

**2016-2017 Morehead State University Faculty Senate
Minutes – January 19, 2017
Breckinridge 302**

Call to Order: 3:45 p.m.

Senators: Lola Aagaard, Annie Adams, Ali Ahmadi, Ashraf Aly, Ann Andaloro, Royal Berglee (Regent, ex officio) *, Robert Boram, Amy Brown, Ric Caric, Katy Carlson, Hans Chapman, Marshall Chapman, Ophelia Chapman, Timothy Conner, Chris Cottingham, Martha Decker *, Nathan Dishman, Mike Dobranski (Chair), Julia Finch, Lynn Geurin, Cyndi Gibbs*, Gina Gonzalez, Wilson Gonzalez-Espada, Jason Griffith, Thomas Kiffmeyer, Sanghyun Lee, Greg McBrayer, Fatma Mohamed, Sam Nataraj, Sean O’Keefe, Chien-Chih Peng, Roma Prindle, Steven Ralston (Provost, ex officio), Sandra Riegle, Edna Schack, Kim Sharp, Vijay Subramaniam, Sue Tallichet, Cathy Thomas, Suzi White, and Wesley White

Senators Absent Are Underlined Above and an * Denotes an Excused Absence

Approval of Faculty Senate Minutes

Motion: To table minutes

Vote: Passed

Announcements:

- Senator Carlson reported to Senate that the reconciliation committee was in the process of reaching an agreement regarding PAC-26 changes.
- Senator Andaloro brought forth concerns from her department regarding Senate supporting Instructors of the University. The Senate unanimously expressed their support of all Instructors and Staff on campus.
- Chair Dobranski asked the Senate about support a Taskforce on the state of the institution.
 - Several Senators supported the taskforce in light of the new president coming on board this year.
 - It was also reported the University is working on a survey for the whole campus regarding the topic.
 - Senator Caric suggested we make sure it is a holistic view of the state of the institution.

Motion: To support the Taskforce on the state of the institution by Senator Caric

Second: Senator Carlson

Vote: Passed

- Update on charge to study the Athletics budget: Brian Hutchinson was unavailable to attend Faculty Senate meeting due to other obligations. Senate has sent questions to Jason Bentley regarding the budget.
- Questions were proposed about whether not hiring a head basketball coach would be in violation of NCAA regulations.

Motion: Senator Adams moved to recommend holding off on search until Academic Affairs positions are filled.

Second: Senator Tallichet

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Senator Aagard suggested such phrasing as “In an effort to show solidarity across campus in facing our financial challenges, be it resolved that all interim positions remain unfilled whether Athletics or Academics until the budget allows us to fill all positions”

Motion: Senator Adams moved to table

Second: Senator Tallichet

- Chair Dobranski discussed a replacement for Senator Sharp on TAB. Information will be sent as it is received to the Senate.

Provost’s Report

- Budget discussions
 - Uncertainty of the budget
 - Performance funding
 - Two million dollars to \$200,000 in projected cuts
 - No tuition rate information yet
 - All units have budget proposals
 - CPE
 - KCTCS is offering multiple pathways to fulfilling mathematics requirements since not all courses are appropriate for all students.
 - Transfer 2.0 will help strengthen relationships between Universities and KCTCS
- Diversity Task Force meeting
 - Inclusion
 - Measured on diversity and plans to move forward
- General Education Taskforce
 - Reviewing General Education program at MSU
 - Studying “best practice” in state of General Education

The Provost then answered questions from the Senate.

Regent’s Report:

Sent via email

Meeting Adjourned: 5:15 p.m.

Minutes Taken By: Barbara Willoughby, Faculty Senate Secretary

Next Regular Senate Meeting: February 2, 2017 @ 3:45 p.m.