

**Faculty Senate Executive Council  
Minutes for 10-24-12 with President and Provost**

**Members present:** President Andrews, Provost Hughes, Doug Chatham, Ann Rathbun, Royal Berglee, Robert Royar, Lesia Lennex, Cyndi Gibbs and Janet Skidmore, secretary

The EC met with the President and Provost over breakfast on October 24, 2012 in the Heritage Room at 7:30 a.m.

Chair Chatham and the members of the EC thanked the President and the Provost for agreeing to meet and discuss issues related to faculty and students at MSU.

Senator Lennex provided information on the plan for piloting the new faculty evaluation tool along with IDEA/Department Form.

The President began his part of the meeting with a brief synopsis of the findings of the MSU Retention Profile Report 2010 – Present. He asked the EC to address the issue of Retention with the Faculty Senate. He suggested the Retention Committee might give a presentation to the full Senate. He indicated that he is giving faculty an opportunity to have input in this retention process early.

The President stated that many and various issues are posted on the Presidents' Leadership Council webpage for Senators and faculty to review.

There was discussion about First Year Seminar courses and the former "MSU 101".

Course scheduling was also discussed. Various tools for schedule modeling are being review. The President indicated that funding in the future will be based on how many students graduate from MSU. He gave a 39.8% graduation rate in a six year cohort. MSU graduates about 1200 students per year. There was discussion about summer school scheduling to serve students. Scheduling should start with what students need/want.

President Andrews talked briefly about the Deadly Weapons on Campus Draft Policy – PG-62.

The President is planning on holding open forums with faculty to discuss and review the Faculty Compensation Model. Hopefully these will be held by the end of November.

The President provided the EC with a list of FAQ from the first three meetings with the colleges. The President had not met with the College of S&T at the time the list was compiled, so S&T in not included in the resulting list.

The President also provided the EC with a schedule of events for Homecoming 2012 October 22-28, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

The meeting ended about 9:10.