Fairmont State University Faculty Senate Meeting March 10, 2015

Attendance: Chris Kast (Beh. Sci.), Matt Hokom (L&L), Beth Thompson (Math), Hugh Costello (Sci. Tech.), Joe Kremer (Business), Connie Edwards (Academic Affairs), Gwen Jones (Education), Bob Mild (BOG), Robin Payne (Social Sciences), Beverly Michael (SOE-HHP), Deb Hemler (BCG), Bob Niichel (CSMP), Anne Patterson (SoFA), Erin Hippolyte (Lib. Arts), Jessica Alsup (HHP), Budd Sapp (SOE/HHP), John Mclaughlin (LA).

Guests: Maria Rose, Chris Lavorata, Van Dempsey, Denice Kirchoff, Leia Bobo, Josh Smallridge, Dominik Mensah

- I. Senate President Shields called the meeting to order.
- II. The minutes from the Feb. 10, 2015 meeting were approved with a few spelling corrections.
- III. Announcements/Information/Discussion
 - A. President Rose
 - 1. Look for the Safe Colleges Training with a Title IX component. It should take about 20 minutes. Don't do it if you've already completed the Not Anymore training.
 - 2. The Marion County F.O.P. presented our CJ unit with a crime scene camera.
 - 3. Two of our students presented at the undergraduate day at the Capitol.
 - 4. The School of Business is hosting the ACSB accreditation,
 - 5. OSIX's report on the assassination of the Russian opposition leader received high praise.
 - 6. FSU will host an acrobatics and tumbling competition in April.
 - 7. Our CJ students did very well at the national CJ awards.
 - 8. One of our music majors has been selected for a summer program in Salzburg.
 - 9. Our architecture students are working on the dark skies project.
 - 10. The House Finance committee reinstated \$100,000 of the proposed 1.4% cut. Will the reinstatement stick?
 - 11. The legislative session ends midnight on Saturday.
 - B. Vice-President Dempsey
 - 1. explained where we are in the assessment cycle.
 - 2. explained the matrix and how to use it. The matrix is and always will be a work in progress.
 - 3. explained a program of next steps and longer term goals, focusing on a few significant and easily achievable goals.
 - 4. We will likely use a rolling review where we examine some, but not all elements, every year.
 - 5. We can likely use elements of BOG Program Reports in Taskstream.
 - C. BOG report (Dr. Rose reporting for Dr. Mild)
 - 1. The BOG approved the temporary parking project by the tennis courts.
 - 2. The BOG is putting out the tobacco free policy draft for 30 day comment.
 - 3. The BOG approved a gas line extension with Dominion Hope.
 - 4. The BOG approved 2015-2016 capital projects.
 - 5. The BOG tabled the housing MOU between FSU and PCC&TC.

- 6. On March 2nd Sightlines gave a presentation on the condition of campus buildings. On March 13th they will present a report to the HEPC. It takes about five million dollars per year to maintain buildings.
- 7. The BOG meets again in April.

D. Student Government

1. SGA representative Dominik Mensah asked faculty to help get out the vote for SGA elections and announced that SGA would be presenting an educational program on sexual assault.

E. Campus Smoking Policy

- 1. The 30 day comment period ends on March 19th.
- 2. Faculty were concerned that a tobacco free campus will push people off campus and that the first tobacco policy survey was not published. There were also questions as to why this issue, which was tackled by a committee (who proposed designated smoking areas) several years ago needed to be revisited.
- 3. Other faculty noted that the designated smoking areas were fictions. The "smoking hut" solution is far too expensive. Both surveys were conducted by Student Government. The second was better designed. The survey now on the BOG website shows us split down the middle on whether to keep the designated smoking areas or go to a tobacco free campus.
- 4. Please talk to your constituents about this.

IV. Unfinished Business

A. Curriculum Proposals 14-15-12, 14-15-13, 14-15-14, 14-15-15, 14-15-16, 14-15-17, and 14-15-18

- 1. The Senate voted to take the proposals as a group for second reading
- 2. The Senate voted to approve the proposals.

V. New Business

- A. Curriculum Proposals 14-14-20, 14-15-19, 14-15-22
 - 1. The Senate voted to take the proposals as a group.
 - 2. The Senate approved the proposals for first reading.
 - 3. The Senate voted to waive the waiting period and consider the proposals for second reading.
 - 4. It was noted that Biol 1180 couldn't count as a General Studies requirement because there is no lab component. Biol 1180 and 1181 must be taken together for GS purposes.
 - 5. The proposals were approved for second reading.

VI. Open Forum

A. Sapp expressed concern that we don't get an adequate response rate for the IDEA surveys that go out by email. The response rate can be 0%. Faculty suggested that we need a carrot or stick to improve response rates. We need to determine how the IDEA forms are actually being used. Is there a better product? How do we get participation? The Provost will report back to us on this issue.

VII. Meeting Adjourned