

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES OCTOBER 17, 2008

FACULTY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Louella Moore-Chair	P
Shivan Haran-Vice-Chair of the Senate	P
Beverly Boals Gilbert-President Elect	A
Lillie Fears-Secretary Faculty Association	A
Amy Claxton- Secretary of the Senate	P

AGRICULTURE (1)

	Members Present	Proxy
Bill Humphrey Spring 10	P	

BUSINESS (3)

Johnny Van Horn Spring 10	P
Richard Segall Spring 10	P
Ahmad Syamil Spring 10	

COMMUNICATIONS (2)

Pradeep Mishra Spring 10	P
Jack Zibluk Spring 10	P

EDUCATION(5)

Andy Mooneyhan Spring 09	P
Daniel Cline Spring 09	P
Tom Fiala Spring 09	P
Mark McJunkin Spring 10	A
Amy Claxton Spring 09	P

ENGINEERING (1)

Shivan Haran Spring 09	P
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FINE ARTS (3)

Brent Foland Spring 10	P
Ron Horton Spring 09	P
Bill Rowe Spring 09	P

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES (6)

Robert Baum Spring 10	P	
Win Bridges Spring 10	A	
Richard Burns Spring 09	P	
Peggy Robinson-Wright Spring 09	P	
Alex Sydorenko Spring 09	P	
Richard Wang Spring 09	Proxy	Fiona Miller

LIBRARY (1)

Myron Flugstad Spring	P
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MILITARY SCIENCE (1)

Jeffery Helms Spring 09	A
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NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS (4)

Donna Caldwell Spring 10	Proxy	Deanna Baryman
Richard Freer Spring 10	Proxy	Jennifer Freer
Mike McDaniel Spring 09	P	
Judith Pfriemer Spring 09	P	

SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS (4)

Richard Grippo Spring 10	P
Hung-chi Su Spring 10	A
J. Mike Hall Spring 10	A

Open Seat

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (1)

Vickie Stripling

Spring 10

A

Meeting called to order at 3:00 pm

Presentations:

1) Dr. Marti Allen, Museum: Resources for Academic Use

The ASU Museum is a growth area of academic resources for faculty. Dr. Allen reported she had two main goals when coming the ASU. Goal 1 was to make the ASU museum more academic. Goal 2 was make the museum more responsive to its audiences. ASU was one of the first museums accredited in 1973 by AAM. ASU was last credited in 1996. The museum staff is currently on target to hand in materials December 2008 for accreditation. Just completed an inventory of the museum collections and are working to purchase archival materials for storage. They are looking to begin a two year museums credential program that could be house in one of several departments. The first student curated show will be about the Native Americans of Northeast Arkansas. To become more responsive to the audience the museum needs to become more aware of cultural needs (African American, Native American, Hispanic...) The museum is also working to improve exhibits for children and education. The Reynolds Foundation invited the ASU museum to submit a grant. Grant application is due Dec 12, 2008

2) Dean Bienke (EDUC): Informational report on Higher Education Holdings

Dean Bienke presented a prepared statement and document in response to concerns related to Higher Education Holdings. The concerns were raised by faculty members from the Educational Leadership department in a prepared document distributed at the last Faculty Senate meeting. He has come to set the record straight about the concerns set forth in the Oct. 3 document.

Dr. Fialla stated that with such opposing statements we need to find out what the facts are. He believed it is faculty senate's job to help determine what is accurate. Dr. Bienke believed that the issues should have gone through department and college channels rather than whole university.

3. Dr. Potts has worked on insurance. He stated he hoped to reinstate the \$400,000. He reported to have found a receptive audience at system office. System wants this to be a system action. Dr. Potts reported that things looked promising and should be finalized soon.

Old Business:

1) Minutes Presented for Corrections and/or Approval

Humphrey moved to accept the minutes. Moonyhan seconded Passed 0 opposed

2) Report from AGOC on item referred by Senate

McDaniel reported that they looked into changes in undergraduate admission requirements. It would appear from routing documents that no group beyond academic affairs signed off.

3) Shared Governance Process Change Proposal

McDaniel made a motion we approve Shared Governance Proposal as written. Zibluk seconded the motion. McDaniel spoke in support of the Shared Governance Proposal and urged approval. Rowe asked what will happen since Staff Senate has rejected the proposal. McDaniel state that Dr. Potts will have to decide.

Moore directed senate to pg 15 of Section 1 of handbook and pointed out the problems related to the current shared governance requirements in the current handbook.

Richard Burns made motion for voting to be conducted by secret ballot Mooneyhan second the motion

Vote: 10 yes 13 no

Ballot will be open ballot

Vote to accept Shared Governance proposal: Yes 24; No 6; Abstained 0

New Business:

- 1) Shared Governance issues – none reported at this time
- 2) Informal informational reports from Senators on University Committees
Building and grounds committee may have money for remodeling in departments but you have to apply for the money.

McDaniel reported that Faculty Senate may need to address the grievance process in the future.

Moore presented information related to ACT scores and high school GPA. We virtually have open enrollment.

Alex Sydorenko concerns about grade inflation. How well do we evaluate students that graduate from ASU? Fiala, Rowe, and Moore talked about problems in teaching. We need to look at teaching and learning in a multifaceted way.

Meeting declared adjourned.