

Faculty Senate Minutes

March 24, 2011

4:00 pm in ELC 405

Senators in Attendance: Nathan Barker, Steve Barney, David Berri, Robin Boneck, Gerald Calvasina (proxy for Wayne Roberts), Emily Dean, Richard Eissinger (also acting as proxy for Phil Roche), Fred Govedich, Alan Hamlin, Randle Hart, Michael Harvey, Derek Hein, Bruce Howard, Lawrence Johnson, Rachel Kirk (also acting as proxy for John Howell), Michael Ostrowsky, Alan Pearson, Tony Pellegrini, Julie Taylor, Nichole Wangsgard.

Visitors: Matthew Montgomery, Abraham Hunt, Jerry Reeder, Joe Baker

1. Call to Order (4:01)
2. Approval of Minutes
Motioned and Seconded - Motion Carried
3. Provost's Report on Legislature (Brad Cook)
 - a. Final higher education budget cut 2% approved
 - b. Senate Bill 6: State employees contribute at least 10% toward Health Insurance
 - c. Total tuition increase of 11% - Proposed 20 faculty positions, 3 advisors, mission related expenses, rank advancement.
 - d. No cost of living salary increases this year – equity (80%) and merit (20%) only
Joe Baker chairing committee to determine equity benchmarks
4. President's Report:
 - a. Dean's and Trustees Meeting
 - Policy 6.2 approved by Dean's
 - Adjunct Faculty resource center/office space being planned
 - b. List of "Challenging" courses for Freshmen – may help with advising
 - c. Policy 6.9 (overload/consulting) update: Bill Byrnes will head a committee to separate teaching & consulting sections for further review
5. Donna Eddleman
 - a. Parking Discussion
 - i. Exploring ways to fund campus parking...anticipating designation of Parking Office as an auxiliary organization (self-supporting).
 - ii. Proposing a \$15 annual parking fee for faculty/staff or SUU license plate.
 - iii. Feedback requested: Budget for Parking Office requested, student price increasing to \$15 annually as well. SUU plates may evolve into a "preferred" parking privilege rather than unlimited parking on campus.

- iv. Short Term Pay Parking lot was previously discussed but is apparently no longer being seriously considered – cost and loss of convenient parking for current faculty/staff/students.
- v. Potential new parking lot east of new science building.

b. Academic Integrity

- i. Supported by Dean's Council and reviewed by Michael Carter.
- ii. "Cheating" initially addressed in classroom by instructor.
- iii. If violation is appealed – new policy requires that the allegation is addressed from a centralized location for consistency across campus and better communication regarding individual student patterns of behavior.
- iv. Request for clarification on steps required of faculty.

6. Policy 6.2 – Final wording changes: approved at Dean's Council

7. Policy 6.27 – Online ICH defined (Richard Eissinger)

III. Policies & Definitions

D. Faculty Assignments and Instructional Delivery Guidelines per Semester and Course.

2. Per Course

g. Contact hours for online classes will be calculated in the same manner as for face to face classes.

8. Policy 6.31: Academic Standards

Motion to approve: Fred Govedich, Seconded

Passed with one abstention

9. Senate By-Laws Updates (Katy Herbold, Steve Barney)

Update on Committee terms:

Three year terms approved previously updated in the by-laws

Term change: "medicate" should be "mediate"

Motion to approve: Robin Boneck, Seconded

Passed unanimously

Election process in the event President and/or President Elect must be replaced prior to the end of their term.

Motion to approve: Michael Ostrowsky, Seconded

Passed unanimously

10. Senate Budget Report (Robin Boneck)

Expense Account - \$695

Senate Gift Account - \$4587

4 scholarships planned of \$1000 each

Faculty Organization Account - \$5847

11. Send names of new senators and their respective terms (along with who they are replacing) to Julie Taylor (taylorj@suu.edu) so that Senate webpage can be updated. The new senators will formally be invited to attend the Faculty Senate meeting on April 28.

12. Other Business

Steve Barney making sure standing committees have senate representation

13. Motion for Executive Session

Motioned and Seconded - Approved

14. Motion to Adjourn

Next General Faculty Senate Meeting: April 28, 2011, ELC 405, 4:00 pm