

Faculty Senate Minutes
Minutes of August 25, 2006

FACULTY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

PROXY

Bill Humphrey—Chair	P
Richard Freer—Vice-Chair of the Senate	P
Louella Moore-Faculty Association President Elect	P
William B. Maynard—Secretary Faculty Association	P
Judith Pfriemer—Secretary of the Senate	A

Win Bridges—Acting Parliamentarian	P
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AGRICULTURE (1)

Bert Greenwalt	P
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BUSINESS (3)

Mark Foster	P
Richard Segall	P
Ahmad Syamil	A

COMMUNICATIONS (2)

Lillie Fears	P
Pradeep Mishra	P

EDUCATION (5)

Cindy Albright	A
Daniel Cline	P
David Holman	P
Marci Malinsky	A
Amany Saleh	P

ENGINEERING (1)

Shivan Haran	P
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FINE ARTS (3)

Stacy Alley	P
Tim Crist	P
Alyson Gill	P

HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES (6)

Robert Baum	P
Win Bridges	P
Mary Donaghy	P
Eric Gilbert	P
Joe Sartorelli	P
Richard Wang	P
	Phyllis Pobst

LIBRARY (1)

Myron Flugstad	P
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MILITARY SCIENCE (1)

LTC Larry P. Aikman	A
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NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS (4)

Donna Caldwell	P
Richard Freer	P
Cathy P. Hall	P
Judith Pfriemer	P

SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS (4)

Bob Bennett	P
William Burns	A

Jeff Jenness P
Jie Miao P

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (1)

Gloria Bridges P

Chairman Humphrey called the meeting to order.

I. MINUTES: Approval of the May 21, 2006 minutes was deferred until next meeting. Bill requests copies of the last two years of meeting are sent to him electronically.

II. Election of Secretary and Vice Chairman: Judith Pfriemer was elected secretary. Richard Freer was elected vice Chair

II. OLD BUSINESS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

i. **Senate Handbook Task Force:** Julie Isaacson reported that the task force report was presented to the faculty at the Faculty Association Meeting on August 16, 2006 at 08:30 in the Student Union Auditorium.

ii. **Resolution on the Procedure for Appointment to Shared Governance Committees:** Louella Moore distributed a copy of a resolution. Discussion followed as to the need to suspend the rules. Win Bridges made a Point of Order that a 2/3 majority vote was needed to suspend the rules to consider the motion. Richard Wang moved and Win Brides second motion to suspend rules.

Motion Passed.

Discussion of the motion followed with friendly amendments made to resolution.

Richard Freer moved and Phyllis Pobst second motion to accept the amendments to the resolution.

Motion Passed

Richard Wang moved and Richard Freer moved to add item "f" to the resolution.

Motion Passed.

Bill Humphrey called for the question.

Resolution Passed

The resolution is reproduced below.

Arkansas State University (ASU) Faculty Senate Resolution on the Procedure for Appointments to Shared Governance Committees

Whereas, The Arkansas State University (ASU) Board of Trustees passed a document on February 24, 2006 entitled "Arkansas State University Faculty Handbook 2006";

Whereas, The ASU Faculty Senate subsequently rejected the Board of Trustees document for reasons cited in a resolution passed March 17, 2006;

Whereas, The ASU Faculty Senate voted on April 21, 2006 to appoint faculty representatives only to Shared Governance Committees authorized in the prior existing 1996 Handbook and subsequent Faculty Governance documents;

Whereas, The ASU Administration rejected all Faculty Senate Shared Governance committee appointments submitted by the President of the Faculty Association under the terms of the 1996 Handbook and related documents;

Whereas, The report of the Faculty Handbook Task Force presented to the Faculty Senate and Faculty Association on August 16, 2006 enumerates attempts to resolve the Handbook and Shared Governance impasse which have not resulted in any agreement between the Faculty Senate and the Administration or Board of Trustees on a one-time extraordinary change process;

Whereas, The report of the Faculty Handbook Task Force presented to the Faculty Senate and Faculty Association on August 16, 2006 indicates that all Faculty Senate Shared Governance committee appointments are currently open with faculty having no voice in shared governance issues or the handbook change processes recognized by the administration and Board of Trustees;

Now, therefore be it *Resolved*,

- a) That the Arkansas State University Faculty Senate directs the ASU Faculty Senate Executive Committee to make all Share Governance Committee appointments no later than September 8, 2006.
- b) That these appointments should be made according to the Committee titles listed in the document adopted by the ASU Board of Trustees on February 24, 2006.
- c) That these appointments are to be made for the period of one year only.
- d) That any continued appointments or replacement appointments beyond the academic year 2006-07 will be reconsidered by the Faculty Senate no later than April 30, 2007 based on its assessment of progress in true Shared Governance at Arkansas State University.
- e) That the Faculty Senate will make diligent effort to work through its representatives to submit proposed revisions in the document recognized by the Board of Trustees and the ASU Administration as the "Arkansas State University Faculty Handbook 2006" to bring it more in line with the document produced by the ASU Faculty Association Handbook committee as passed by the Faculty Senate on March 17, 2006 with a goal of having key changes before the Board of Trustees by December 2006.
- f) That a vote to approve this resolution in no way implies the Senate rescinds its resolution of March 17, 2006.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

- i. Amany Saleh brought up the issue of parking on the streets behind the Center for Education Excellence and the College of Nursing Buildings which now has "NO Parking" signs and warning of a \$25.00 fine for non residents parking. Bill Humphrey stated that he would check on the parking situation.
- ii. Dan Cline brought up the issue of Faculty senator elections and where are the guidelines for the election and the length of the term. Discussion followed and it was reported to the members that the elections would fall under the colleges bylaws but generally elections were held in Spring and Senators were elected for a 2 year term.
- iii. Bill Maynard requested that Bill Rowe as President of the AAUP be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- iv. Cathy Hall asked for an update on the Chancellors search. Bill Humphrey reported that he was informed that candidates were being selected and invited to campus for interviews starting September 1st. Glen Jones has told him that there will be times set aside for faculty meet and great as well as campus open forums.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

V. ADJOURNMENT:

In the absence of further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM.