# **Faculty Senate**

Minutes

## Wednesday, April 29, 2015 3:30 p.m.

## General Classroom Building 118

Hyperlinks to supporting documents are included.
\*As approved at the FS meeting on September 2, 2015

#### I. Call to order and Welcome

**Faculty Senate Chair Moretti** called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

#### Attending:

Daniel Althoff William Fridley
Martin Bressler Tom Harvey
Dennis Brewster Layne Heitz
Han-Sheng Chen Brad Ludrick
Randy Clark John Mischo

Riley Coker Christopher Moretti

Kay Daigle Hal Poovey
Diane Dixon Krista Ramírez

Steven Emge

#### **Not attending:**

Jeremy Blackwood Blythe Duell George Jacox

## II. Approval of the minutes from the meeting on April 8th

Sen. **Coker** moved that the Minutes be adopted as submitted.

Sen. Heitz seconded the Motion.

The Motion to approve the Minutes as submitted passed: 12 in favor -0 opposed -0 abstentions.

## **III.** Committee Reports

## A. University Affairs Committee

Sen. **Bressler** submitted the year-end **report** from the University Affairs Committee.

## B. Executive Committee (Faculty Senate Chair Moretti, reporting)

#### Archivist Election

The position of Archivist is for one year and carries one course of reassigned time.

Sen. Bressler nominated William Fridley to the position.

Sen. Althoff seconded the nomination.

Sen. Fridley was elected as Archivist for a term of one year by acclamation.

## • Discussion of Shared Governance Forum on post-tenure review

This point was moved to New Business

## • Upcoming survey of Faculty Senators

The internal survey of Faculty Senators will be opened today or tomorrow.

#### • Executive Committee Year-end Report

The Executive Committee's Report to the Faculty Senate is available here.

#### C. Committee on Committees

#### • Proposed Committee Appointments

The Committee on Committees submitted <u>Minutes</u> from their meeting held on April 24. Included in the minutes are the proposed appointments to university committees.

Sen. **Dixon** moved that the proposed appointments be approved by the Faculty Senate. Sen. **Daigle** seconded the motion.

The Motion was approved: 16 in favor –0 opposed –0 abstentions.

## Proposed revision to Honors Committee membership

The proposed revision to the membership of the Honors Committee as described in the Committee on Committee's Minutes (above), adding one student member, was brought up for a vote.

Sen. **Dixon** moved that the proposed revision be approved by the Faculty Senate.

Sen. **Daigle** seconded the motion.

The Motion was approved: 16 in favor –0 opposed –0 abstentions.

## • Proposed revision to Distance Education Council membership

The proposed revision to the membership of the Distance Education Council, adding a member from the Idabel Campus and another member from IETV as described in the Committee on Committee's Minutes (above) was brought up for a vote.

Sen. **Dixon** moved that the proposed revision be approved by the Faculty Senate.

Sen. **Daigle** seconded the motion.

The Motion was approved: 16 in favor –0 opposed –0 abstentions.

Additionally, the Committee on Committees presented their year-end <u>report</u> summarizing their meetings and activities for the year 2014-2015.

#### **D.** Personnel Policies Committee

#### • Personnel Policies Year-end Report

The year-end report from the Personnel Policies Committee is available here.

#### E. Planning Committee

## • Planning Committee Year-end Report

The year-end report from the Planning Committee is available <u>here</u>. Sen. **Coker** suggested that the criteria for the Lifetime Achievement Award might include a specific amount of time teaching at Southeastern, such as 25 years.

#### F. Budget Committee

The year-end report from the Budget Committee is available <u>here.</u>

#### IV. Old Business

There was no old business.

#### V. New Business

#### • Treasurer's Report

Sen. **Brewster**, Faculty Senate Treasurer, submitted his <u>report</u> with budget recommendations for the next year.

Sen. **Fridley** suggested including \$500.00 in the next budget request to recognize the winner of the Adjunct of the Year with the same cash award as other winners.

## Proposed Bylaw on corrections to Senate Archives

Sen. **Fridley**, Faculty Senate Archivist, proposed a <u>bylaw</u> that would allow the Archivist to correct errors of fact on the Faculty Senate website when they are discovered, with the proviso that a record of those corrections also be posted at the Faculty Senate website.

Faculty Senate Chair **Moretti** suggested that the following words be added to the end of the Motion as submitted: **and the changes will be announced at the next Faculty Senate meeting** so that the Motion reads:

The Faculty Senate Archivist shall be authorized to make corrections of factual inaccuracies in documents and postings on the Senate website (e.g. the listings of FS Award winners). Such corrections and changes will be recorded and dated on a document called "Archive Corrections" that will be posted on the most recent 'Senate Documents' page of the FS website, and the changes will be announced at the next Faculty Senate meeting.

Sen. **Fridley** moved that the Bylaw with the additional wording be approved and adopted. Sen. **Poovey** seconded the motion.

The Bylaw was approved and adopted: 16 in favor –0 opposed –0 abstentions.

• Discussion item: Academic Planning meetings, 4/22 and 4/29 Comments received have been positive.

#### • Discussion item: Forum on Shared Governance, 4/25

The forum (on post-tenure review) was well attended, spirited; there was heart-felt discourse. Regarding post-tenure review, concerns mentioned included issues of confidentiality; persistent deficiencies remaining uncorrected or unaddressed; the role of teaching proficiency in overall ratings.

Sen. Fridley congratulated Sen. Poovey and Chair Moretti on their work on this forum.

## VI.

**Adjournment** The Faculty Senate adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Althoff

Recorder