

**ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE MEETING  
March 17th, 2023  
HSS 1028**

**Attendees:** Ed Salo, Donna Caldwell, John Hershberger, Jake Qualls, Robert Williams, Sarah Scott, Matthew Harmon, William Maynard, Robert Robinette, Richard Segall, Carlitta Moore, Zahid Hossain, David Pearlman, Tim Oliver, Kim Vickrey, Andrea Brown, Addie Fleming, Ibrahim Duyar, Karen Graham

**Proxy Attendees:** Benjamin Poku for Claude Rector, Amanda Wheeler Gryffin for Eric Scudamore, Ibrahim Duyar for Robert Williams, Rashele Wade for Cheryl Knight

**Absentees:** Hrishikesh Desai, DayDay Robinson, Sudeepa Bhattacharyya, Bert Greenwalt, Pradeep Mishra, Nikesha Nesbitt, Rollin Tusalem, LTC John M. Weatherly, Gabriel Horowitz, Suzanne Melescue, Kris Biondollilo, Scott Mangan, Gary Edwards, Veena Kulkarni, Arianne Pait

**Meeting Called to Order:** Ed Salo established a quorum. The meeting was called to order at 3:02 pm by Ed Salo.

**Order of the Day:** Motion to approve the order of the day by Andrea Brown, seconded by Zahid Hossain, all in favor, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the March 3, 2023 meeting minutes by Carlitta Moore, second by Andrea Brown, all in favor, motion carried.

**Q&A with Interim Provost, Dr. Len Frey:**

- Dr. Frey was unable to attend; Dr. McLean from Provost Office here to speak
- Canvas- Will there be support in the summer? Dr. McLean stated that everything should be ready. Things will pick up over spring break. CETL, in-person sessions, zoom call. Course build available. Canvas themselves are very responsive if you reach out to them on their hotline. Canvas Community is very helpful as well.
- Can we start using Canvas in Summer 1? Yes, let Chris Boothman know. Canvas will officially go live for everyone in July.
- Assessment data will still be archived from Blackboard if needed for accreditation, etc.
- Blackboard Utilities- will still have the same functions with Canvas (merge, etc.)
- K-19 company- 99.7% effective in moving videos (integrity)
- Canvas Summer Institute possibility? Not at this time--Chris and Ruth looking for feedback. Be sure to let them know.

**Old Business:**

*Committee Reports:*

- Faculty Handbook Committee (Sections II and III) - Suzanne Melescue

- Had been looked at by Shared Governance and was determined not to be a Shared Governance issue; only issue for Faculty Senate. No discussion on Sections II and III.
- John Hershberger moved to adopt the Sections II and III of the Faculty Handbook as written, seconded by Carilitta Moore, all in favor, motion carried.
- Team Teaching Committee Proposal- John Hershberger
  - If approved, the proposal will go through the shared governance process.
  - Carlitta Moore moved to accept the Team Teaching proposal, second by Addie Fleming, all in favor, motion carried.
  - John asked, where would this go?--Will go in the Faculty Handbook if passed.
  - Will go to Shared Governance now. John has shared with many already.

#### **New Business:**

- Nomination Committee
  - Ed will send the Committees names out.
  - Email will go out tonight (3/17) asking for nominations
  - Must have been here 3 years, full time, member of faculty; don't have to be a senator
- Survey for Shared Governance Committees sent out via email
  - Some tenured, some non-tenured; some require some from different colleges, others not
  - Good for service, especially if on tenure track
  - Done by 3/31

#### **Other Business:**

*No discussion.*

#### **Open Forum:**

- Follow up on HPESS- towels and classes.
  - Ed spoke with Spencer. Towel service was in the building with the pool. Pool is going away.
  - Plans to set up new laundry? Don't know, I doubt it. Washer broke previously. No where else to put it currently. Not sure what is happening with the space where the pool was. Dr. Frey might be able to answer when he returns.
  - Classes- Spencer explained trying something new with a new system; no plans to do away with free classes and hopefully plan to bring more back. Email Spencer if you have additional comments or questions.
- Admission requirement- change every year? From Dr. Shields email.
  - Can discuss at the next meeting. Had talked with Loretta and Ed in Shared Governance. Not changing the requirements; making the appeals process more

uniform. Design is kind of a rubric so everyone gets the same level of appeal and is more holistic.

- Members are appointed each year; no real continuity. They are wanting to improve that. Maybe staggering appointments so some institutional memory. Not changing requirements.
- Book of Committee- how is this updated? Someone is working on this. HLC- need to clean up the Book of Committees and website. Some information is outdated. Plan to clean up within next year. Email Ed if questions about who is on, when they come off, etc.
- If interested in running for President, ask Ed. He's open to questions.
- Ed has not addressed the student athlete concern that was discussed at the last meeting, but will address it.

Ed Salo adjourned the meeting at 3:30 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 7th at 3:00 pm in HSS 1028.