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## Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting, April 18, 2007

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**Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting**

April 18 2007, 3:30 p.m.  
ENGR 209

Charles Riggs , Chair  
Linda Jones, Secretary  
Minutes Status: **Approved**

**Roll Call:**

**Present**

Officers: Riggs, Rupe, Jones, Fort, Whyne

Senators (elected): (ALFS) Gbur, Rosenkrans, Popp, Rupe, Wailes; (ARSC) Allison, Turner, Parry, James, King, Freund, Brady; (EDHP) Mayes, Dibrezzo, Moiseichik; (ENGR) Deaton, Dennis, Hall, Gordon; (LAW) Killenbeck; (At-Large) Johnson, Gay, Lieber, Schroeder, Turner, Martin, Thomas, Kral, Salisbury.

Senators (admin): Geren, Smith, Bobbitt, Saxena, McMath

**Absent**

Officers:

Senators (elected): (ARCH) Wall; (AFLS) Wardlow; (ARSC) Comfort, Detels, Tsai, Spiegel, Davidson, Martin; (WCOB) Riemenschneider, Waller, Hardgrave; (EDHP) Stegman; (LIBR) Cantrell; (At-Large) Sears, Jensen.

Senators (admin): White, Weidemann, Shannon, Worrell, Dutton, Greenwood, Nance, Allen, Lewis, Broyles.

I. Call to Order: Charles Riggs, Chair

*The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:31.*

II. Roll Call

*The roll was called.*

III. Approval of agenda

*The agenda was amended to add additional announcements at the end of the meeting. Amended agenda approved.*

IV. Approval of [minutes from March 14, 2007](#) meeting.

*The minutes were approved.*

V. Reports

A. Provost - Bob Smith

- *HLC/NCA Accreditation Team visit - April 15-18. 12 members on the team, Celestino Fernandez is the leader; Follow-up presentations at the HLC meeting April 20-22. Report in Fall, 2007.*
- *Message of gratitude for faculty service on the Faculty Senate, committees, special service committees and so on.*
- *Fulbright Office of Remediation and Retention. Coordinated with ELC - Karen Hodges. Possible future curriculum recommendations for FYE and general education.*
- *SECAC Office and SECACEA - Julie Goldman, coordinator as of March 1, 2007.*

B. [Financial Advisory Committee](#) - Robert Brady

*Report on Faculty salaries. See above attachment from the Financial Advisory committee.*

C. Implementation Committee - Jeannie Whyne

*Professor Whyne presented a summary of their final report of the Task Force Report on Faculty Governance, 2006:*

- *First 11 items regarded election procedures - this items have not yet made it into the Faculty Handbook but will be placed there soon.*

- *Item 12, the Faculty Governance budget needs to be discussed with appropriate parties to make sure that all understand what the funds are for.*
- *Item 13, Service Recognition, need to reduce the stereotype on campus that services is not important.*
- *Item 14, need to report our activities in additional ways such as through news releases.*
- *Item 15, how are senators becoming senators? Need to determine if senators in some colleges are elected or appointed and rectify this.*
- *Need to have more Deans attend Faculty Senate meetings, and also consider inviting them to speak at some point in meetings.*
- *Recommended that a new task force be created to pursue more items and also consider those items which need further work.*

D. Program Review Committee - David Gay

*It is RECOMMENDED that the faculty of the Program Review Committee consider the standards and procedures used in the program review and assessment and report their recommendations to the Faculty Senate for its consideration, deliberation, and approval before the November 2007 meeting. All future standards and procedures are to be sent to the Faculty Senate in a timely manner for informed, prior approval.*

*Recommendation approved.*

VI. Old Business

A. Resolution on Divestment from Sudan

*Motion to support made; motion passed.*

VII. New Business

A. Committee on Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure

1. Inclusion in the Nomination for Promotion (Academic Policy Series 1405.10C), Nomination for Tenure (Academic Policy Series 1405.10D), and Nomination for Appointment to University Professor or Distinguished Professor (Academic Policy Series 1405.10E) a signature line for the chair of the Committee on Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure with the Committee vote results, between the Provost (F) and Chancellor (G) signature lines.

*Recommendation passed.*

2. Change part III#14, page 10 from "Each college or school shall provide for formal review of all nominations for promotion by a review committee elected by the faculty on the respective college or school." Add: "No department chairs or unit heads will be eligible to serve on this review committee."

*Motion amended to say "No department chairs or unit heads will be eligible to serve on any review committees."*

*Amendment passed; motion passed.*

B. Voting item, [Attachment 3](#), contains a proposal to modify the Academic Honesty Policy for Graduate Students. Specific changes are: 1) moves the procedures for academic dishonesty in theses and dissertations from the Academic Honesty Policy for Graduate Students to the Research Misconduct Policy; and 2) adds procedures for situations where academic dishonesty is alleged by a third party. The Graduate Council approved the proposal on March 15, 2007.

*Motion passed.*

C. Posthumous Degree

*One additional student was added to the previous list of approved graduates.*

D. Consent Agenda

The following items are referred to the Faculty Senate for review and action at its meeting scheduled for April 18, 2007:

1. Undergraduate course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on March 30, 2007: [Table A](#).
2. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences – Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness ([Table 1](#), [Attachment 1A](#)) was approved without opposition by the University Course and Programs Committee on March 30, 2007.
3. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life

Sciences – Department of Agricultural and Extension Education ([Table 1](#), [Attachment 1B](#)) was approved without opposition by the University Course and Programs Committee on March 30, 2007.

4. Three proposed undergraduate program changes for the College of Education and Health Professions – Department of Health Science, Kinesiology, Recreation, and Dance ([Table 2](#), [Attachments 2A](#), [2B](#) and [2C](#)) were approved without opposition by the University Course and Programs Committee on March 30, 2007.

5. There were no graduate and/or dual credit course change proposals or graduate program change proposals forwarded.

*Consent Agenda Approved*

#### VIII. Announcements

- *The President Elect of ASG, Nate Looney, and the President of University Programs announced that a moment of Silence would take place at 9:45 a.m. on campus to remember and support the victims of Virginia Tech. In addition, ribbons in the colors of Virginia Tech would be given away in the Connections Lounge of the Student Union. Individuals will have an opportunity to write down words of support and prayers for the Virginia Tech community.*
- *The Faculty Senate of Virginia Tech has been sent condolences from the U of A Faculty Senate by Charles Riggs, Chair.*
- *Charles Riggs recognized the hard work of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee this year.*
- *A memorial to Larry Guinn was read by Carole Lane, English Department.*
- *A [memorial to Les Howick](#) was read by David Paul.*
- *All U of A faculty retirees were recognized by Chair Elect, Jeannie Whyne.*

#### IX. Adjourn

*The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 p.m..*