Fairmont State University Faculty Senate Minutes

September 30, 2011 303 Education Building 3:00-5:00 p.m.

APPROVED OCTOBER 11, 2012

Attendance: J. Webb-Dempsey (President), M. Abbott, J. Bolyard, D. Long, E. Gailey, G. Hansen, R. Harvey, S. Haynes, D. Hemler, M. Hokom, T. Hutchins, J. Ingman, G. Jones, S. Kelley, M. Khalil, G. Kirby, D. Kirchoff, B. Mild, K. Millen-Penn, J. Myers for C. White, J. O'Connor, P. Reneau, T. Ryan, C. Shields, P. Snively

Visitors: M. Rose, C. Lavorata, H. Baxter, C. Crislip-Tacy, T. Oxley, T. Rogers, D. Shields, S. Smith

- I. Reading and approval of minutes of May 2011 meeting Harvey moved to accept and Kelly seconded. Motion carried.
- II. Announcements/Information/Discussion
 - Welcome/Introduction of new Senators
 - Chuck Shields' leadership of the Faculty Senate recognized.
 - BOG representative Mild reported regarding:
 - \$500,000 in Strategic Implementation Grants available
 - Faculty Recognition at FSU football game on Sep 17
 - Student Government No report given
 - ACF representative Kelley reported regarding:
 - Chancellor Skidmore (WV C&TC) spoke at retreat
 - 120 credit hour programs discussed
 - High school students will be tested in 11th grade for math skills for college; fewer developmental courses
 - New Internet portal for students to use for course transfers
 - DegreeNow regional workshops (handout with workshop dates)
 - o Forums around the state to look at HEPC master plan
 - Reneau moved to approve the ACF goals (handout).Millen-Penn seconded.
 Motion carried.
 - Progress report on HLC accreditation Tanya Roberts reported regarding:
 - Currently working on Criterion 3 (handout of 'HLC Assessment Information for Deans' developed at the request of the Deans)
 - Outcomes and assessments for every course and program are required to be loaded into Taskstream by the Fall 2011
 - Need to document one full cycle of assessment by the end of Spring 2012

III. Unfinished Business

 Curriculum Proposal 10-11-14 Change in requirements for B.S. in Chemistry College of Science and Math Department of Biology, Chemistry and GeoScience

– Hansen moved to accept. Jones seconded. Motion carried.

- Degree Definition Policy update Long reported on summer meeting with Deans about Senate's request that the Policy be rescinded.
 - Dean Gilberti sees the Policy as a way to safeguard general studies hours but consensus is that too many majors cannot meet the current Policy.
 - The motion was to have Senate Curriculum Committee gather additional information, which Rose suggested be sent to BOG Academic Affairs.
 - Long moved to send to BOG Academic Affairs committee. Hansen seconded. Motion carried.

IV. New Business

- Committee on Committees Sharon Smith reported regarding:
 - Presented spreadsheet with information regarding committees assignments for volunteer committees and those elected from their academic units
 - Recommended following the timeline in by-laws; consider clarifications of wording to Article VI, Sections 2, 4-A-1, and 4-F. Noted that Student Government has not sent any representative names to date.
 - List of committee member needs to be confirmed by the academic units as per the by-laws.
 - Kelley moved to send assignments back to committee. Ryan seconded.
 Motion carried.
- Discussion of Override Policy
 - Numerous comments were made regarding problems that developed during the final days of registration
 - Problems centered on the requirement that all students registering for classes in the last few days of registration were required to have 'add/override forms' completed and approved by the instructor of the course and the dean, and then hand carried by the student to the Registrar's Office
 - Harvey offered to take the override policy back to the Academic Affairs committee for review and clarification. There was general concurrence to accept Harvey's offer.
 - Harvey will report back at a future Senate meeting.

V. Open Forum – No Discussion

President Webb-Dempsey declared the meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting11October 2011* Rm. 303 ED 3:00-5:00 p.m.

*If you have items for the agenda please send your request to the President of the Senate by Tuesday morning October 4, 2011 for consideration at the OctoberExecutive Committee Meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Ed Gailey, Faculty Senate Secretary

5 October 2011