

Fairmont State University Faculty Senate

Minutes

Sept. 14, 2010

303 Education Building

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Attendance: Shields, Long, Shaw, Blankenship, Cable, Webb-Dempsey, Harvey, Reneau, Hansen, Khalil, Jones, Ryan, Edwards, Ingman, Frazier, Broscious, Kelley, White, Allen, Haynes, Baxter, Morris, Chiba, Clark.

Guests: Krepel, Rose, Lavorata, Schwer, Baker, Floyd, Huffman, Fallon.

I. Reading and approval of minutes from the May 2010 meeting. Motion to approve by Kelley and seconded by Shaw. Minutes were approved.

II. Election of Senate secretary. Harvey made a motion to elect Morris by acclamation after Blankenship withdrew from nomination. Seconded by Reneau.

III. Announcements/Information/Discussion

- President Krepel reminded the senate of
 - accreditation issues and the upcoming self study.
 - facilities renovations.
 - budget issues.
 - ACF agenda.
- Welcome to new Senators. The list of senators and their terms was corrected.
- BOG representative. Bob Mild informed the senate of:
 - The June approval of funding for renovations.
 - Institutional separation is moving forward.
 - The recent audit of the institution and its positive result.
 - President Krepel's contact renewal to summer 2012.
 - The intention of the BOG to perform a more formal review of the president.The senate president asked Mild to tell the BOG that faculty and the faculty senate request a systematic role in the review process.
- Student Government
 - Corey reminded the senate of the elections for student government.
- 2010/11 Senate meeting dates were noted.
- Robert Baker--Common Reading Project. Dr. Baker requested participation in this project.

IV. Unfinished Business

- Committee on Committees Report (second reading/approval)
 - After minor corrections, Kelley moved to approve and Baxter seconded the

motion. Motion carried. There was some discussion regarding joint Pierpont committees.

- Constitution and By-laws revisions (first reading)
 - A motion was made by Harvey to table the revisions so that final revisions could be made. Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Approval of revised Information Literacy Outcomes
 - Harvey moved to approve and Long seconded. Motion carried.
- Curriculum Proposal 09-10-09 (GIS) first reading-tabled at May meeting
- Curriculum Proposal 09-10-11 (Physics) first reading-tabled at May meeting
 - Harvey moved to remove from table. Reneau moved to consider both proposals. Kelley seconded. Motion carried.
 - Motion to approve both proposals by Long and seconded by Morris. Motion carried.

V. New Business

- ACF issues for the academic year – see attached email (Addendum A). The senate directed Hansen to ask for sustained funding for maintenance of capital projects, and ask that OPEB be funded by the state rather than the institution. This motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Blankenship. Motion carried.
- Senate representative to Bookstore Advisory Committee – Ingman was nominated by Hansen and seconded by Baxter. Motion to elect by acclamation by Reneau and seconded by Shaw. Motion carried.
- Revised General Studies Attribute 7A-Arts. Motion to approve by Reneau and seconded by Cable. Motion carried.
- General Studies Math Prerequisite Recommendation. Motion to approve by Long and seconded by Shaw. Motion carried.

VI. Open Forum

Harvey noted the strategic plan revision is on the website. He also announced that the College of Business will no longer accept international exchange students because resources and provisions are not available or in place for their care and safety.

Next Meeting* 12 October 2010
Rm. 303 ED
3:00-5:00 p.m.

*If you have items for the agenda please send your request to Chuck Shields by Tuesday morning October 5, 2010 for consideration by the Executive Committee.

Addendum A

The faculty senate of Fairmont State University just approved the ACF 2011 issues list today, with two additions that our president recommended and the senate asked me to include.

West Virginia Advisory Council of Faculty Issues for 2011, “Achieving the Future”

In order to support and encourage faculty involvement in cutting costs, enhancing program quality and improving student retention, graduation rates and degree completion time, the ACF supports and endorses the following issues for 2011:

- 1) Provide a systematic funding mechanism for capital projects, **sustainable deferred maintenance**, and Higher Education initiatives mandated by the Legislature.
- 2) Increase the percentage of Tenured Faculty in order to maintain academic integrity, to recruit high-quality faculty, to encourage a strong faculty voice in governance issues, and to provide consistency and oversight of programs (see *2006 Faculty Personnel Study*).
- 3) Provide relief from rising PEIA premiums.
- 4) Support Higher Education personnel legislation and initiatives that include
 - a) revising the classification and compensation system advocated by classified employees;
 - b) HEPC/CTCC tuition and fee approval above 3% rise;
 - c) standardizing HEPC academic program approvals across the system;
 - d) providing other WV Higher Education institutions with the same flexibility as Marshall and WVU in areas such as purchasing, etc.
- 5) Allow faculty representation on the HEPC and CTC Council.
- 6) Allow Higher Education Employees the right to serve in the Legislature.
- 7) Maintain state responsibility for the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) program liability.**