

**FACULTY SENATE MEETING  
MARCH 6, 2008  
APPROVED MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 2:30 p.m. in the Mississippi/Illinois Room of the Morris University Center by Kay Covington, President.

Present: Agustin, Anop, Baier, Blankson, Breck, Carstens-Wickham, Covington, Dixon, Duvernell, Fahsl, Foster, Fujinoki, Gillespie, Hale, Hanson, Hershberger, Harward, Kerber, Ketchum, LaFond, Latorre, Love, McAndrews, Navin, O'Brien, Pettibone, Puchner, Rowland, Seltzer, Shaw, Staples, Szabo, Taylor, Timpe, Theodore, Thomason, Watson, Welch, Weyhaupt, Wiediger, Rehg for Willmott, Wrobbel, Dooly for Wu, Yancey, T. Yu, B. Zhou, J. Zhou

Absent: AbuSharbain, Keene, McCommas, Milsk-Fowler, Pietroburgo, Rose-Green, W. Yu

Guests: Eric Ruckh

1.     **Announcements:**  
The Faculty Grievance Policy will be a Discussion Item, not an Action Item.
2.     **Consideration of Minutes:**  
February 7, 2008 –Minutes were approved.
3.     **Discussion of BRIDGE-**Jennifer Rehg and Eric Ruckh lead a discussion and answered questions about the BRIDGE proposal.
4.     **Action Items:**
  - A. **WC#13-07/08-Sabbatical Leave Policy-**Laurie Puchner reviewed the revised Sabbatical Leave Policy. The Faculty Senate asked for some clarifications by the Welfare Council. The Sabbatical Leave Policy was removed as an Action Item and sent to the Welfare Council.
  - B. **WC#14-07/08-Policy for Retired and Emerti Faculty Members-**Laurie Puchner discussed and answered questions about this new policy. The Policy was approved.
  - C. **Results of the Ombuds Search-**Seran Aktuna was approved as the new Ombuds.
  - D. **Levels Taskforce Report-**This report serves as a catalyst and general guide for faculty discussions related to curriculum planning and development, and the report should be placed on the Faculty Senate website as a resource for faculty. The report and the statement were approved.

**4. Reports from Standing Committees:**

**A. UPBC:**

John Navin reported that we received the Governor's budget and there was **no** increase for the SIU System.

Correction 4-3-08
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**B. IBHE Faculty Advisory Council:**

Martha Latorre reminded the Senate to review the report that she sent in February.

**C. Technology Advisory Council:**

Hiroshi Fujinki-No report.

**5. Report from Council Chairs:**

- a. Curriculum Council – Kathy Ketchum indicated that the Curriculum Council individually approved all five recommendations of the BRIDGE proposal and approved the Suggestions at the end of the document.
- b. Graduate Council – David Duvernell-No Report
- c. Faculty Development Council – Marjorie Baier
- d. Rules and Procedures- Mary Sue Love reported that the Senator Election information has been sent to the Schools and College. Also, the council will be conducting the evaluation of the Chancellor and the Provost.
- e. Welfare Council – Laurie Puchner reviewed and answered questions about the Faculty Grievance Policy.
- f. Past-President – Susan Breck The Teacher Scholar Model Taskforce is continuing to review the feedback from faculty.
- g. President Elect – No report.

**6. New Business:**

a. Separation of SIUE from the SIU System-A motion was made by Tom Foster that the Faculty Senate form a taskforce to gather facts on the issues related to separation from the SIU System. Steve Kerber seconded the motion. The motion was approved (21-yes, 6-no, 0 abstention).

**7. Old Business:**

**8. Other Business:**

A motion by Greg Fields was made to reopen the discussion about the Faculty Listserv. Jerry O'Brien seconded the motion. Kathy Ketchum made a motion to allow Robert Ware to speak to the Faculty Senate for 3-5 minutes. Laurie Puchner seconded the motion. The motion was approved. The Senate discussed the Faculty Listserv. Larry LaFond made a motion to call the question and Kathy Ketchum seconded the motion. The motion passed. The motion to reopen the discussion about the Faculty Listserv failed (2-yes, 17-no, 3-abstention).

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.