

Faculty Senate
Corrected Minutes
Wednesday, September 25, 2013
3:00 p.m.
Classroom Building 118

Corrected at Faculty Senate Meeting, October 9

I. Call to order

Sen. Moretti called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Attending:

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| Daniel Althoff | William Fridley |
| Martin Bressler | Layne Heitz |
| Dennis Brewster | Jennifer Hicks |
| Han-Sheng Chen | George Jacox |
| Riley Coker | Alistair Maer |
| Kay Daigle | John Mischo |
| Diane Dixon | Christopher Moretti |
| Blythe Duell | Hal Poovey |
| Tristan Eggener | Krista Ramírez |
| Brett Elliott | Rhonda Richards |
| Steven Emge | Jacob Wallace |

Not attending:

Robert Stevens
 Jerry Stout

II. Approval of minutes from the meeting on May 1, 2013

The following corrections to the Minutes for May 1, 2013 were made:

Sen. Althoff: to include the name of Diane Dixon among those attending
 Sen. Dixon: to correct the names of the co-chairs of the Planning Committee to Coker and Hardgrove (from Coker and Daigle)
 to note that the vote described in Section III.E. (Committee Reports, Planning Committee) was actually to rescind the motion passed and described in Section III.D (Committee Reports, Personnel Policies Committee)

Sen. Coker: Motion to approve the Minutes as amended

Sen. Maer: Motion seconded.

Motion approved (16 in favor, no opposed, no abstentions)

III. Introduction of New Senators

The Senators introduced themselves to the other Senators present, with a special welcome to the newly elected or re-elected Senators:

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| Dennis Brewster | (EBS – Behavioral Sciences) |
| Han-Sheng Chen | (JMSB – Accounting and Finance) |
| Riley Coker | (A&S – Art, Communication, and Theatre) |
| Blythe Duell | (EBS – Behavioral Sciences) |
| Tristan Eggener | (A&S – Music) |
| Layne Heitz | (A&S – Mathematics) |
| Jennifer Hicks | (EBS – Behavioral Sciences) |
| Hal Poovey | (A&S – Occupational Safety and Health) |

IV. Officer Elections

The following Faculty Senate officer positions were filled by acclamation:

Parliamentarian: Hal Poovey
Recorder: Daniel Althoff
Treasurer: Dennis Brewster

V. Survey for Faculty Senate Subcommittees

A form was distributed to Senators so they could indicate their preferences for serving on Faculty Senate Committees, i.e. University Affairs, Personnel Policies, Planning Committee, Committee on Committees, and Budget Committee.

Appointments will be made and notices sent by email prior to the next Senate meeting.

A motion was made by Sen. Poovey to set the dates of future Faculty Senate meetings for every other Wednesday for the rest of the academic year 2013-14, viz.,

October 9 and **23**
 November 6 and 20
 December 4
 January 15 and 29
 February 12 and 26
 March 12 and 26
 April 9 and 23

Motion seconded by Sen. Coker
Motion approved unanimously.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Committee on Committees

Sen. Wallace recommended the following three appointments: **Wilma Shires** to Academic Appeals; **Glenn Melancon** to Institutional Assessment; and **Deborah Hailey** to Honors Committee.

Sen. Dixon moved that the appointments be approved.

Sen. Elliott seconded the motion.

The motion was approved unanimously.

B. Executive Committee

Sens. Moretti and Dixon reported that the Executive Committee met once during the summer. Topics discussed included dates for Shared Governance Forum (the President's health issues made this difficult to pin down); the presentation on Tenure & Promotion. Sen. Moretti also met personally with the President following up on T&P, the upcoming visit from HLC (Higher Learning Commission), the Honors program, difficulties students have in enrolling for face-to-face classes. Sen. Moretti is waiting to hear from the Registrar, Kristie Luke, on a proposal from her on how to award graduation honors (cum laude, magna cum laude, summa cum laude). The question is to whether to award graduation honors based on a fixed GPA or to select a percentage of each graduating class for each level of honors.

VII. New Business**A. Forum on Shared Governance: Monday, October 7th at 2:00 p.m.**

Sen. Moretti opened the floor to discussing our topics for the upcoming Shared Governance Forum. Suggestions included: Morale and/or Budget; providing a specific list of “wants” with suggestions on how to achieve them; adjuncts’ insurance and pay; ask President to state what he wants; is there a marketing plan?; faculty survey results.

Sen. Poovey moved to present faculty survey results as points of discussion for the Shared Governance Forum.

Sen. Bressler seconded the motion.

Discussion: Sen. Fridley suggested that each Senator review the survey results and send three to five points of concern to Sen. Moretti by Wednesday, October 2.

The motion was approved: 19 in favor; none opposed; 1 abstention.

B. Martin Bressler – Academic honesty issues in online courses

Sen. Bressler distributed a handout on “Respondus LockDown Browser” software as one possible way of addressing academic honesty in online courses. Sen. Richards added that Aaron Adair had spoken to the Distance Education Council about this issue. Sen. Moretti said that he will invite Aaron Adair and Ellen Hendrix to speak to the Senate on the topic before taking up a resolution in support of purchasing the software for online courses.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Althoff

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Recorder