

Faculty Senate Minutes March 3, 2011

Call to Order: Chair Elect Sharp called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm; Riggle Room; ADUC.

Senators Absent: Vincent Cesaro, Braden Frieder, Cyndi Gibbs, Sarah Hawkins, Gary LaFleur, Beverly McCormick, Rebecca Miculinich, Yuqiu You

Visitors: Jeffrey Liles, Charlie Patrick

Minutes: Senator Wright moved to approve the minutes of February 17, 2011 as submitted. Senator McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Academic Issues: No Report

Evaluation: Two resolutions

Faculty Welfare and Concerns: Second reading of PAc 29, 27

Governance: Committee Description revision for 2nd reading

Senate Committee on Issues: Will ask for 3 volunteers to review the survey that will be submitted to the faculty

Reports:

Chair's Report: Senator Sharp reported on the following University Academic Initiatives discussed at the President's Leadership Council (PLC) held on February 23, 2011 and encouraged faculty to review the [President's Leadership Council web page](#) on the MSU portal. Chair Elect Sharp emphasized that faculty provide feedback on the PLC web page to the initiatives and documents.

- CPE Strategic Initiatives
- KEES x2 Scholarships
- Credit for Prior Learning UAR (appropriate Senate committee will review)
- UAR 331.02 – Use of Electronic Communications for University Messages (appropriate Senate committee will review)
- MSU Diversity Plan 2011 – 2015 – DRAFT (appropriate Senate committee will review)

Chair Elect Sharp encouraged faculty to provide feedback regarding BB/Moodle at bbmr@moreheadstate.edu. Senator Sharp reminded Senators to let the secretary know if you are going to be absent from a Senate meeting.

Provost's Report: Jeffrey Liles, Assistant Vice President Enrollment Services, presented a report on the steps in the scholarship process and updates to various scholarship programs offered at MSU: Honors, Commonwealth, Eagle Excellent Award and KEESx2. More information can be found on the Enrollment Services web site on scholarships at <http://www2.moreheadstate.edu/scholarships/> or by calling Mr. Liles at 783-2555. Question and answer session followed.

Regent's Report: Regent Morrison reported on the BOR work session. Budget priorities presented were:

1. Fixed and unavoidable expense increases
2. New investments and reallocations
3. Salaries

A Senator asked to see the number of students admitted to the University for each ACT score.

A subcommittee of the Board is reviewing the Bylaws of the Board. A suggestion has been made that the BOR have an "Executive Committee" that would be a subcommittee of the full board. The description of the "Executive Committee" includes "serve as the Presidents' evaluation and compensation committee". The "Executive Committee" membership excludes the Faculty, Staff and Student Regent.

In answer to a question from the last Senate meeting, Regent Morrison addressed the apparent non-published results of the missing category #8 in the recently released, "Are We Making Progress Report." After inquiring, his response was "no answer" at this time. The many comments submitted are in the process of being categorized.

General Education Report: Training workshops for First Year Seminars (FYS) will be offered the Tuesday before Convocation in August. Senator Rathbun indicated significant improvements in FYS: 1) pretest and posttests are being written for fall and will be online – subcommittee is addressing ways to administer pre and post test; 2) Assessment Coordinator on board who can answer questions regarding assessment; 3) proposal submitted to the Provost for an academic "point person" to answer questions and provide support; Senator Rathbun said the FYS subcommittee is "committed to doing things differently and better for fall 2011". The Provost's office and the FYS subcommittee are working on an incentive package for teaching a First Year Seminar that will be retroactive.

Deadline for Gen Ed Capstone course proposals has been moved to March 14th; there will be two workshop sessions offering training on the capstone proposals on Monday, March 7th at 11:30 and 12:40 in room 312 in ADUC. Chair Elect Sharp asked Senators to inform and encourage their faculty colleagues who are working on capstone proposals to attend.

Senate Actions:

Governance:

Senator Chatham presented a revision to the description of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for second reading. After discussion, Senator Stanley moved to approve the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Description as submitted. Senator McCoy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Evaluation:

Senator Carlson presented two resolutions for first reading. Senator Carlson and Senator McMichael provided background information, answered questions and provided clarification on the following resolutions:

- 1) [Resolution Regarding the Evaluation of Teaching](#)
- 2) [Resolution Regarding the Work of the Committee on the Proposed Annual Evaluation of Academic Administrators](#)

The Senate asked that SIR II and the revised Murray State Form be sent to them electronically before the second reading at the next meeting.

Faculty Welfare and Concerns:

Senator Fultz presented PAc 29, Faculty Workload, for a second reading and provided a background of the major changes. There was considerable debate regarding Flexible Work Agreements (FWA) and the Faculty Evaluation Plan (FEP). Friendly amendments were submitted by Senator Snyder regarding lines 26 – 29, Senator Lange regarding lines 55 – 58, and Senator Watkins regarding line 149 that FWC did not accept. Senator McMichael made a friendly amendment to leave lines 26 – 29 as submitted and add "and administrators" at the end of line 152 after "faculty". FWC accepted Senator McMichael's friendly amendment. Senator Berglee called the question. Vote to call the question passed. PAc 29 was approved by a majority vote with Senator McMichael's friendly amendment adding "and administrators" at the end of line 152 after "faculty".

Adjournment: 6:00 p.m.