

**2016-2017 Morehead State University Faculty Senate
Minutes – August 31, 2017
Bert Combs 413**

Call to Order: 3:45 p.m.

Senators: Annie Adams, Ali Ahmadi, Ashraf Aly, Robin Blankenship, Robert Boram, Amy Brown*, Katy Carlson, Marshall Chapman, Kelly Collinsworth, Jennifer Dearden, Julia Finch, Gina Gonzalez, Wilson Gonzalez-Espada, Jason Griffith, Janelle Hare, Timothy Hare, Thomas Kiffmeyer, Lesia Lennex, David Long, Randy McCoy, Fatma Mohamad, Lee Nabb, Chien-Chih Peng, Roma Prindle, Daryl Privott, Edna Schack, Delar Singh, Vijay Subramaniam, Sue Tallichet, Cathy Thomas, Rodney Watkins, Suzie White, Wesley White, Barbara Willoughby, Qingzshou Xu, and President Jay Morgan.

Senators absent are underlined above and an * denotes an excused absence.

Approval of Faculty Senate Minutes

Motion: To approve August 17, 2017 minutes.

Vote: Passed

Announcements:

- There will be no meeting on September 7, 2017 instead subcommittees will meet during that week and at that time.
- Special Session regarding performance funding, diversity plan, and state metrics on September 14, all Senators should attend and all faculty are invited. Location announced at a later date.
- Complete the Strategic Stakeholders survey by the extended September 6th deadline.
- Complete the Title IX Sexual Misconduct Prevention Training by the September 29 deadline.
- Distribute and use the “Support Resources for Student Success” provided by Lora Pace.

Regent Report: (reported in absentia by Chair Tallichet)

- Board of Regents met August 24.
- Swore in new representatives including Faculty Regent Jonathan Pidluzny.
- MSU mission/vision no action taken on the vision.
- Overview of CPE measurements and BOR metrics was presented.
- Diversity Plan presented by Charles Holloway:
 - Increase retention over the next 5 years
 - We have a small amount of underrepresented minority students
 - Faculty enthusiasm is high especially with Dr. Morgan expressing his desire to work with faculty members
 - Six year capital plan will be revised

Provost Report:

No report

Guest Speaker: President Dr. Morgan

- Strategic planning was discussed. Student enrollment to be released within 2-3 weeks. First time students are slightly up, sophomores are steady, and Junior/Senior class has a small drop.
- Retention is pretty close to the past years’ enrollments.
- September 10-15 preliminary enrollment numbers should be out.

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- Budget issues include an expense that was not budgeted last year and will be incurred within 2018/2019 budget year.
- Pension questions and answers are still unanswered until the Governor meets
- Saudi Government is ready to open back up to MSU for students to return here

Committee Reports:

- Academic Issues: Senator Ahmadi, Committee Chair, reported that the committee will be working on General education reform.
- Evaluation Committee: Senator Dearden, Committee Chair, reported that the committee will be working on FEPs and reminded faculty to take the Strategic Stakeholder Survey.
- Faculty Welfare and Concerns: Senator Carlson, Committee Chair, reported that the committee will be working on PAcS as they come up for review and revisions.
- Governance: Senator Lennex, Committee Chair, reported that the committee will be working on filling open positions within committees.
- Issues Committee: Senator Hare, Committee Chair, reported that the committee will be working on discussing major constitutional issues and changes.

New Business:

- Contact information for faculty to inform state government regarding their pensions was handed out.

Meeting Adjourned 4:23 p.m.

Minutes Taken By: Barbara Willoughby, Faculty Senate Secretary

Next Regular Senate Meeting: September 21, 2017