

**2020-2021 Morehead State University Faculty Senate  
Minutes – September 3, 2020  
WebEx meeting**

Call to order 3:45

**Senators:** Lauren Bates, J.T. Blackledge, Robert Boram, Doug Chatham, Steve Chen, Pamela Colyer, Vivian Cyrus, Anthony Dotson, Leonard Dunman, Heba Elgazzar, Julia Finch, Mark Graves\*, William Grise, Dirk Grupe, Timothy Hare, Patricia Harrelson, Ahmad Hassan, Jeffrey Hill, Alison Hruby, Kouroush Jenab, Jeannie Justice, Thomas Kiffmeyer, Euijin Kim, Tom Kmetz, Gary LaFleur, Lesia Lennex, Jennifer O’Keefe, David Oyen, Roma Prindle, Sherif Rashad, Allen Risk, Edna Schack, Kimberlee Sharp, Sherry Stultz, Vijay Subramaniam, Craig Tuerk, and Wesley White.

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

**Approval of Faculty Senate Minutes:**

**Motion:** To approve the August 20, 2020 minutes

**Vote:** Approved

**Announcements:** (all announcements posted on the blackboard)

- New Winter II Term
- Draft Plan for Spring 2021 semester
- University’s COVID 19 response
  - **Motion:** to accept Dr. Lesia Lennex as liaison between Faculty Senate and the rapid response team.
  - **Motion:** passed
- LiveSafe App
- Faculty Senate Photos (send to Communications Officer Lesia Lennex: [l.lennex@moreheastate.edu](mailto:l.lennex@moreheastate.edu))

**President’s report:**

- State performance funding formula is under review in Frankfort. Enrollment is looking stable in regards to the budget. Enrollment numbers should be reported around Labor Day with a preliminary report and an official report in October. We have fewer dual credit students due in part to the Covid-19. Fall projected budget looks to meet the preliminary budget. The State Budget Office sent a memo to all state agencies requesting a plan to reduce state funding appropriation by 8% in the current budget year. The President stated there would be communication related to this subject released soon.

**Provost:**

- Faculty positions in all of the colleges have moved in the fall but there are a few starting Oct. 15 and others will start in the spring semester. Spring semester schedule being vetted and has not been decided on yet. Any faculty member who would like to teach winter term should seriously consider. Provost explained how the University is responding to the Covid-19 cases on campus. Dean’s evaluation tool was developed.

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**Guest Speakers:**

- Dr. Antony Norman, Dean of the Volgenau College of Education; introduced himself to Senate. Explained his vision for growth within the college by filling positions that are vacant and addressing enrollment issues.
- Dr. Scott Davison, Dean of the Caudill College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences; introduced himself to Senate. He also explained his vision for his college.

**Faculty Regent Report:**

- BOR will meet in October.

**Staff Congress Report:**

- Procedures been addressed and are being streamlined. Working on student employees and the ability to give them advancement. Spring schedule been addressed on the staff side. Decisions made without including staff congress committees. Open for ideas from faculty to make the spring semester better.

**SGA Report:**

- Encouraging students to be tested. Working on restocking dog bags.

**FS Committee Reports:**

- Executive Council report within announcements.
- Academic Issues
  - Elected officers. Worked on unfinished items from last year. FYS e courses followed up. QEP and Grey Assoc. and General Education were a few items discussed.
- Evaluation
  - Elected officers. Faculty evaluations from last year. Faculty 180 creation of ad-hoc committee. Committee will revisit dean's evaluation.
- Faculty Welfare & Concerns
  - Elected officers. Worked through document to form questions for the meeting with Grupe regarding Covid 19 concerns. Excused absence policy, the online is the same as face-to-face courses. Different building regards to temperature and molds.
- Governance
  - Elected officers via email.

**New Business:**

**Meeting Adjourned 5:26 pm**

Next meetings- September 17, 2020 via WebEx.

**Minutes Taken by:** Barbara Willoughby, Faculty Senate Secretary

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