

**Faculty Senate Minutes**  
**Riggle Room**  
**Morehead, KY**  
**November 6, 2014**

**Call to Order:** 4:12p.m.

**Senators:** Ritta Abell, Annie Adams, David Butz, Katy Carlson, Ophelia Chapman, Doug Chatham, Timothy Conner, Marcia Cooper, Verdie Craig, Jennifer Dearden, (Excused Absence) Mattie Decker, Nathan Dishman, Christine Emrich, Vanessa Flannery, (Excused Absence) Michael Fultz, Lynn Geurin, Cyndi Gibbs, Gina Gonzalez, Timothy Hare, Kenneth Henderson, John Hennen, Julia Hypes, Nilesh Joshi, Rebecca Katz, (Excused Absence) Thomas Kiffmeyer, Donna Kizzier, Jennifer Little, Brian Mason, Rus May, Beverly McCormick, Lee Nabb, (Excused Absence) Sam Nataraj, Sean O'Keefe, Clarendia Phillips (Sitting in for Provost, ex officio), Steven Reid, Gilbert Remillard, Sandra Riegle, Brent Rogers, Chad Rogers, Robert Royar (Chair), Kim Sharp, Bo Shi, Joyce Stubbs, Sherry Surmont (Secretary), Cathy Thomas, and Yuqiu You (Excused Absence)

**Senators Absent Are Underlined Above**

**Announcements:** Next meeting – November 20, 2014 this meeting will be a full meeting, not devoted to a senate committee caucus meeting.

**Senate Actions:**

**Motion:** To Approve 9/4/14 Faculty Senate Minutes (Senator Abell)

**Vote:** Approved

**Motion:** To fill At-Large vacancy in Promotion Committee with Senator McCormick (Senator Chatham on behalf of the Governance Committee)

**Vote:** Approved

**Motion:** To fill BUS vacancy in Tenure Committee with Brian Reeder (Senator Chatham on behalf of the Governance Committee)

**Vote:** Approved

**Motion:** To approve the description changes to Research and Creative Productions Committee (Senator Chatham on behalf of the Governance Committee)

**Vote:** Approved

**Motion:** To approve the description and title change to Professional Development Committee (Senator Chatham on behalf of the Governance Committee)

**Vote:** Approved

**Reports:**

Provost Dr. Phillips representing the Provost

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- Assessment/Testing Director has interviewed two qualified candidates, references are being check and hopes are to extend an offer next week.
- Early College
  - The Assistant VP of Academic Affairs and Student Success will lead up Early College
  - Legislature has charged CPE to draft a Dual Credit policy and is in the development stages

**GEC**

- FYS Assessments will begin on November 17th
- FYS Learning Community will meet November 11<sup>th</sup> and 12th
- FYS will have a semester Thank you dinner in December
- FYS will use a new textbook
- A report has been generated comparing FYS in other institutions and the conclusions were that FYS is housed in Academic Affairs and not in Academic Programs.
- QEP will eventually be moving into other courses other than FYS on a voluntary basis

**TEC**

- The TEC is discussing the use of PRAXIS on entrance and exit basis.

**Governance**

- See above Senate Actions

**Welfare and Concerns**

- PAC 27 revisions (first reading) Q&A

**Academic Issues**

- Early College retention rate – a comparison of academic years and students in developmental courses
- The committee is reading literature about faculty roles in retention and plan to present a brief report to the Faculty Senate.

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**Evaluation**

- Blue student evaluations highlights
  - Questions can be customized
  - Can be integrated into current MSU database to analyze demographics
  - Costs \$17,000 – 23,000 comparable to IDEA
  - U of L and UK are using it
  - Evaluations can be given online or on paper
- Reviewing Hanover research of Course Evaluation Tools and Practices

**Issues**

- Previewed presentation to be given about their research on Shared Governance
  - Lay foundational knowledge
  - Identify key players
  - Characterize what Shared Governance would look like at MSU

**Meeting Adjourned:** 5:35 PM

**Minutes Taken By:** Sherry Surmont, Faculty Senate Secretary