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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
April 29, 2010

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 13:30 by President Michael Schulz and roll was taken.

Those whose names are grayed out below were absent.

Levent Acar, Baojun Bai, S.N. Balakrishnan, Gretchen Brockfeld, Brenden Burke, W.J. Charatonik, Michael Davis, Fikret Ercal, Bill Fahrenholtz, Mark Fitch, Daniel Forciniti, Ron Frank, Steve Grant, Barbara Hale, Richard Hall, Lance Haynes, K.M. Isaac, Tseggai Isaac, Morris Kalliny, Kurt Kosbar, Ray Luechtefeld, Ronaldo Luna, Sanjay Madria, Jim Martin, Julia Medvedeva, Scott Miller, Mark Mullin, Keith Nisbett, Ken Ragsdell, Robert Roe, Pericles Stavropoulos, Richard Stephenson, Trent Watts, Klaus Woelk, Paul Worsey, Chengshan Xiao

The February 18, 2010 meeting minutes were **approved** as submitted.

II. Election of 2010-11 Faculty Senate Officers

Michael Schulz, President of Faculty Senate, proposed a slate of officer candidates for the 2010-11 Faculty Senate Officers. The following slate was **accepted** unanimously:

President – K. M. Isaac
President Elect – Michael Davis
Secretary – James Martin
Parliamentarian – Mark Fitch

RP&A proposed the following slate of candidates for the 2010-11 Intercampus Faculty Council and Missouri Association of Faculty Senates.

Intercampus Faculty Council (IFC)

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously.
Michael Schulz, K. M. Isaac, Michael Davis

Missouri Association of Faculty Senates (MAFS)

A motion to accept the following representative and alternate was **passed** unanimously.

Michael Davis (representative), K. M. Isaac (alternate)

III. Campus Reports and Responses

a. President Report – Michael Schulz

President Schulz reported on Board of Curators luncheon, administrative review, system-wide restructuring of awards committee, and budget issues.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/presidentreports/PresidentReport.04.29.10.ppt>

b. Administrative Report – Chancellor John F. Carney III

Chancellor Carney's State of the University Address can be found at the following link: http://chancellor.mst.edu/documents/presentations/State_of_University_-_April.pptx

The commencement ceremony for 200 master and 17 PhD degree candidates is scheduled for Friday, May 14, 2010. Bill James will be the commencement speaker. The chancellor announced the re-naming of the Straumanis Hall to Straumanis-James Hall. He invited the Faculty Senate to attend the dedication ceremony to be held at 1:30 pm on Friday, May 14, 2010.

The commencement ceremony for 683 bachelor degree candidates is scheduled for Saturday, May 15, 2010. Governor Jay Nixon will be the commencement speaker.

c. Administrative Report – Provost Wray

Provost Wray gave reports on the offices of Academic Affairs, Global Learning, Graduate Studies, Information Technology, International Affairs, Sponsored Programs and Undergraduate Studies.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/provost/DrWray.FS.Report.04.29.10.ppt>

d. Staff Council Report – no report

e. Student Council Report – Paul Voss

Officer transitioning is in process.

Results from the student interest survey were provided. 1,282 students took the survey.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/studentcouncil/Student.Council.FS.Report.04.29.10.ppt>

f. Council of Graduate Students – Suhas Narella for Ravi Akella

The Graduate Research Showcase was held on April 12, 2010. A total of 95 posters were presented by S&T and UMC students with 13 chosen as winners.

The graduate excellence banquet was held on April 23, 2010.

The CGS newsletter, Gradvision was released and is available for viewing at the following website: <http://cgs.mst.edu/newsletter2010.htm>

Details can be found at the following link:
<http://faculty senate.mst.edu/documents/cgs/CGS.04.29.10.ppt>

IV. Reports of Standing and Special Committees

a. RP&A – Greg Gelles

Election of Standing Committees

RP&A proposed a slate of candidates approved by RP&A for the 2010-11 Academic Freedom and Standards, Administrative Review, Budgetary Affairs, Curricula, Facilities Planning, Honorary Degrees, Intellectual Property, Library and Learning Resources, Personnel, Public Occasions, Student Affairs, Student Awards and Financial Aids, Parking, Security and Traffic Safety Committee, and Student Scholastic Appeals.

Academic Freedom and Standards

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Serhat Hosder, Li Li Eng, and Yoo-Mi Chin

Administrative Review

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Fatih Dogan and Ronaldo Luna

Budgetary Affairs

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Barbara Hale, Eun Soo Park, Jeff Cawfield

Curricula

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. Keith Nisbett

Facilities Planning

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously. David Wright, Robert Roe, and Sanjay Madria

Honorary Degrees

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously.

Daniel Stutts, Michael Meagher, Prakash Reddy, Ganesh Venayagamoorthy

Intellectual Property

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously.
Greg Hilmas, Jay Switzer, Lokesh Dharani, Adam Potthast, Kurt Kosbar, James Drewniak

Library and Learning Resources

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously.
Jun Fan, Akim Adekpedjou, Tom Schuman, and Edward Malone

Personnel

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously.
Mehdi Ferdowsi, Ying Chou Lin, and Gerry Wilemski

Student Affairs

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously.
Ron Frank, Chang-Soo Kim, and Jeffrey Winiarz

Student Awards and Financial Aids

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously.
Joshua Rovey, Mark Mullin, and Robert Roe

Parking, Security and Traffic Safety Committee

A motion to accept the following representatives was **passed** unanimously.
Doug Bristow, Leslie Gertsch, Michael Davis, Trent Watts, and Robert Paige

Grievance Resolution Panel and Oversight Committee (Pilot Project)

Meggie Cheng, Nuran Ercal, Cihan Dagli, Chaman Lal Sabharwal, and Prakash Reddy applied to serve on either body. Nuran Ercal was elected to serve on the Grievance Hearing Panel and Cihan Dagli on the Oversight Committee.

RP&A made the following referrals:

- Referral to Budgetary Affairs
- Referral to Academic Freedom and Standards Committee
- Referral to Student Affairs Committee
- Referral to Personnel Committee
- Referral to Curricula Committee

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/rpa/reports/RPA.Gelles.04.29.10.ppt>

The Student Affairs Committee chair, Steve Raper, could not be at the meeting and asked Greg Gelles to read the response from the Student Affairs Committee to the referral to endorse (or not) the following statement on academic integrity:

General Version

Academic honesty is essential for the intellectual life of the University.

Faculty members have a special obligation to expect high standards of academic honesty in all student work. Students have a special obligation to adhere to such standards.

In all academic evaluations of students, the instructor shall assess the student's performance and make an academic judgment about the student's grade on that work and in that course based on the academic standards of the course, including any standards of academic integrity and/or professional standards for which students have been provided notice in the course syllabus, other course materials, or other program materials. In cases where the student fails to meet the academic integrity standards of the course, the instructor may take that into account in grading the student's performance, but only to the extent necessary to make the academic evaluation of the performance. In such cases the instructor shall report any alleged academic dishonesty to the Primary Administrative Officer, who is the individual responsible for the administration of the due process procedures which can lead to sanctions being imposed against the student for violations of the Conduct Code.

Version Directed to Students (e.g. on Syllabi)

(Adapted from the student Standard of Conduct and Rules of Procedures in Student Conduct Matters, Sections 200.010 and 200.020 of the Collected Rules and Regulations of the University of Missouri)

The Student Affairs Committee voted to endorse the statement.

A motion to approve the Academic Integrity statement as written **did not** pass.
Yes-1 No-majority

Reports were provided on the Administrative Review Committee, Campus Assessment Committee, Planned RP&A retreat, and Instructional Capacity Taskforce.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/rpa/reports/RPA.Gelles.04.29.10.ppt>

b. Curricula – Keith Nisbett

Keith Nisbett reported on the curricula committee's degree change (DC) forms, course change (CC) forms, experimental course (EC) forms and transfer credit for military experience and education.

The Missouri S&T Campus Curricula Committee recommended that the curriculum changes, 61 Course Changes (CC) be approved.

A motion to approve the submitted Course Changes (CC) forms as posted on the web was passed unanimously.

A motion to table the DC 0357 and 0358 Comp Eng & El Eng until the June meeting as posted on the web was passed unanimously.

A motion to approve DC 0363 as posted on the web was passed unanimously.

A motion to approve DC 0348 and DC 0349 as posted on the web was passed unanimously.

A motion to approve DC 0360 and DC 0361 as posted on the web was passed unanimously.

A motion to approve DC0346, DC0347, DC0350, DC0351, DC0352, DC0353, DC0355, and DC0354 as posted on the web was passed unanimously.

Details can be found at the following links:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/curricula/Curricula.04.29.10.pdf>

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/curricula/Curricula.Slides.04.29.10.ppt>

Keith Nisbett reported the preliminary assessment by the Curriculum Committee of the referral FS0910ref-9 Transfer Credit for Military Experience and Education. The committee endorsed the general concept but needed more time to adapt the wording so that it conformed to S&T procedures.

A motion to endorse the general concept but to allowing the Curriculum Committee to adapt the wording of the document was passed unanimously.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/curricula/Curricula.Slides.04.29.10.ppt>

c. Budgetary Affairs – Barbara Hale

Barbara Hale gave a report to respond to the referral FS0910ref-8 Budget Cuts to Academic and Administration Units. The Budgetary Affairs Committee provided information regarding general revenue and budget change projections.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/bac/BAC.04.29.10.ppt>

d. Administrative Review –

S.N. Balakrishanan gave a report on the evaluation survey of S&T Administrators. The response rate was not good. The maximum response was 59 out of approximately 300 tenure track faculty. The detailed results and comments were provided to the administrator and their immediate supervisor. A summary of the

results can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/administrativereview/AdminReview.AnnualReport.09.10.pdf>

Respondents can view the detailed results that are kept in the Faculty Senate office.

e. Student Affairs

Greg Gelles read a report from the Student Affairs Committee in response to the referral FS0910ref-12 Procedures for Recognizing Student Organizations.

Details can be found at the following link:

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/studentaffairs/SA.04.29.10.pdf>

f. Personnel

A report was provided from the Personnel Committee regarding spousal and relative conflict of interest.

A motion to forward the Spousal and Relative Conflict of Interest statement that was developed by the Personnel Committee to IFC for the purpose of making this a part of the Collected Rules and Regulations passed unanimously.

g. ITCC

The ITCC report was delayed to the June meeting.

V. Old Business

Instructional Capacity Taskforce Update

S.N. Balakrishnan reported the task force's next meeting is on May 4th. He suggested looking at the subcommittee reports and the final report located on the Enrollment Management website.

Details can be found at the following links:

<http://enrollment.mst.edu/capacity/index.html>

<http://facultysenate.mst.edu/documents/strategicplanning/TaskForceEducationalCapacity.04.29.09.pdf>

VI. New Business - None

The meeting was adjourned at 14:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Neil Book, Secretary