# Minutes of the March Session of the Faculty Senate Missouri State University 

The Faculty Senate held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 8, 2007, in Plaster Student Union, Room 313. Chair Mark Richter called the session to order at 3:31 p.m. Dr. Eric Shade served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: Tami Knotts for Karen Woodall, MGT; and Austra Reinis for Scott Zimmerman, Assistant Professor rank representative.


#### Abstract

Absences: Char Berquist, Graduate Council chair; Paul Blisard, COU; Carmen Boyd, Instructor representative, BMS; Sean Cain, SGA; Andrew Cline, MJF; Martha Finch, REL; Clay Franklin, CSD; Joanne Gordon, CGEIP Chair; Norm Griffith, Staff Senate representative; Teddy Heaton, GSC representative; Frank Kauffman, SWK; Dale Moore, Staff Senate representative; Rich Moore, MIL; Gerald Moseman, EAD; Scott Wallentine, PTE; Gary Ward, SMAT; and Cindy Wilson, Academic Relations Committee chair.

Guests: Kishor Shah, MTH; Paula Kemp, MTH; Rhonda Ridinger, HPER; Lois Shufeldt, MKT; Art Spisak, MCL/Honors College; Beat Kernen, PLS; Lorene Stone, CHPA; Victor Matthews, CHPA; and Nicole Rovig, Registrar's Office.


## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the February Senate session were approved with the following changes presented by Senator Miller:

Bullet point 4 on page 3 should read as follows: "Senator Kaufman felt there was a 'bait and switch' tactic going on and said that the course presented to CGEIP, as reflected in the FGB 150 syllabus and its textbook, contained exclusively self-help topics. However, Senator Kaufman did indicate that the supplemental readings list distributed to Faculty Senate had the makings 'of an excellent social science course.'"

The final bullet point on page 3 should read as follows: "In response to Senator Kaufman's accusation of a 'bait and switch' tactic, Dr. Ragan indicated that readings lists and specific course assignments are typically not incorporated as part of the syllabus, but are supplementary to the syllabus. Dr. Ragan said that FGB 150 meets numerous goals in the Social Sciences Perspective area. The readings list would be updated every semester and presented for CGEIP's scrutiny during the three-year course review process."

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Provost Belinda McCarthy will be meeting with the Faculty Concerns Committee (FCC) on Tuesday, March 27, at 3:30 p.m. in PSU 315 to discuss the results of the recently completed Faculty Concerns Survey. FCC would like to extend an invitation to all interested senators and faculty to attend the meeting.
2. President Nietzel will be presenting to the Faculty Senate on April 19 in Glass 101. His presentation will be on the 2007-2008 budget.
3. The first meeting of the April session will be on April 12 in PSU 313. As has been the tradition for a number of years, we anticipate that a second meeting will be required to complete Senate business, and this is scheduled for April 17 in Glass 102. The April 19 meeting where President Nietzel presents will be solely devoted to the President's presentation and the question-and-answer session afterwards and will hopefully be the last meeting of the April session. No promises, however.

## ADDRESS BY PROVOST BELINDA MCCARTHY

Provost Belinda McCarthy addressed the Senate concerning a number of current initiatives taking place on campus (evaluation of IDS 110 and the capstone course, budget allocations to colleges, addressing inequities, integrating Continuing Education budget into the colleges, generated credit hours, teaching load study, addressing Faculty Concerns Survey results, increasing research support, etc.) and answered questions from Senate members after her presentation.

## REPORT FROM SENATE NOMINATING COMMITTEE CONCERNING NOMINEES FOR 2007/08 CHAIRPERSON-ELECT AND SECRETARY OF THE FACULTY

Chair Richter reported that the Senate Nominating Committee's two nominees for 2007/08 Chairperson-elect are Pauline Nugent from Modern \& Classical Languages and Joe Hulgus from Counseling. The two nominees for Secretary of the Faculty are Rebecca Woodard from Health, PE \& Recreation and Melanie Grand from Applied Consumer Sciences. No nominations from the floor were received. Chair Richter reminded Senate members that nominations could be submitted in writing (with an appropriate second) to the Secretary of the Faculty no later than April 1. All nominees must be tenured faculty members and must have served at least one year in the Faculty Senate during the previous six years.

A candidate forum will be held after the announcements and approval of the minutes at the April 12 Senate meeting. According to the Bylaws, candidates "shall submit a statement of purpose not to exceed 300 words to the Faculty Senate office for distribution no later than April 3."

## ELECTION OF FACULTY-STUDENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES

Ballots were distributed to vote for three faculty members from a slate of twelve nominees (two from each college) for the Faculty-Student Judicial Commission. Faculty members elected for two-year terms to the Commission were Dan Kaufman from Philosophy and John Havel from Biology. There was a three-way tie for the third FSJC faculty member among Andrew Childs from Music, Melody LaPreze from Management, and Mary Ann Jennings from School of Social Work.

## REPORT FROM RULES COMMITTEE

Dr. Julie Masterson, chair of the Rules Committee, presented the following recommendations for amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty: (1) make the ad hoc Faculty Personnel Management Committee a standing committee of the Faculty Senate; (2) allow academic units located outside of Missouri to appoint an individual eligible for membership to serve as their representative; (3) modify the Bylaws so that a faculty member may fulfill the responsibilities of a past-chair unless
appointed to a full-time administrative position; (4) require that three faculty members serve on the Judicial Review Committee and four faculty members serve on the Senate Executive Committee; (5) if the past-chair is ineligible or unable to fill his or her responsibilities, the next most immediate pastchair will fulfill those duties; and (6) all references to the University College should be removed from the Bylaws, with curricular issues involving Honors courses to be handled by the Honors Committee. Curricular proposals involving IDS courses will need to go to the Committee on General Education \& Intercollegiate Programs for approval.

Lois Shufeldt suggested an editorial change (accepted) in the wording of the second item, so, if approved, the paragraph to be inserted in ART I, SEC 1, would read:

All academic departments/schools physically located outside the State of Missouri can designate a current faculty member from the Springfield campus to represent them in all areas of concern. By definition, this right shall be, but is not limited to, for representation on the Faculty Senate, the Faculty Concerns Committee, and College Council.

In response to the third recommendation by the Rules Committee, Dr. Shufeldt questioned at what point a faculty member should be considered an administrator. To be eligible to serve on the Faculty Senate, she felt a Senate member should have 51 percent faculty alignment. One way to determine that would be whether the faculty member attends Academic Administrator Assembly meetings. Senator Kaufman thought it would be good for the Faculty Senate to have administrators as part of its membership and that it would be okay for department heads to serve on the Senate.

As required by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty, Senate members will vote by secret ballot without discussion on the above Bylaws amendments at the next regularly scheduled Faculty Senate session.

## ACTION ON CURRICULAR PROPOSALS

Dr. Michael Hendrix, chair of the Budget \& Priorities Committee, reported that the committee had approved the new programs below.

1. New minor in Computer Science, Bachelor of Arts - moved by Senator Martin; seconded by Senator Haytko. The motion was approved by voice vote and will go forward as Senate Action 22-06/07.
2. New minor in Entrepreneurial Studies - moved by Senator Knotts (substituting for Senator Woodall); seconded by Senator Callahan. The motion was approved by voice vote and will go forward as Senate Action 23-06/07.
3. New undergraduate certificate program in Entrepreneurship - moved by Senator Knotts; seconded by Senator Haytko. The motion was approved by voice vote and will go forward as Senate Action 24-06/07.
4. Program deletion: Art and Design (Non-Comprehensive), B.S. in Education - moved by Senator Hughes; seconded by Senator Nugent. The motion to delete the program was approved by voice vote and will go forward as Senate Action 25-06/07.
5. Program deletion: Minor in Art and Design, B.S. in Education - moved by Senator Hughes; seconded by Senator Nugent. The motion to delete the minor was approved by voice vote and will go forward as Senate Action 26-06/07.
RESOLUTION ON ENDOWED ALUMNI PROFESSORSHIP
Senator Fuqua moved and Senator Pearl seconded a resolution expressing gratitude and appreciation for an Endowed Alumni Professorship in Reproductive Biology in the College of Natural and Applied Sciences established by an anonymous donor. The motion was approved and will go forward as Senate Resolution 20-06/07.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Senator Kaufman moved and Senator Herr seconded a resolution opposing the purchase of the TurnItIn plagiarism detection program. After discussion, Senator Weaver moved the previous question (seconded by Senator Rovey), which was approved by voice vote. The above motion opposing the purchase of the program failed by voice vote. Senator Rovey moved and Senator Chesman seconded a resolution endorsing the purchase of the TurnItIn program. After discussion, Senator Miller moved and Senator Weaver seconded a motion to move the previous question, which was approved by voice vote. By a show of hands, the motion passed with 19 to 12. It will go forward as Senate Resolution 21-06/07.

Senator Miller moved and Senator Nugent seconded a motion to conduct a straw poll of faculty. After discussion, Senator Shoptaugh moved the previous question (seconded by Senator Swearingen), and by voice vote the motion was approved. The main motion to conduct the straw poll was also approved. Chair Richter encouraged Senate members to discuss this issue with their constituents. He plans to send an e-mail message next week to all full-time faculty asking them to vote on the issue at a polling site accessed on the Faculty Senate's web page.

## NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

## ADJOURNMENT

Chair Richter adjourned the meeting at $4: 57$ p.m. The next regularly scheduled Faculty Senate meeting will be on Thursday, April 12, beginning at 3:30 p.m. in Plaster Student Union, Room 313.

Edward J. DeLong
Secretary of the Faculty

Right of Challenge Expires April 9, 2007

## New Minor in Computer Science, Bachelor of Arts

A complete copy of the above curricular proposal can be viewed in the Faculty Senate office.

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## New Minor in Entrepreneurial Studies

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## New Undergraduate Certificate Program in Entrepreneurship

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## Program deletion: Art and Design (Non-Comprehensive), Bachelor of Science in Education

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## Program deletion: Minor in Art and Design Bachelor of Science in Education

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## Resolution on Endowed Alumni Professorship in Reproductive Biology in the College of Natural \& Applied Sciences

Whereas, a generous gift from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous will establish the Endowed Alumni Professorship in Reproductive Biology in the College of Natural and Applied Sciences at Missouri State University;

Whereas, endowed faculty positions are a direct investment in academic programs and faculty and help to support core functions in teaching, research and service;

Whereas, endowed faculty positions are a reflection of confidence in Missouri State University and its faculty;

Whereas, endowed faculty positions help to attract and retain the best faculty and lead to greater educational opportunities for students; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Faculty of Missouri State University expresses its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the donors for their generous gift of an endowed professor position; be it further

Resolved, that this resolution be presented to the Administration of Missouri State University and the Board of Governors of Missouri State University; and, be it further

Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be presented to the donors in such a way as to honor their anonymity.

## Resolution Endorsing the Purchase of TurnItIn Plagiarism Detection Program

Resolved, that the Faculty Senate endorses purchasing the TurnItIn plagiarism detection program.

