

Meeting Minutes – BSC Faculty Senate

Location: Google Meet

Date: March 21, 2022

Time: 3:15pm

Attendance:

Vanessa Godfrey, Kelli Sarver, Bill Bennett, Rodney Montague, Amy Atwell, Sarah Beth Miles, Deb Chakrabarti, Adrian Ayersman, Mike Lilly, Diane Belcher, Sean Connolly, Young Kim, Roy Pruett, Amanda Quesenberry, James Quesenberry, Scott Rasnick, Bonnie Reese, Darrel Malamisura; Faculty Senate Chair.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Darrel Malamisura, Faculty Senate Chair at 3:18 pm. Bill Bennett moved to accept the minutes, Mike Lilly seconds the motion. The previous minutes were approved, with no corrections.

Committee Reports:

1. **Curriculum:** Met last week, had 12 proposals, all but 2 were approved. Those were tabled for additional information. One was from the Education School for a certificate program and the other was the Public Relations and Communications Concentration. The final curriculum meeting of the semester will be 4/7. The comment was made that several proposals were voted on in mass from one particular school. Darrel stated that the senate will not vote on proposals unless the schools vote on them one-by-one. The faculty handbook will be reviewed for the correct process of sending proposals to curriculum and will be discussed in the next senate meeting.
2. **Assessment:** Has not met
3. **Planning and Budget:** Has not met
4. **Professional Development:** Has not met.
5. **Promotion and Tenure:** All guidelines and timelines have been sent out and all submissions need to be turned in by 4/1. All schools will vote on their faculty applying for promotion/tenure by 4/8. The P & T committee will then vote on 4/15.
6. **Faculty Right and Responsibilities:** Has not met
7. **Student Academic Appeals:** Has not met
8. **Enrollment Management Council:** Has not met
9. **BOG:** Discussion on university status and the Board passage rates for SNAH. The question was asked if there had been any discussion about the progress of Heritage Village. Mike Lilly stated that he had made inquiries due to financial issues, but was told there were none. He is not sure why the construction has stopped.
10. **College Council:** Met 3 weeks ago. Mr. Benjamin discussed which buildings on campus would receive work.
11. **Student Disciplinary Appeals:** Has not met

ACF: Mike Lilly stated he had sent the senate a special report on various bills that have passed and didn't pass last year. He stated that 2200 bills introduced in the past year and 232 made it through votes, but not all of these passed. The WV Senate passed Bill 483 which is the Anti-Racism bill, but when it moved to the House, it was not voted on in time. The bill to merge Pierpont into Fairmont State did not pass. A state funding bill was passed, but he is not

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aware of the new formula. A state budget bill was passed. He stated that for many years, the soda tax has gone to fund the WVU Medical School, Marshall Medical School and the Osteopathic School. This year that has been done away with. There is now a tax on car insurance premiums, but not sure what that funds. A bill for a new grievance policy for public employees did not pass. Concord University received \$1.5 million to develop a nursing program. BSC is on a fast track to receive university status. The last BOG meeting they discussed that they were sent a letter from HEPC to send them an application for status by the previous Friday to be put on agenda.

Old Business:

Darrel stated that the questions that were sent to Mr. Benjamin and Mr. Shaffer have not been answered. They have not contacted him as of the start of the meeting.

Shane Reviello, SGA president, contacted Darrel and they are currently not ready to submit the document about student fees.

Darrel said that he sent the letter to administration about Title 9. He says to date, he has not heard anything from them.

New Business:

Darrel stated that it was time for faculty senate to make nominations for Faculty of the Year. It is also time for elections for the fall 2022 faculty senate members. The final two meetings of the semester will be 4/4 and 4/18.

Darrel stated that he recently had a meeting with President Capehart and he has requested that the faculty senate make a few resolutions: one that we commend the BOG when we receive university status and one for athletics for the first full year.

The question was asked that due to the status of Heritage Village and the college requiring incoming freshmen to stay on campus, would there be a place for them to stay. Mike Lilly stated that Ron Shidemantle said he was promised 32 beds for incoming freshmen.

Closed Session:

Roy Pruett made a motion to go into closed session, Bill Bennett seconds the motion. All were in favor, none were opposed.

Adjournment:

At this time with no other issues, Darrel asked for a motion to adjourn. Kelli Sarver made a motion to adjourn, Roy Pruett seconds the motion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:01 pm.

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