

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

Attendees: Sudeepa Bhattacharyya, Kris Biondollilo, Andrea Brown, Donna Caldwell, Ibrahim Duyar, Gary Edwards, Addie Fleming, Bert Greenwalt, Matthew Harmon, John Hershberger, Zahid Hossain, Cheryl Knight, Veena Kulkarni, Scott Mangan, William Maynard, Suzanne Melescue, Pradeep Mishra, Carlitta Moore, Nikesha Nesbitt, Arianne Pait, Jake Qualls, Claude Rector, Robert Robinette, Ed Salo, Richard Segall, Rollin Tusalem, Kim Vickrey, LTC John M. Weatherly, Robert Williams

Proxy Attendees: Robert Williams for Karen Graham, Scott Anderson for Sarah Scott

Absentees: Hrishikesh Desai, Gabriel Horowitz, Tim Oliver, David Pearlman, DayDay Robinson, Eric Scudamore

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 move Shared Governance Proposals Voting to the beginning of the meeting by Andrea Brown, seconded by Robert Robinette, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the revised (minor editorial changes made by Secretary, Addie Fleming) February 2, 2023 meeting minutes by John Hershberger, second by Zahid Hossain, all in favor, motion carried.

Shared Governance Proposals- Vote:

- SGOC 202260-02 Captioning and accessibility operating procedure policy
 - Motion made by Andrea Brown to vote, seconded by Arianne Pait, 25 in favor; 1 opposed; Passed
- SGOC 202310-01 Reduction in upper level credit hours for baccalaureate degrees
 - Motion made by Addie Fleming to vote, seconded by Veena Kulkarni, 24 in favor; 2 opposed; Passed

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

- Claude asked, is there a plan to lock buildings for access in light of events at Michigan?- Building liaison to lock doors; will take longer to plan to be able to lock centrally; need key card access to all buildings; Union and Library planned (high traffic areas and most students congregate), then roll out to other buildings.
 - LSW/LSE- don't know the timeline yet

Canvas Rollout, Dr. Will McClean:

- Canvas is working, but getting it to pull from Banner is a work in process with the Banner update

- Have moved over 5,000 Blackboard shells/classes. K-16 moving courses. 98% integrity or greater that courses will move correctly and not have to be redone. Next week/week and a half, all courses will be moved over.
- Start up resources are available. Can attend drop-in sessions in CETL. Kaltura Training resource website has recorded sessions. March sessions coming out soon. Zoom and in-person sessions. Online asynchronous course also available. Phone and chat feature available with Canvas; Canvas community is a resource as well.
- Ruth and Dean handling on campus; Chris handling AOS.
- If class starts May 16th, you will be able to use Canvas (including Maymester courses). Can use Blackboard if the course will be completed by July 1.
- Canvas is easier, more intuitive. Rubric creation, tests.

Old Business:

Committee Reports:

- Team Teaching- John Hershberger-comments back. Talked to chairs and deans. Did not hear back from SGA. Shown to Dr. Utter and then Dr. Frey; seemed supportive. Ed will send out. Formally presented at the next meeting.
- Faculty Retention-Going well.
- Handbook Committee -2 sections of faculty handbook to look at (sec 2 & 3). SGOC decided it was not a shared governance issue and only needed to be reviewed by faculty. Ed will send out.

New Business:

Shared Governance Proposals:

- Proposal 202310-02 Academic standing for December interim (Winter Session)- out for comments
 - Send comments; will vote later.

New Committee- Resolution to Support Veterinary School:

- Ed would like to establish a committee to explore a resolution to support Veterinary School- Dr. Shields and Dr. Frey have discussed. Non-binding resolution just stating that faculty support this. Science and Agriculture colleges and anyone else who is interested.

New Committee- Resolution to Change the Teaching Load:

- Ed would like to establish a committee to explore a resolution to change the teaching load- Chairs have been working on a resolution to standardize the chair workload; several have come to Ed about working on teaching load to reflect R2 status and peoples preference (research vs teaching). Need a resolution. Math and Science have shared their teaching load policy. Not a one-size-fits-all.
- If interested in serving on either of these committees, email Ed. After having a response from senators, Ed will also send it to the rest of the faculty. Faculty senator must chair.
- Would like to have something by the end of the semester and work over summer, and then have something for the next senate in fall to immediately pick up on.

Other Business:

No discussion.

Open Forum:

No discussion.

Ed Salo adjourned the meeting at 3:30 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 3rd at 3:00 pm in HSS 1028.