

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES  
December 12, 2016

The Pittsburg State University Faculty Senate met at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, December 12, 2016 in the Sunflower Room of the Overman Student Center with Janice Jewett, President, presiding.

**Past Minutes**

Minutes for November 28, 2016 meeting approved.

**Announcements**

*Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs – Dr. Lynette Olson*

Dr. Olson indicated that due to this meeting being early in the month, KBOR had not met as yet in December. Her report consisted of forecasting what she believed would be discussed in the December KBOR meeting based on the agenda. PSU's Master Facility Plan update is on agenda for approval and once approved will be circulated. Weapons policy approval is forthcoming and campus information sessions anticipated. Dr. Olson added the search for the Dean of College of Education to begin in Spring term.

*General Education Review Committee – Phil McNew, Mike Carper, Steve Horner and Katherine Hooey*

Mr. McNew shared the group had finished the first round of focus group and in January plan to start with classified and unclassified staff and there will be a second round of focus groups. He thanked those who shared their thoughts. Dr. Mark Johnson asked how many faculty attended these meetings. Mr. McNew noted 17 from College of Technology, 27 from Arts and Sciences, and fewer than 8 from College of Education and he didn't have an exact number for Kelce faculty. Dr. Johnson pointed out the need for faculty input to which Mr. McNew replied that there is information on Canvas and that the second round of focus meetings will be scheduled at a different time.

*PSU/KNEA – Dr. Khamis Siam, President*

Dr. Siam advised he had sent an email earlier today for votes. At this point he believed the best that can be accomplished from negotiations is \$400 that would not be added to the base. He encouraged voting by Friday in order to get this on the Regent's agenda. He added that he was disappointed by the outcome, but stressed it was the best we can do.

*Student Senate Remarks – Nathan Diddle, Senator*

Mr. Diddle was not present, but Dr. Jewett had his report noting that he did get the grant awarded for extracurricular learning and more information would be shared in the coming semester.

*University Support Staff – Michael Woodrum, President*

Mr. Woodrum advised that he and his counterparts from other Kansas colleges continue to work on no or low-cost incentives for University Support Staff as perks for continued employment satisfaction. Voya Employee Recognition Award nominations have closed and will be announced on Apple Day Convocation along with outstanding faculty. Dr. Jewett reminded the group that Apple Day would be Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>.

*Faculty Senate President – Dr. Janice Jewett, President*

Dr. Jewett started by reminding the group that KBOR meetings had not yet occurred for the month of December so the Faculty Senate meeting in January will include reports from both December and January. She anticipates continued discussion on AP & CLEP scores and possibly the weapon policy as it relates to survey data from last year and a possible future survey on the policy.

**Committee Reports**

*Undergraduate Curriculum – James McBain, Chair*

Curricular items, as found in the agenda. All items were approved by committee and submitted as a package for senate vote. Passed unanimously with a question posed by Mr. Bob Kehle asking about General Education committee review of items within the agenda noted by an asterisk as requiring committee approval. Dr. Jewett responded that the General Education committee would review next.

*Library Services/Learning Resources – Julie Samuels, Chair*

Committee is reviewing what materials within the library need to be replaced. The library hosted late nights during the past week which was well attended and at midnight there were still over 100 students still in the library. Amazing things are happening in our library and visitors would find new charging stations that can be locked by a passcode, new whiteboard and video rooms and assistance on how to create videos. The library will again be going through materials and requesting input from faculty on material needs to be kept or if it is okay to remove. If faculty have requests for new materials they will work within their budget to try to make that happen. The library is working hard to meet the needs as long as they are aware of what is needed.

Dr. Jewett added that the Executive Committee was having their next meeting in the library.

*Student Faculty, Barbara McClaskey, Chair*

Dr. McClaskey advised that she had been contacted and alerted the committee of a reported violation of the dead week policy. After speaking with the faculty, the assignment was removed, and complaint dropped. With this incidence, it was discussed the need to have the policy and procedures more visible to students and that will be investigated further by the committee.

*Faculty Affairs – Susan Schreiner, Chair*

No report given at the time, but was later informed of approximately \$20,000 remaining in the professional development fund.

**Unfinished Business**      None


**New Business**            None

**Open Forum**

Dr. Siam addressed a concern based on the Undergraduate Curriculum committee report and asked why the General Education committee approval is done after Undergraduate Curriculum when there is a flow chart online that shows this to be in reverse order. Dr. Jewett advised this had been changed a few years back and that the flow chart needs to be updated.

Dr. Jewett reminded those present that the next meeting will be January 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Meeting Adjourned**                      Motion to adjourn was approved at 3:24 p.m.

  
Debbie Greve, Recording Secretary

**FACULTY SENATE MEMBERSHIP  
(2016-2017)**

	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May
Book, (Women's Studies)	X	X	X	X					
Bowman, (Art)	X	X	X*	X					
Butler, (Physics)	X	X	X						
Clanton, (Music)	X	X	X	X					
Cooper, (At-Large)	X	X		X					
Cox, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X					
Daley, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X					
Elliott, (Technology & Workforce Learning)	X			X					
Fincher, (Teaching and Leadership)	X	X	X	X					
Franklin, (English and Modern Languages)		X	X						
Gupta, (Chemistry)	X	X	X	X					
Hendershot, (Family & Consumer Sciences)		X	X	X					
Herring, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X					
Hite, (Nursing)	X	X	X	X					
Hudiburg, (At-Large)	X		X						
Huffman, (Graphics and Imaging Tech)	X								
Jewett, (President)	X	X	X	X					
Johnson, Mark, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X					
Kehle, (At-Large)		X	X	X					
Krepps, (English and Modern Languages)	X	X*	X	X					
Lawson, (History, Philosophy & Social Sci)	X	X	X	X					
Leon, (Library Services)	X	X	X	X					
Livingston, (Communication)		X	X	X					
Maceli, (Management and Marketing)	X	X	X	X					
McBain, (History, Philosophy & Social Sci)	X	X	X	X					
McClaskey, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X					
McKinnis, (Economics, Finance, & Banking)		X	X						
McNew, (Engineering Technology)	X	X	X	X					
Morris, (School of Construction)	X	X	X	X					
Norman, (Automotive Technology)	X	X	X	X					
Peterson, Mark, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X					
Runyan, (At-Large)	X	X	X						
Samuels, (Past President)	X			X					
Schiefelbein, (At-Large)	X	X		X					
Shay, (Military Science)									
Shewmake, (Health, Human Perform & Rec)	X	X	X	X					
Siam, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X					
Snow, (Biology)	X		X	X					
Spera, (Psychology and Counseling)	X	X	X	X					
Thuong, (Mathematics)	X	X	X	X					
Yarick, (Accounting & Computer Inf Systems)	X	X	X	X					
Univ Support Staff Senate Representative	X	X	X	X					
Unclassified Senate Representative									
Student Government Representative	X	X	X						

\*Brian Moots substituted for Myriam Krepps at the October meeting. Li-Lin Tseng substituted for Portico Bowman at the November meeting.

Susan Schreiner attended the October meeting. Lindsey Taggart attended the October and December meeting. Eric Harris attended the December meeting.