professor Isaac has demonstrated hard work, good judgment, and thoughtfulness in these positions;

Whereas, Professor Isaac's leadership skills have helped the campus navigate through the difficult discussions on changing the retirement plan;

Whereas, Professor Isaac has maintained a positive attitude and been a calming influence during these challenging times;
Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate of the Missouri University of Science & Technology does hereby sincerely thank Professor Isaac for many jobs well done and wish him continued success in his future endeavors.

Adopted this 15th day of September, 2011, at the meeting of the Missouri University of Science & Technology Faculty Senate.

A plaque was presented to K.M. Isaac in appreciation for his service to Faculty Senate.

President Davis gave reports on the Chancellor and Dean of Enrollment Management searches, IFC, and other issues.

Details can be found at the following links:
http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/presidentreports/2011/MDavis.FS.09.15.11.pptx

c. Administrative Report – Interim Provost Schwartz for Interim Chancellor Wray

Nucor had 40 representatives on campus last week. S&T has a strong partnership with Nucor and we are proposing new things to expand the partnership.

The fall career fair is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27th at the Gale-Bullman with 187 employers expected in attendance.

The Board of Trustees will be meeting tonight, September 15-16, 2011.

d. Administrative Report – Interim Provost Schwartz

Provost Schwartz gave reports on Enrollment Management, International Affairs, Undergraduate Studies, Graduate Studies, Global Learning, Sponsored Programs, and Technology Transfer & Economic Development.

Details can be found at the following link:

e. Staff Council Report – Stacy Jones

Stacy Jones is the new President for Staff Council.

Staff Council members and officers from a variety of offices were elected for the next year.

The council is reviewing staff and community service activities for next year.
f. Student Council Report – Selin Acar

Selin Acar is the new President for Student Council.

Student Council is working on the remodeling project for the new Student Involvement and Leadership Center located in the Havener Center.

Student Council wants to partner with IT to place computers in the Havener Center.

The council is working to receive more student input and involvement in the various activities on campus such as the chancellor’s search committee, the campus climate assessment, and the recognized student organization (RSO) survey.

The council would like to co-sponsor RSO applications. This would include funding, volunteers and publicity.

Ms. Acar reported on other various student council activities such as Honor Code, Officers’ Summit, Blood Drive, 9/11 event, and publicizing.

Details can be found at the following link:
http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/studentcouncil/2011/Student_Council_Slides_FS.09.15.11.pptx

g. Council of Graduate Students (CGS) – Muhammad Raza

Muhammad Raza is the new President for the Council of Graduate Students.

CGS held elections for new executives, departmental representatives, and faculty senate committee representatives.

CGS participated in the International Student’s orientation program.

CGS will hold its first general meeting for the semester on September 22, 2011.

Details can be found at the following link:

III. Reports of Standing and Special Committees

a. RP&A – KM Isaac

KM Isaac reported the need to replace open representative slots on the Conflict of Interest and Parking committees.

RP&A nominated Dr. Joseph Smith for the vacant position on the Conflict of Interest Committee. KM Isaac asked for other nominations but none was given.
The motion to approve Dr. Joseph Smith as a representative on the Conflict of Interest Committee was passed unanimously.

RP&A nominated Drs. Dan Oerther and Louis Ge for the two vacant positions on the Parking Committee. KM Isaac asked for other nominations from the floor.

A nomination from the floor to add Dr. Ashok Mida to the slate was seconded.

A vote was taken and Dan Oerther and Ashok Mida were elected as the new representatives on the Parking Committee.

b. Curricula – Keith Nisbett for Daniel Tauritz

The Missouri S&T Campus Curricula Committee recommended that the curriculum changes and degree proposals be approved. There were 2 Degree Changes (DC), 15 Course Changes (CC) and 8 Experimental Course (EC) forms.

A motion to approve the submitted forms as posted on the web was passed unanimously.

Details can be found at the following links:
http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/curricula/2011/Curricula.Slides.FS.09.15.11.pptx

c. ITCC – No report

IV. Old Business - None

V. New Business – None

The meeting was adjourned at 14:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Keith Nisbett, Secretary