Faculty Senate Minutes

December 14, 2012

1. Call to Order: Jim Heflin called the meeting to order 3:00pm.
2. Roll Call:
   b. Absent: Andra Hunt, Jeff Taylor, Frankie White, Rebecca Easley, Mary Penick.
3. Approve November 9th, 2012 Minutes:
   a. Jim Heflin called for the approval of the minutes for November 9th, 2012. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Early Alert.
   a. 73% of the faculty are using Early Alert. Encouraged to go to the departments and promote the usage of Early Alert.
5. Committee Reports.
   a. Faculty Senate Committees
      i. Academic Standards and Policies Committees: No report
      ii. Faculty Committee: Presented a "Motion to Instruct" concerning the Non-Tenure Track Faculty. Faculty Committee is seeking support from Faculty Senate to prepare a full proposal: 1) Erect the non-tenure track position of Lecturer and Senior Lecturer, 2) Establish criteria for eligibility, 3) Establish criteria for promotion and 4) Recommend a commensurate salary increase. Handout on “instructions for posting Faculty Senate Committee Minutes.”
      iii. Fringe Benefits and Retirement Committee: Met and Lynda Robinson reported.
      v. Rules Committee: Met in December 2012 and voted to authorize Chris Keller to officiate spring 2013 campus vote. Motion was made and seconded.
   b. University Standing Committees
      i. Academic Appeals Committee: No report
      ii. Curriculum Committee: No report
iii. Faculty Development Committee: No report
iv. General Education Committee: See 6 below
v. Graduate Council Committee: No report
vi. Information Technology Advisory Committee: No report
vii. Intercollegiate Athletics Committee: No report
viii. Lecture and Concerts Committee: No report
ix. President’s Planning Committee: No report
x. Recruitment Committee: Met on December 11th, 2012. Discussed the importance of communication with the departments to enhance enrollment and expand area of recruitment.
xii. Research Committee: Met 2 weeks prior to this meeting and approved proposals.
xii. Student Services Committee: Met
xiii. Teacher Education Council: No report
xiv. Teaching and Learning Committee: No report

6. General Education Committee
   a. Minutes from the General Education Committee was distributed. A discussion of the composition of the General Education Committee pursed. A motion was made to have Faculty Committee look further into this issue. Seconded and passed.

7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Adjourn Meeting; 3:25pm