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**Volume IV, Number 3
Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
November 18, 2010**

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

Those whose names are grayed out below were absent.

Levent Acar, Baojun Bai, S.N. Balakrishnan, Jerry Bayless, Gretchen Brockfeld, Brenden Burke, W.J. Charatonik, Michael Davis, Cassie Elrod, Fikret Ercal, Bill Fahrenholtz, Mark Fitch, Daniel Forciniti, Ron Frank, Steve Grant, Barbara Hale, Lance Haynes, Patrick Huber, Wayne Huebner, K.M. Isaac, Kurt Kosbar, Bih-Ru Lea, Sanjay Madria, Jim Martin, Julia Medvedeva, Glenn Morrison, Mark Mullin, Keith Nisbett, Ken Ragsdell, Robert Roe, Pericles Stavropoulos, Trent Watts, Klaus Woelk, Paul Worsey, Chengshan Xiao

The following substitutions were noted: Yinfa Ma for Pericles Stavropoulos and Xuerong Wen for W.J. Charatonik.

The October 14, 2010 meeting minutes were **approved** as submitted.

II. Campus Reports and Responses

a. President Report – K.M. Isaac

A plaque was presented to Keith Nisbett in appreciation for his 11 years of service as chair to the Faculty Senate Curricula Committee.

President Isaac gave reports on implementing the electronic teaching evaluations, retirement benefits and announcements.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/presidentreports/KMIsaac.11.18.10.pptx>

b. Administrative Report – Chancellor Carney III

Tuesday, December 14, 2010 is the Open House at the Chancellor's residence.

The Chancellor's "State of the University" is scheduled for January 19, 2011.

The Chancellor will make a recommendation to the Board of Curators to consider bonding projects for the University of Missouri System at their November 22, 2010

meeting. Construction plans are to build a new Chemical and Biological Engineering building with renovations to the current Schrenk Hall.

Discussions are underway to remove the coal power plant and upgrade our energy system on campus.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/chancellor/Carney.FS.11.18.10.pptx>

c. Administrative Report – Provost Wray

Provost Wray gave reports on the offices of Academic Affairs, Global Learning, Graduate Studies, Sponsored Programs, Undergraduate Studies, and the CBHE/MDHE low degree productivity review.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/provost/DrWray.FS.Report.11.18.10.ppt>

d. Staff Council Report – Stacy Jones for Jessie Singleton

Staff Council is sponsoring a food and toy drive for GRACE (Greater Rolla Area Community Enterprise). Collection boxes are in campus buildings and you may donate through December 3, 2010.

Staff Council is working with the Salvation Army to collect gently-worn or new coats to be given to people in need for free. Collection boxes are in campus buildings and the coats will be picked up at the same time the GRACE donations are collected. You may donate through December 3, 2010.

e. Student Council Report – Stephanie Rostad for Pres. Michael Schwartz

Student Council is looking into downtown parking issues. Two fraternity houses are being renovated this semester and students were moved to a building downtown. Complaints from students for parking tickets issued from the City of Rolla are under review by the council.

Student council is working to improve the Student Activity Finance Board (SAFB) code. This code is used to decipher what organizations get funds each year.

The student interest survey has been distributed.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/studentcouncil/Student.Council.FS.Report.11.18.10.pptx>

f. Council of Graduate Students (CGS) – Chaitri Aroskar for Vishwanath Gandikota

The council had several guest speakers for the general meetings this semester.

The graduate student fee will remain at \$3.30 per student per semester.

CGS is conducting a survey on graduate student's monthly expenditures while at S&T. There was concern that the expenditure amount listed on the I-20 is not reflective of the average actual expenses for an international graduate student.

CGS is working on the graduate research showcase and hopes to increase the participation from all four UM campuses.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/cgs/CGS.11.18.10.ppt>

III. Reports of Standing and Special Committees

a. Curricula Committee – Keith Nisbett for Daniel Tauritz

The Missouri S&T Campus Curricula Committee recommend that the curriculum changes and degree proposals be approved. There were 2 Degree Changes (DC), 8 Course Changes (CC) and 10 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/Curricula.11.18.10.pdf>

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/curricula/Curricula.Slides.11.18.10.pptx>

b. RP&A – no report

c. Committee for Effective Teaching (CET) – Yinfa Ma

Yinfa Ma reported conclusions and recommendations from the CET committee on the pilot study on electronic vs. paper evaluation format of teaching evaluations.

Details can be found at the following link:

http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/cet/CET_Teaching_Evaluations.11.18.10.pptx

d. Personnel – S.N. Balakrishnan

The Personnel committee was asked by Vice Provost Schwartz to review and comment on the NTT Promotion Procedures. The committee needed more time to evaluate and will report comments to the Senate at the next meeting.

IV. Old Business - None

V. New Business – None

The meeting was adjourned at 14:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James Martin, Secretary