

ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE MEETING
November 17, 2023
HSS 1028

Attendees: Andrea Brown, Ed Salo, Addie Fleming, John Hershberger, Jake Qualls, Robert Williams, Audrey Folsom, Kristen Sumler, Suzanne Melescue, Richard Segall, Katie Camden, Alexandr Sokolov, Dwayne Powell, Shanon Brantly, Pradeep Mishra, Sarah Scott, Cheryl Knight, Karen Graham, Matt Carey, Guolei (Jason) Zhou, Khem Aryal, William Maynard, Paul Finnicum, Ibrahim Duyar, Gary Edward, Veena Kulkarni, Toccara Carter

Proxy Attendees: Wayne Wilkinson for Jessica Curtis, Jake Qualls for Arianne Pait and Kim Vickrey, April Sheppard for Robert Robinette

Guests: Amanda Mohler, President Elect

Absentees: Bert Greenwalt, LTC J. Morgan Weatherly, Rollin Tusalem, Scott Mangan, Zahid Hossain, DayDay Robinson

Meeting Called to Order: Ed Salo established a quorum. The meeting was called to order at 3:01 pm by Ed Salo.

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

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the November 3, 2023 meeting minutes by Katie Camden, second by Paul Finnicum, all in favor, motion carried.

Provost Update/Q&A- Dr. Calvin White:

- Admitted more students as of today than we did all last year! Making sure we yield these students; 2500 and some change (admitted). We want to get them on campus. Waitlisted kids. Over 5,000 applicants (completed applications) 2.8 and above admitted, below 2.8 are waitlisted. Will go back in January and take a look at them. Arkansas Promise Plus is paying off. ACTs and GPAs are higher. Haven't rejected anyone.
- High school transcripts? - Help the process. Moving to CommonApp, where that will send requests. It is a quarter million-dollar application. They will request and it will hopefully streamline the process. Accuplacer test is being done here as well. Trying to remove roadblocks. Our application process is more difficult than other schools and our competitors.
- Percentage online? -These numbers are all on campus. Removing the term AOS in next two years. We are 1 campus with 2 modalities. We want to remove the divide and allow students to take either but maybe place a limit (i.e. 3 hours per semester online). Need to increase fluidity.
- Andrea-Look at gen ed courses that are listed as online only for our face-to-face students.

- Systems and outcomes misaligned. These systems were set up years ago, but no longer give the outcome/output that we need today. “Before you take down the fence, you have to understand why it was put up.” Must change to deliver a better outcome of where we are today.
- For every 3 we admit, only 0.5 students come to our campus. Our highest yield is only 38%.

Guest Speaker:

- N/A

New Business:

- Establish a committee to discuss Equity
 - Kim Vickrey – Chair; if you want to be on it, email Ed. We want to keep the committee small, but broad.

Old Business:

- None

Other Business:

- None

Ed Salo adjourned the meeting at 3:22 pm.