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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting April 13, 2016, 3:30 p.m. ENGR 209 Neil Allison, Chair Linda Jones, Secretary Minutes Status: **Approved**

Roll Call

Present

Officers: Allison, Savin, Rupe, Jones, Brady, Pijanowski, Hall

Senators (elected): (ARCH); (ALFS) Ahrendsen; (ARSC) Freund, Lee, Spiegel, Jones, Rhoads, Kerr; (WCOB) Delery, Kali, Peters; (EDHP) Hevel, Moiseichik; (ENGR) McCann, Hall, Selvam; (LAW) Beard; (LIBR) Lehman; (At-Large) Gay, Kral, Salisbury, Korth, Allison, Jensen, Collett, Johnson.

Senators (admin): Saxena, Di Brezzo, Martin, McCray, Reyes, Van Laningham, Shields, Needy, Englis, Leeds, Cromer, Fagg

Absent:

Officers:

Senators (elected): (ARCH) Jacobus; (AFLS) Tzanetakis, Shoulders, Hettiarachchy, Edgar; (ARSC) Gigantino, Bradley, Scheide, Christiansen, McIntosh, D'Alisera, Bell, Restrepo, Zajicek, Comfort; (WCOB); (EDHP) Connors, Kavouras; (ENGR) Rossetti; (LAW); (LIBR); (At-Large) Whayne, Murphy, Dennis, Jones.

Senators (admin): Steinmetz, Rankin, Robinson, Vayda, MacKeith, Waller, Smith, Henderson Allen, Coon, Harwood-Rom

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I. Call to Order: Neil Allison, Chair

Meeting called to order at 3:34 PM.

II. Roll Call

Roll Called

III. Approval of Agenda

Agenda Approved.

IV. Approval of minutes from March 9, 2016

Minutes approved.

V. Reports

- A. Provost, Ashok Saxena
 - Budget Outlook Nothing is settled but still hoping for a decent outcome. Chancellor would like to hold off
 on new initiatives until the campus planning process is complete. Chancellor is expecting that all
 departments discuss enrollment of undergraduates and graduates, and develop an understanding of the
 faculty makeup of the department. Reality is that some have to be non tenure track. All must think of what
 an appropriate ratio would be for T/TT to non-tenure track. Mid fall, planning process should be complete.
 Will ask for plans that address enrollment management, research portfolios and so on this summer. Must
 look at service, teaching and research and how departments should look. This will help with the campus
 planning process.
 - Safety Committee Report Looking at safety on campus. Many recommendations for changes within the report. Need to focus on areas that need improvement. Hope that each department will look at the report. Provost will share the recommendations to the department chairs through Ro DiBrezzo.
 - New Award the Daniel E. Ferritor Award for Departmental Excellence in Teaching \$10,000.00. Four sets of criteria to address; these will be on the web. The plan is to institute the award within the next fiscal year.
- B. Athletics Report on Student Academic, Jon Fagg, Senior Associate Athletic Director
 - Charles Small New Assistant Athletic Director for Academic Services
 - Office of Student Athlete Success
 - 13 percentage points behind the University in terms of graduation rate 49% vs. 62%. But, those who are retained for sports equal a 76% graduation rate.
 - 40 Athletes are Honors Students

- Student Athlete GPA is 3.25 12th consecutive semester.
- Men's basketball has greatly increased its average from about a 2.02 to 2.98.
- 40 Football players on the Fall Academic Honor Roll top in the SEC in 2015.
- C. Financial Advisory Committee, Wesley Stites
 - Powerpoint Presentation
- D. Chair, Neil Allison
 - Make sure your spouse and children are official for insurance due next Friday
 - Our insurance premiums will be going up 2%
 - Working spouse exclusion will not go through next year, January 1, 2017

VI. Old Business

A. Tim Kral, Teaching Council

My Teacher's Spoken English

Motion and Second from Teaching Council to change the current question from "Overall, I would rate my instructor's spoken English..." to "I can understand my instructor's written and spoken English."

Motion to amend motioned phrase to say: "My instructor is fluent in English" rather than "I can understand my instructor's written and spoken English." Seconded.

Amendment of motion passed.

Amended motion passed.

VII. New Business

A. General Admissions Amendment - Suzanne McCray

Attachment

Keep 3.0 and 20 ACT in place for Arkansas students. But would like to raise the standards for out-of-state students as needed (based on demand). Want to ensure a 50/50 split of Arkansas students to out-of-state students.

B. Drop Date Proposal, Joel Freund

Proposal Handout

Motioned and seconded. Will be voted on during the next meeting.

- C. Consent Agenda: The following items are referred by the University Course and Programs Committee and/or the Graduate Council for review and action by the Faculty Senate at its meeting scheduled April 13, 2016:
 - 1. Course Change proposals including graduate classes approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on February 26, 2016 and the Graduate Council on March 17, 2016: (PDF Report).
 - 2. Graduate program change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on February 26, 2016 and the Graduate Council March 17, 2016:
 - a. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Accounting ACCTMA, Accounting, Master of Accountancy (Table One, 2a ACCTMA, 2a lon_13_2015 ACCTMA.docx, 2a_Syllabi for Online MAcc.pdf).
 - b. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Health, Human Performance and Recreation OTPDDP, Clinical Occupational Therapy, Doctor of Occupational Therapy (<u>Table One</u>, <u>2b_OTPDDP New Degree Ltr of Intent.docx</u>, <u>2b_OTPDDP New Degree Proposal-1 Form Revised 3 3 16.docx</u>).

Consent Agenda Approved

- D. Other Items for Consideration:
 - 1. Information item UCPC
 - Courseleaf and Syllabus

UCPC concerned that Course proposals/major changes are sometimes submitted without a syllabus. UCPC expects a standard syllabus with objectives, the readings, course materials and so on.

- 2. Informational item New Center approved Cybersecurity Center on Secure, Evolvable Energy Delivery Systems (SEEDS) –
- (3a SEEDS New Administrative Unit Ltr of Notification, 3a SEEDS New Administrative Unit Proposal).
- 3. Informational item New Center approved University of Arkansas Membrane Research Center (UA MRC) (3b UA MRC New Administrative Unit Ltr of Notification, 3b UA MRC New Administrative Unit Proposal).
- 4. Informational item New Center approved Center for Power Optimization and Electro-Thermal Systems (POETS) (3c POETS New Administrative Unit Ltr of Notification, 3c POETS New Administrative Unit Proposal).
- 5. Informational item Revision of Existing Education Program The College of Education and Health Professions is proposing to ADE the revision of SPED– Special Education Resource Teacher License, K-6 or 7-12 (3d SPED Resource program Licensure Ltr of Notification E).
- 6. Informational item New Licensure The College of Education and Health Professions is proposing to ADE a new licensure of EDUC Examiner Endorsement (3e EDUC Examiner Endorsement New Licensure Ltr of Notification E).

VIII. Announcements

- A. Campus Council, April 19, SCEN 101, 3:30 p.m.
- B. Daniel E. Ferritor Award for Departmental Excellence in Teaching, Mary Savin
- C. Recognition of Javier Reyes who is leaving the University of Arkansas.
- IX. Executive Session
- X. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:20.