

TASK FORCE INITIATIVES

FOCUS	DESCRIPTION	FIRST MEETING
FACULTY RECOGNITION/AWARDS	Establish criteria for faculty recognition/faculty awards. Provide input for faculty engagement/appreciation events	Wednesday, Sept 13 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Mahood conf. room (room 121)
PROMOTION & TENURE POST-TENURE	Establish objective evaluation criteria and structured deadlines for each phase of the promotion/tenure/post-tenure process	Friday, September 15 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Boyd conf. room (Conley Hall)
FACULTY CREDENTIALS/ QUALIFICATIONS	Development of a written policy that determines the qualifications and credentials needed for faculty in the different Colleges/Schools in addition to establishing objective criteria for the different academic ranks	Friday, September 22 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Mahood conf room (room 121)
FACULTY CONTRACTS	Discussion of global issues regarding faculty contracts and developing recommendations to address potential contract issues in the future	Friday, September 22 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Boyd conf room (Conley Hall)
FACULTY WORKLOAD	Discussion of workload issues such as minimum class size, balance of prep time, timeline for assignment of classes and developing recommendations for appropriate faculty workloads in the different Colleges/Schools	Monday, September 18 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Mahood conf room (room 121)
FACULTY HANDBOOK	Update/modernize faculty handbook to make it more technologically relevant and user-friendly and that would include the development of policies and procedures the faculty deem appropriate	Wednesday, September 20 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Mahood conf room (room 121)
PROFESSIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT	Establishment of professional guidelines for interpersonal communication and relationships	Friday, September 15 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Mahood conf room (room 121)
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE	Investigate opportunities and challenges in higher education for utilizing AI	

Each task force will meet for the first time at designated day/time/location outlined above. At this first meeting, each group will designate a chair and negotiate future meeting arrangements.

Each group will be expected to submit a progress report via email (jorr@bluefieldstate.edu) to the chair at least 24 hours prior to the October and November meetings which will be distributed to the faculty with the new agenda.

Accept The Challenge