

MUW Faculty Senate

August 23, 2013

(Approval Pending)

Members Present : Royal Toy, Marie Byrne, David Cater, Kimberly Dorsey, Randall Foxworth, Terri Hamill, Alexei Huguley, Beverly Joyce, Youn Mi Lee, Jjiben Roy (for Xiaoxia Li), Andrew Luccasen, Paul Mack, Rusty King (for Deborah Miranda), Richard Montalto, Clara Rustin, Barry Smith, and Nancy Wheeley.

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by President Royal Toy.
2. Approval of minutes: David Carter made a motion that we approve the minutes of the April 26th meeting. Andrew Luccasen seconded the motion, and it carried.
3. New Business :
 - a. Revised Mission Statement—The Mission Statement has been revised to include the Doctoral program in the School of Nursing. This was done after the academic year was finished in May. The revision had to be done before the end of June, so there was limited time for feedback. There will probably be further changes to the Mission Statement.
 - a. We should be aware of situations where things may be slipped by the Faculty, with the excuse of “Time is short” as this sets a precedent for these issues.
 - b. Hearing Panel Pool—The Senate needs to submit 6 names (3 male, 3 female) from across campus (no administrators) to be put in a pool of names to be used for grievance hearings, etc. We can ask our colleagues for suggested names. All suggested names need to be turned in to Royal Toy by Wednesday, August 28th.
 - c. Commencement “Marshall Opportunity”—The Senate can designate 2 faculty members to “marshall” the faculty for the December, and both May ceremonies. This would involve the line of march and seating of faculty members participating in these 3 ceremonies. This is another area where we can get suggested names from our colleagues.
4. Requests for Funding—We have not received a dollar amount from the Provost yet. It should be \$5000 per year. The Fund B money should be for things such as development of a new course.
5. Updates
 - a. Administrative Council: Met in May. Discussed the Budget. There is some money for some salary increases. Some has been allocated for Facilities (roofing, paving, building additions and upgrades, fireproofing, and asbestos removal). There is a change in the recruitment process. The plans will be in place by December, and will include dropping “W” days. The writing phase, prior to the SACS visit, will be completed on August 23rd.

- b. Monthly meeting with the President—discussed enrollment, center for teaching and learning, and directions for the upcoming year.
- 6. Old Business
 - a. Senate Charge—E-mail Royal with ideas. We want to have a strong voice.
- 7. Announcements
 - a. Our Spring Break will not be at the same time as the local schools, due to the SACS schedule.
 - b. NEXT MEETING: September 27, 2013 at 12:15 p.m.

The Senate meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.