



Faculty Senate

Minutes - Regular Meeting

May 1, 2018

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Curriss Center Theater

President Joe DeBella called the meeting to order at 3:33pm. The minutes of the April 3, 2018 regular meeting were approved as distributed.

Introduction of New Faculty Senators

President DeBella welcomed the newly elected departmental Senators to the Faculty Senate and presented them to the group.

Stephen B. White Award for Shared Governance

President DeBella announced John Young as the 2017-18 co-recipients of the Stephen B White Award for Shared Governance. DeBella thanked him for his hard work and dedication to shared governance at Murray State and presented him with his certificate.

Recognition of Service

President DeBella presented certificates of service to Senators concluding their time with Faculty Senate. He thanked each of them for their work and contributions to the Senate.

Nomination Committee – Election of 18-19 Faculty Senate Officers (Senator David Roach)

President DeBella handed the meeting over to Senator David Roach. The unopposed nominee for president was Joe DeBella and the unopposed nominee for vice president was Brian Clardy. Both were elected in votes of acclamation. At Large Representatives to the Executive Committee will be appointed later.

Reports

Faculty Regent: Regent Farmer commented on the passing of Ray Conklin and asked for a moment of silence in his honor. Regent Farmer also gave updates on the upcoming Board of Regents meeting to be held on May 11, 2018 at which she anticipates the passing of the 3% tuition increase and the parking pass change to \$200. She and Phil Schooley asked to remove the charge for the 20 years and over people. They will also be discussing work that will be needed for electrical grid. She also briefly addressed the ongoing changes to the pension system. She also discussed tuition waivers do not cover course fees and the need to grow online course offerings on campus.

ATTENDANCE

Table with names and attendance status (P, A)

Proxies

- Cory Brown
Wayne Tervo

Guests

- Dr. Renee Fister
John Young



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Academic Polices: Senator Donnelly reported the issue being addressed in Academic Council. The issue is to avoid course duplication.

Finance: Senator Roach reported COLA is not part of the budget proposal at this time. He encouraged senators to sign up for his committee.

Governmental Affairs: No report.

Handbook and Personnel: No report.

Rules, Elections and Bylaws: Senator Clardy asked committee members to meet with him directly following the meeting.

Executive: President DeBell stated the he talked to Dr. Arant about the course duplication issue. He stated Dave Gessler had worked on some changes in relation to He commented on the Regional Outreach and encouraged Senators to reach out to Dan Lavitt if they are interested in courses in that area. President DeBella encouraged Senators to ask questions when they have them to be sure they get the information they need. He also urged Senators to notify him if they have a class time that conflicts with Senate meeting times. He offered to assist in requesting changes in those times to accommodate attendance. President DeBella thanked everyone for their daily work with students. He reminded faculty to attend Commencements this year at 9am and 2pm with a luncheon available between in Winslow. He asked Senators to sign up for their committees before leaving the meeting.

New Business

Rules were suspended for new business. Senator Roach discussed the changes proposed to the Steven B. White Award for Shared Governance including the committee accepting the nominations, the balloting process and deadlines related to the award. The proposal passed by majority vote.

Old Business: None

The meeting adjourned at 4:34 pm.

The next organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, September 04, 2018 at 3:30pm.

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New Business:

Equal education and employment opportunities M/F/D, AA employer. Murray State University supports a clean and healthy campus. Please refrain from personal tobacco use.

Finance Committee 2017 COLA Report:



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Senator Roach passed out copies of the report. This was an independent report by the committee and is not the one used by the university. He reported the COLA gap is 2.01% in 2017. Roach reported the president stated the 1% COLA raise is on the priority list, but is not definitive yet.

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Rules were suspended by unanimous vote to address New Business

Senator Miranda Terry presented a resolution from the Governmental Affairs the Faculty Senate of Murray State University hereby does not support the wording as proposed in Governor Bevin's proposed budget bill 18 RS BR 827 (HB200) on page 126, bullet point 29, subsections 1-3. There was a motion to amend wording in paragraph 3 of the resolution. The motion to amend passed unanimously. The resolution passed as amended by unanimous vote.

Guest Speakers:

Dr. Don Robertson discussed graduate/international recruitment and enrollment. Several slides were presented showing ideas and changes that may assist MSU in areas it is struggling in graduate education.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 pm.

The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, March 06, 2018 at 3:30pm.

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