

Faculty Senate Minutes February 15, 2007

Call to Order:

Call to order: 4:12 pm; Riggle Room; ADUC.

Senators Absent: Glen Colburn, Pamela Colyer, Cynthia Faulkner, Michael Fultz, Terry Irons, Eric Jerde, Christopher Schroeder, Greg Wing

Minutes: Senator Harford moved to approve the minutes of February 1, 2007, as submitted. Motion passed.

Reports:

Chair's Report:

- Chair Lindell encouraged the Senators to attend the interview sessions for the finalists in the Provost search and provide feedback to the search committee.
- Chair Lindell encouraged the Senators to review online the draft of the Center for Regional Engagement Proposal and provide comments and suggestions.
- The Executive Council of Faculty Senate recommended the following names for consideration to serve on the team that will participate in an institute on general education sponsored by the American Association of Colleges and Universities:
 - Terry Irons
 - Eric Jerde
 - Mike Wallace
- Faculty who have not already completed the FERPA training will be required to attend this training in order to access student records on the Datatel system.
- Members of the President's Leadership Academy have asked to be allowed to visit and observe a Faculty Senate meeting. They will be visiting at the March meeting.
- Dr. Andrews asked the Senate to schedule faculty discussion group sessions for this semester. Dates have not been set at this time.

Provost's Report:

- The team that participates in the institute on general education sponsored by the American Association of Colleges and Universities will gather information from other institutions for a campus-wide task force to be assembled in the fall to look at general education.
- The Provost encouraged the members to review the Center for Regional Engagement Proposal and provide feedback prior to submission of the final draft.

Senate Actions:

Academic Policies:

- The committee presented a resolution opposing the passage of the Academic Bill of Rights as contained in Kentucky House Bill 158 for a second reading with no changes from the first reading. Senator Buck submitted the following friendly amendments:
 - First paragraph; Add "the protection of academic freedom" at the end.
 - Second paragraph; Add "the protection of academic freedom" at the end.

- Add "Whereas Morehead State University already has effective mechanisms in place to assure that there will be fair and equitable treatment of its students, faculty, and instructors, and for the protection of academic freedom.
Senator Harford moved to end discussion and vote. Motion passed.
- The survey regarding the laptop initiative will be sent out soon. In order for the laptop initiative to move forward it is imperative that faculty respond with their input.

Governance:

- The committee presented a revision to the Scholarship Committee Description for a first reading. The changes are being recommended to bring the description more in line with the actual function of the committee. The Scholarship Committee Description will be submitted for a second reading at the next meeting.
- The committee presented a draft of the Attendance Policy for University Standing and Advisory Committees. The members presented several suggestions for revisions to the policy. The Attendance Policy for University Standing and Advisory committees will be submitted for a second reading at the next meeting.

Communication:

- The committee asked the Senate committees to provide information relevant to the faculty at-large to be placed in the E-zine. The information can be sent to Senator Wallace.

Evaluation:

- The committee will meet with Professional Policies to review the outcome of the tenure and promotion forums.

Fiscal Affairs:

- The committee is investigating inconsistencies in Datatel salary reporting.

Professional Policies: No Report

New Business:

- Chair Lindell presented the Strategic Enrollment Management Plan for Admission Standards and the Strategic Enrollment Management Plan for International Baccalaureate Program for a first reading. The President asked the Senate to provide input on the reports. Chair Lindell encouraged the members to review the remaining Strategic Enrollment Management Plan Reports on line. The Communication Committee will post links to the reports on the Senate Web page.
- Senator Buck suggested that a Senate committee review the parking situation on the west end of campus. Chair Lindell indicated that the same situation exists on the east end of campus.

Adjournment: 5:20 pm.