

2023-2024 Morehead State University Faculty Senate Minutes
Thursday, March 7, 2024 – 3:45 pm
WebEx meeting

Call to order 3:45 pm

Senators: Annie Adams, JT Blackledge, Christy Boggs, Nettie Brock, Doug Chatham, Cheng Cheng, Jennifer Clark, Michele Cudd, Benjamin Fitzpatrick, Kurt Gibbs, Monica Himes, Alison Hruby, Michael Kessinger, Md Golam Kibria, Tom Kmetz, Lesia Lennex, Kathy Lewis, Doug Mock, Fatma Mohamed, Ben Morris, Gera Nelson, Lydia Njoroge, Anindita Paul, Roma Prindle, Josh Qualls, Taghagata Ray, Gilbert Remillard, Donovan Ross, Delar Singh, Amy Staton, Joyce Stubbs, Lisa Wallace, Richard Weaver, Qingzhou Xu

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

Faculty Regent: Joyce Stubbs

Guest: Jamey Carver

Call to Order

President Chatham called the meeting to order

Approval of Faculty Senate Minutes

N/A

Announcements (all announcements posted on the FS Bb shell)

FS Secretary Susan Perry has resigned due to health complications.

President's Report

President Morgan was unable to attend today's meeting. No report.

Provost Report

Provost Parikh was unable to attend today's meeting. No report

Faculty Regent Report

Next BOR meeting is March 29, 2024, 9:30 a.m., in ADUC.

Staff Congress Report

SC President Scott was unable to attend today's meeting. Report given by Jamey Carver.

SC has reviewed PG 57 and concerns have been forwarded to President Morgan.

Discussed upcoming SC elections that will begin in April for new SC members to begin serving July 1.

SGA Report

No report

FS Executive Council

President Morgan recently sent a package of proposed changes to PG 55, Technology Resource Acceptable Use. The changes will go to the Faculty Welfare and Concerns Committee for review. Questions or concerns may be addressed to President Chatham or Tom Kmetz.

Discussion

It is highly recommended for FS members to carefully read the information and share with their departments. There are several red flag concerns. Senator Adams requested President Chatham invite the CIO, Rick Wagoner, to attend a senate meeting and address any questions or concerns FS have regarding the proposed changes. President Chatham will send the invitation to Mr. Wagoner.

Academic Issues Report

The committee discussed problems with ITV courses - MSU choosing to have classes on President's Day while most regional campuses are closed for the holiday. This needs to be clarified so faculty are not left to their own devices.

Concerns from faculty regarding academic honesty with HS students and Bb access. Can there be a better reporting mechanism with academic honesty?

Evaluation Report

The committee is currently working on a survey regarding the structuring and restructuring of the university, which could affect faculty across campus. The survey should be complete within the next week.

Faculty Welfare and Concerns

No report

Governance Report

Appointments have been made for standing committees. All faculty have given consent to be on the committees assigned to. If the slate is approved by FS, those names will go forward.

Motion to accept the slate for appointments to standing committees

Motion approved

New Business

Provost Parikh has requested more preparation time for any difficult questions from FS. Questions for the provost need to be sent to President Chatham at least 2 days in advance of FS meetings.

The provost stated he is still trying to resolve PAc 1 and PAc 34 and feels FS has been silent on the issue. The provost is willing to accept a policy that only involves the senior instructor part. President Chatham questioned if there was any interest in putting forth a policy that only introduces a senior instructor rank. Senator Adams requested that the provost endorse the policy to have librarians listed as faculty. Once that policy is re-written, FS would consider how to help with the policy on what should be done with instructors.

Senator Kessinger questioned the Level-Up document in FS folders at today's meeting. President Chatham asked that the document be shared with faculty so they can then share with their students.

Old Business

N/A

Next Scheduled Meeting – March 15, 3:45 p.m.

Meeting adjourned