

Faculty Senate Meeting February 15, 2019
Delta Center 201

Attendees: Manu Bhandari, Donna Caldwell, Matthew Carey, Ross Carroll, Sharon Davis, Mary Donaghy, Sharon James, Cheryl Knight, Marika Kyriakos, Mollie Manning, Kellie Martin, Brian Mason, Bill Maynard, Jeff McLaughlin, Suzanne Melescue, Pradeep Mishra, Nikesha Nesbitt, Joseph Richmond, Robert Robinette, Bill Rowe, Richard Segall, Stacy Walz, Amanda Wheeler, Christine Wright, Chris Jordan, Jeff Jenness

Proxy Attendees: Rick Burns (for Steve Weimer), Win Bridges (for Marcus Tribbett), Jie Miao (for Jeongho Ahn).

Absentees: Than Boves, Joanna Grymes, Hans Hacker, Shivan Haran, Irina Khramtsova, Mike McDaniel, Loretta McGregor, Greg Phillips,

Meeting Called to Order: The meeting to order at 1501by Donna Caldwell

Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2018

Approval of Minutes from February 1, 2018: not approved, correction needed – add absent senators to the February 1, 2018 minutes. Corrections will be made and resubmitted for approval

Updates and Announcements: Dr. Damphousse has signed a contract with the NAPA Group to guide the institution's Strategic Planning. Representatives will be on campus March 6 to start the process. Dr. Damphousse is also finalizing the steering committee membership.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Bryan Terry, Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management – provided a brief explanation of what Enrollment Management is and is not. Enrollment Management is more than just getting new students, it includes Recruitment, Admissions, Financial Aid and Retention. The offices of Recruitment and Admissions has been consolidated into one office, with one person who will oversee both departments. In addition to high school freshmen, there will be a new focus on transfer students, experienced learners, and the growing Latina population in the states of Arkansas. Win Bridges suggested that alumni be used more in terms of recruitment and LTC Brian Mason asked if there were any discussions to lowering the admissions standards- Dr. Terry assured this was not the case but did state that a more holistic approach to admissions would be employed. According to Dr. Terry there is also discussion that current financial aid practices may be too generous.

Old Business: Bill Maynard asked to revisit discussion from last meeting concerning library cancellations of various journal and books. Robert Robinette stated he could provide a list from the library of journals that have been cancelled and those that are due to expire – he will have this list by the next Senate meeting. Bill Maynard moved that 1. the Faculty Senate would ask the library for the previously mentioned list; 2. department faculty be surveyed in an effort to better determine the impact of the loss of journals; and 3. The Faculty Senate would inquire as to how the money saved by the cancellation of certain journals and books has been reallocated. LTC Brian Mason seconded. Motion carried.

New Business: Bill Maynard moved that the Faculty Senate ask administration for a breakdown of how student fees are spent. Richard Burns seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: No committee reports

On Deck: Next Senate Meeting March 1, 2019

Bill Maynard moved to adjourn the meeting. Richard Burns seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1547.