The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 2:34 p.m. in the Mississippi/Illinois room of the Morris University Center by Kay Covington, President.


Absent: Keene, Milsk-Fowler, Pietroburgo, Rose-Green, Taylor, Willmott, W. Yu

Kay thanked Susan Breck, Past President for her last three years of service to the Faculty Senate, the Executive Committee and all the Senators. Fields thanked Kay for her service as President.

1. **Announcements:** Kathy Ketchum announced a list of approved undergraduate courses and program changes from the Curriculum Council.

2. **Consideration of Minutes:** April 3, 2008 – Corrections were made to the minutes. A motion was made by Peter Theodore and seconded by Mary Sue Love. The minutes were approved with corrections.

3. **Action items:**
   
   A. **CC#2-07/08 – Curriculum Council Operating Papers.** Kathy Ketchum introduced the changes to the Curriculum Council Operating Papers, and after a discussion the item was approved.

   B. **WC#12-07/08 – Faculty Grievance Policy.** Laurie Puchner reviewed the revision that went back to the Welfare Council for clarification and asked for questions regarding the other revisions. There were no questions. The Faculty Grievance Policy was approved.

4. **Reports from the Standing Committee**
   
   A. **UPBC** – John Navin had no report.

   B. **IBHE Faculty Advisory Council** – Martha Latorre had no report.

   C. **Technology Advisory Council** – Hiroshi Fujinki had no report.

5. **Reports from Council Chairs**
   
   A. **Curriculum Council** – Kathy Ketchum gave report. School of Nursing Program review was approved. General Education Committee member appointments will have to go through the Provost. Kathy will send emails out to Business, CAS and the Library regarding the appointments.
B. Graduate Council – Dave Duvernell announced that Graduate Council meets tomorrow.

C. Faculty Development Council – Marjorie Baier took a survey regarding All Faculty Day with a discussion. Marjorie reported about the subgroup that will meet this summer to plan the fall faculty symposium. Marjorie reported that the Governance Web Site has been updated with the approved FDC operating papers.

D. Rules and Procedures Council – Mary Sue Love gave the bi-annual report to the Faculty Senate. Mary Sue reported the finalization of the changes made to Dean’s four year evaluation document. It will be on the Web Site. Mary Sue requested that everyone see that the election results for their schools’ Faculty Senators be sent to her, so they can be updated for the upcoming school year. The Chancellor and Provost evaluations are closed for this year.

E. Welfare Council – Laurie Puchner reported that the 2007 Ombuds annual report was accepted by the Welfare Council and is up on the Ombuds Web Site. Laurie reported future agenda items for next year. 1. Family Friendly Task Force, 2. Definition of Family in the Faculty Handbook, 3. Graduate School policy of paying traveling funds of co-authored conference papers, 4. Retiree health benefits. 5. Another item for next year is to coordinate create operating papers for the Faculty Grievance Committee

F. Past President – no report

G. President Elect – no report

6. New Business- Mary Sue Love announced the new Council Chairs. The new Chairs for the Councils to be ratified are; Graduate Council Chair Stephanie McAndrews, Rules and Procedures Chair Mary Sue Love, Faculty Development Chair George Watson, Curriculum Council Tom Foster. There is not a Chair for the Welfare Council yet. Mike Shaw made a motion for approval of the Chairs. Duff Wrobbel seconded. In the discussion Kay reported that the Welfare Council Chair would be announced later. The motion was approved.

7. Old Business – Mary Sue Love announced the new President Elect, Allison Fahsl. Kay reported that the Gender Equity Study documents are being reviewed and the Provost said they should be ready in a few days. Listserv was approved by the Senate and has been through a dry run by OIT. Kay reported that the Chancellor’s Council is in the process of making a recommendation of the moderators. The Listserv is split between Administrative and Faculty/Staff. The change will not take effect until the fall semester.

  Greg Fields made a motion that the Faculty Senate should establish a permanent committee called Faculty Salary Equity Committee or a title similar to that. Lisa Welch seconded. Information in the form of a document was handed out. The Senate had a discussion and questions were answered. The motion was approved.

  The BRIDGE Implementation Committee has been charged by the Provost and Kay. Paul Bronkaw will be establishing meeting times and getting that group together. As a result of the Senate voting to establish a Task Force, a committee has been formed
to investigate the relationship of the SIU System. The committee which consists of four members are; John Navin, Stephen Kerber, Kurt Smith and Joel Hardman with Joel Hardman being the Chair.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

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