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

The meeting was called to order at 13:30 by President Frank Blum and roll was taken. The following absentees were noted: Mark Mullin, Morris Kalliny, Thomas Weigert, Ralph Wilkerson, Mohamed Abdelsalam, Mike Meagher, Scott Miller, S.N. Balakrishnan, Bill DeMalade, Gary Mueller, Don Wunsch, and Barbara Hale.

The meeting minutes of June 19, 2008 were approved as submitted.

II. Election of 2008 – 09 Faculty Senate Officers

Frank Blum, President of Faculty Senate, proposed a slate of officer candidates for the 2008-09 Faculty Senate Officers. The following slate was accepted unanimously:

- President – Doug Carroll
- President Elect – Michael Schulz
- Secretary – K.M. Isaac
- Parliamentarian – Neil Book

III. Presentation of plaque to Past President of Academic Council/Faculty Senate

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

FS0809res-1:

Whereas Professor Frank D. Blum has served the Faculty of the University since 2004 as Parliamentarian, Secretary, President-Elect, and President;

Whereas Professor Blum reintroduced the gavel to the Academic Council and Faculty Senate meetings;

Whereas, Professor Blum’s leadership skills have helped the campus navigate through a name change from the University of Missouri-Rolla to the Missouri University of Science and Technology;

Whereas, Professor Blum led the Academic Council in its transition to becoming the Faculty Senate;

Whereas, as an Officer of the Academic Council and Faculty Senate, Professor Blum has demonstrated hard work, good judgment, and thoughtfulness in these positions;
Whereas Professor Blum has maintained a positive attitude and good humor through these times;

Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate of the Missouri University of Science and Technology does hereby sincerely thank Professor Blum for many jobs well done and wish him continued success in his future endeavors.

Ask that this statement be adopted on the 18th day of September, 2008, at the meeting of the Missouri University of Science and Technology Faculty Senate, and be incorporated in the minutes of the meeting.

IV. Election of 2008 – 09 IFC and MAFS Representatives

Doug Carroll proposed a slate of candidates approved by RP&A, for the 2008-09 Intercampus Faculty Council and Missouri Association of Faculty Senates. A motion to accept the following representatives was passed unanimously.

Intercampus Faculty Council Slate
Frank Blum, Doug Carroll, and Michael Schulz

Missouri Association of Faculty Senates Slate
Michael Schulz

V. Campus Reports and Responses

a. President Report – No Report

b. Administrative Report – Provost Wray for Chancellor John F. Carney III

Enrollment is at 6,355, a 4% increase from last year.
As of August, the Capital Campaign has raised 155 million dollars of the 200 million dollar goal.
The chancellor’s report included items on S&T graduate pay scales, Eco Car Competition, Green Initiative, Toomey Hall dedication, a new fitness center, a new tennis court, and a new home for the Design Center at the Holsum Bakery building funded through donations.

c. Administrative Report – Provost Wray

Provost Wray gave reports on the offices of Academic Affairs, Enrollment Management, School of Extended Learning, Information Technology, and Sponsored Programs.

ABET Evaluation of Engineering Programs at Missouri S&T has been scheduled for October 19th – 21st.
First Time College, First Time Transfer, and First Time Graduate enrolled numbers are all up compared to last year.
Gulf University of Science and Technology (GUST) has awarded funding in the amount of $1,956,700 to Missouri S&T to help GUST develop ABET accredited engineering programs in several disciplines.
The number of on-line distance sections being taught is at an all time high.
Information Technology reports completion of several software installations and hardware upgrades.
Call for proposals for Teaching and Learning Technology Conference (April 9-10, 2009) is now available.
The number of proposals awarded, total dollar amount, research expenditures, and F&A recovery are all up for this year.
Provost Wray reported on faculty awards and a new NSF Center approval.

Details can be found at the following link:
http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/DrWray_FS_Report.09.18.08.ppt

d. Staff Council Report – No Report
e. Student Council – A. Ronchetto

New Fitness Center is preliminarily scheduled to open next fall.
Student Council is surveying student opinion regarding a potential increase in the student activity fee in order to renovate the Recreation Center, Tennis Courts, and Intramural Fields.
An ad-hoc committee is formed to assess the current student health services and to make recommendations to Student Affairs.
Please be aware of your impact on the environment. In August there were 1.6 million sheets of paper printed from campus network printers.
S&T Career Fair is September 23, 2008. Student Council respectfully requested professors to accommodate student needs related to the Career Fair.
2008 Presidents’ Summit was held on September 10, 2008, a great success with over 70 organization presidents in attendance.


VI. Reports of Standing and Special Committees

a. Curricula Committee – Keith Nisbett
There were 1 DC, 19 CC and 16 EC (informational only) forms. A **motion to approve the submitted forms posted on the web was passed unanimously.**

Details can be found at the following link:
http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/Curricula.09.02.08.pdf

b. RP&A – F. Blum

Elections of Standing Committees

**Student Council Executive**
A motion to accept the following representative was **passed** unanimously. Lance Haynes

**Strategic Planning**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Lance Haynes, Don Myers, and a Representative from Budgetary Affairs

**Academic Freedom and Standards**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Doug Ludlow, Fikret Ercal, and Tom Schumann

**Administrative Review**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. SN Balakrishnan and Mariesa Crow

**Budgetary Affairs**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Barbara Hale, Kurt Kosbar, Pericles Stavropoulos, Oliver Sitton, and Mark Fitch

**Curricula**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Keith Nisbett, and the DSCC committee chairs (Arts and Humanities, Engineering, Sciences, and Social Sciences)

**Facilities Planning**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Don Sharpstein, Jeff Schram, and Ron Frank

**Honorary Degrees**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. David Pommerenke, Mark Van De Mark, Athanasios Liapis, Sriram Chellappan

**Library and Learning Resources**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Daniel Forciniti, Jacqueline Bichsel, Daniel Tauritz, and Edward Malone

**Personnel**
A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Partho Neogi, Mike Davis, and Trent Watts
Student Affairs
A motion to accept the following representatives was passed unanimously. Steve Grant, Greg Story, Jeffrey Winiarz, and Jeff Smith

Grievance
A motion to accept the following representatives was passed unanimously. Matt O’Keefe, Henry Pernicka, Walt Eversman, and David Van Aken

Parking, Security and Traffic
A motion to accept the following representatives was passed unanimously. Diana Ahmad, Leslie Gertsch, Nick Leventis, Sunggyu Lee, and Jorge Porcel

c. RP&A - F. Blum

Administrative Titles
In view of the fact that none of the other UM campuses has a dual title similar to Vice Provost and Dean of Enrollment Management, and in view of the fact that this campus has vigorously done away with the title and positions of Dean, the administration was respectfully requested to explain in writing to RP&A and the Faculty Senate the rationale for including the dual title.
A motion for the Faculty Senate to support the above RP&A action was passed (1 opposed).

VII. Old Business

a. Annual Committee Reports-available on web at:
   - Academic Freedom and Standards L. Haynes
   - Administrative Review J. Cawlfie1d
   - Budgetary Affairs R. Brow
   - Info. Technology/Computing D. Wunsch
   - Curricula K. Nisbett
   - Conflict of Interest K. Krishnamurthy
   - Facilities Planning
   - Honorary Degrees R. Kohser
   - Intellectual Property D. Myers
   - Library and Learning Resources A. Stewart
   - Personnel P. Neogi
   - Public Occasions G.K. Venayagamoorthy
   - Rules, Procedure and Agenda K. Kosbar
   - Student Affairs
   - Student Awards and Financial Aid
   - Tenure B. McMillin

b. Referrals
   - Budgetary Planning, Start-up Packages (Budgetary Affairs)
- Budgetary Affairs, Soft Money Raise Policies
- Best Practices for forming dept. tenure committees (Tenure)
- Campus Policy on Handling Student Concerns about Instructors (AF&S, Student Affairs)
- Monitor progress of new P&T procedures (Tenure)
- Emergency Preparedness (Facilities)
- Graduate Student Support (Grad. Faculty)
- Conflict of Interest Ad-Hoc Committee
- VPAA SB 389 Committee (D. Carroll and L. Haynes)
- Academic Dishonesty (Academic Freedom & Standards)
- Spousal Actions (Personnel)
- Ad – Hoc Committee  Generic Academic Department Bylaws

VIII. New Business and Announcements
Meeting Dates for Faculty Senate and RP&A are posted on the FS web page.

**Faculty Senate Date:**
204 McNutt Hall at 13:30
September 18, 2008
October 16, 2008
November 17, 2008
January 17, 2009
February 19, 2009
April 16, 2009
June 18, 2009

The meeting was adjourned at 14:30.

Respectfully submitted,
K.M. Isaac, Secretary