

Faculty Senate
Minutes
Wednesday, March 26, 2014
3:00 p.m.
Classroom Building 118

I. Call to order

Sen. Moretti called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Attending:

Daniel Althoff	Layne Heitz
Dennis Brewster	Jennifer Hicks
Han-Sheng Chen	George Jacox
Riley Coker	Alistair Maer
Diane Dixon	Christopher Moretti
Blythe Duell	Halet Poovey
Brett Elliott	Krista Ramirez
Steven Emge	Rhonda Richards
William Fridley	Jerry Stout

Not attending:

Martin Bressler
 Kay Daigle
 Tristan Eggener
 John Mischo
 Robert Stevens
 Jacob Wallace

II. Approval of minutes from the meeting on March 12, 2014

Sen. Jacox moved to approve the Minutes.

Sen. Brewster seconded the Motion.

The Motion to approve the Minutes passed: 13 in favor; none opposed; 1 abstention.

III. Committee Reports

A. Personnel Policies Committee: **Sen. Poovey** reported that the committee met on Monday (March 24) and will be bringing proposals to amend the Senate's constitution for purposes of clarification in the next two Senate meetings. (Related to constitutional changes, Sen. Moretti raised the question with the senators of whether the "Chair" of the Faculty Senate should be called the "President" of the Faculty Senate, as he has been inaccurately called "President" several times in the past. Sen. Moretti did not indicate a personal preference for either title.) Sen. Poovey stated that there were several ongoing charges in their portfolio and that it is unlikely the Committee will complete all of them in the time remaining during this academic year. Also noted: feedback regarding the Post-Tenure Review policy will be due in the next two weeks.

B. Planning Committee: **Sen. Coker** reported that voting starts Monday, March 31 and will continue through Monday, April 7.

C. University Affairs Committee: **Sen. Stout** reported that the last Brown Bag Lunch had five attendees. A topic (or topics) for April needed and welcomed.

D. Budget Committee: **Sen. Dixon** reported that the Budget Committee had received some CUPA data from Vice President Walkup. It is not clear why all faculty from Southeastern do not appear in the data; for example, instructors are not included. The data are arranged by discipline and display large

differences. There may be limits on the degree to which the data may be freely disseminated. Permission will be sought from VP Walkup to share the information and data.

E. Committee on Committees: Sen. Emge reports that the committee has not met.

F. Executive Committee: Sen. Moretti stated that the Executive Committee will meet in the next two weeks.

IV. Old Business: There was no old business.

V. New Business: Sen. Moretti discussed the persistent tenuousness of achieving a quorum in the Senate and also raised the question of adjusting the number of Senators to reflect the reduced number of full-time faculty positions. These items are being referred to the Personnel Policies Committee for consideration.

VI. Adjournment

**A Motion to adjourn was made by Sen. Maer and seconded by Sen. Coker.
The Senate adjourned at 4:05 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Althoff

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Recorder