

## FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

May 2, 2016

The Pittsburg State University Faculty Senate met at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, May 2, 2016 in the Sunflower Room of the Overman Student Center with Julie Samuels, President, presiding.

### Past Minutes

The minutes for April 18, 2016 were approved.

### Announcements

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

Dr. Olson thanked all those present for their participation in what is a critical part of life at this institution. She announced that at 3:00 a.m. today the Kansas legislature 'gaveled-out' with no more decision to be made this year unless a special session is called. There has been some work accomplished with the BOR assistance on removal of tuition cap. Many other budget items will need to wait and see at this point. The \$1 million allotment this year leaves an unknown on the FY 17 budget. Expect more to be announced on the budget from Dr. Scott once more is known.

Dr. Olson thanked all those who served on the RPM on both the curriculum and social/co-curricular committees. Reports are currently being reviewed and have been very insightful. PSU will continue to work with the Gardner Institute and at the end of the day all will be involved as we are now with retention of our students.

Strategic Planning Council will convene for the first time on May 5<sup>th</sup> with Cliff Morris serving on behalf of Faculty Senate. More public announcements as the process moves along. Dr. Olson noted she wanted this to be a transparent process and sees this as an exciting adventure over the next few years.

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

Was announced that Dr. Siam took office as president of KNEA as of May 1<sup>st</sup> along with a new team of officers.

*Student Senate Remarks – Marcus Clem, Senator*

Announcement made to watch for new practices and actions to pass next year through SGA.

*Faculty Senate President – Dr. Julie Samuels*

Dr. Samuels spoke of how fast the year had gone and thanked everyone for a great year. Janice Jewett will start her year as president by traveling to Topeka next week. Recapping recent BOR activity, Dr. Samuels spoke of process to review CLEP scores and the need to retain autonomy. Credit for Prior Learning continues to be a large part of future planning and decisions. Dr. Samuels asked that faculty continue to share concerns with Faculty Senate. She had heard a great deal to date regarding need to retain our identity versus a system-wide plan.

Per Dr. Samuels, the co-chairs of the General Education committee have met 2 or 3 times and working to find outside consultant to lead way, but not direct. Identified as a 2-3 year journey and want to hear opinions of faculty and students. Advised to read MrBulke on the subject.

### Committee Reports

*Undergraduate Curriculum – Greg Murray, Chair*

Dr. Janice Jewett announced the committee had approved 10 items to advance through legislation process. Motion was made to approve all items.

*Information Systems – Ram Gupta, Chair*

Announced that Dr. Olson was working on a new Strategic Plain for Information Technology with an expected review in near future.

*Student/Faculty – Julie Dainty, Chair*

Second reading of the changes to the Academic Honesty Policy/Procedures. Dr. Dainty received no input. Motion Passed unanimously to make the minor changes proposed at the April meeting.

Dr. Dainty reminded the group that this is still a working policy and there may continue to be need for future changes. Dr. Dainty also reminded those present of the process to submit an academic dishonesty complaint through GUS.

*Faculty Affairs – Jan Schiefelbein, Chair*

Dr. Schiefelbein advised that all the funds had been disbursed this year, with \$90,000 priority 1 paid and 6 priority 2 being identified.

*General Education – Mark Johnson, Chair*

Dr. Johnson spoke of 20 courses completed in the first review started in the Fall of 2015. Full committee reviewed in March and process gave a good baseline for all departments going forward. He believed to have been a productive year.

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

None

**Open Forum**

Multiple announcement were made of activities to take place in the next two days. Myriam Krepps also announced a change in how the English and Modern Languages Department will be granting retro-credit with no deadline to apply. Advised to watch their website for changes to become effective Fall 2016.

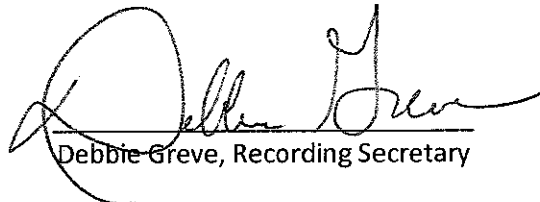
**Meeting Adjourned**

Motion to adjourn was approved at 3:36 p.m.

**New meeting – under President Janice Jewett / Election of 2017-18 Faculty Senate President**

Dr. Jewett thanked Dr. Samuels and all those present and spoke of her eagerness to serve next year as the 2016-2017 Faculty Senate President. Election for the President of Faculty Senate for 2017-2018 by the senators for the 2016-17 year was held and Dr. Amy Hite was elected.

This meeting was adjourned at 3:41 p.m.



Debbie Greve, Recording Secretary

**FACULTY SENATE MEMBERSHIP  
(2015-2016)**

	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May
Anderson, (Family & Consumer Sciences)									
Bailey, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Benson, (At-Large)	X				X		X		
Book, (Women's Studies)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bowman, (Art)	X	X*	X	X	X		X	X	X
Butler, (Physics)	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Clanton, (Music)	X	X	X	X	X	X*	X	X	X
Coltharp, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Conrad, (At-Large)	X			X	X	X	X	X	X
Cummings, (At-Large)						X			
Dainty, (Past President)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fay, (Accounting & Computer Inf Systems)	X			X		X			
Flynn, Gloria (At-Large)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Franklin, (English and Modern Languages)		X	X		X			X	
Frisbee, (Nursing)	X	X*	X	X	X	X	X		X
Gupta, (Chemistry)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	
Hague, (Technology & Workforce Learning)									
Hoey, (At-Large)	X		X	X	X		X	X	
Huffman, (Graphics and Imaging Tech)	X	X			X	X	X	X	X
Jayawardhana, (At-Large)	X		X	X					
Jewett, (Health, Human Performance & Rec)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jones, Randy (Automotive Technology)		X	X	X		X			
Judd, (At-Large)	X	X		X	X	X	X		X
Krepps, (English and Modern Languages)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lal, (Economics, Finance, and Banking)	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	
Lawson, (History, Philosophy & Social Sci)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lee, (Management and Marketing)	X	X		X	X	X		X	
Leon, (Library Services)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Letner, (Communication)		X	X	X		X			
McBain, (History, Philosophy & Social Sci)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
McDaniel, (At-Large)		X		X	X	X		X	
McNew, (Engineering Technology)	X		X	X	X		X	X	X
Morris, (School of Construction)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Moss, (At-Large)	X	X	X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
Petersen, Ann (At-Large)	X			X			X*	X*	X*
Samuels, (President)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Shay, (Military Science)					X				
Snow, (Biology)	X	X	X	X	X			X	X
Spera, (Psychology and Counseling)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Stuck, (Teaching and Leadership)	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Wade, (Mathematics)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X*	X	X
University Support Staff Senate Rep			X						
Unclassified Senate Representative			X						
Student Government Representative	X			X					X

Mark Johnson, Andrea McConaughy and Greg Murray attended the September meeting. Andrea McConaughy attended the October, January, February, March and April meeting. Greg Murray attended the November and December meeting. Mark Johnson attended the May meeting. \*Li-Lin Tseng substituted for Portico Bowman and Jan Schiefelbein substituted for Kristi Frisbee at the October meeting; Brian Moots substituted for Grant Moss at the January meeting. Carol Deats substituted for Jim Clanton at the February meeting. Yaping Liu substituted for Jeremy Wade and Steven Schaffner substituted for Ann Petersen at the March and April meeting. Steven Schaffner substituted for Ann Petersen at the May meeting.

The following 2017-2018 At-Large Senators attended the May meeting: Sandra Cox, John Daley, Michelle Hudiburg, Mark Johnson, Bob Kehle, Barbara McClaskey, Mark Peterson, Kent Runyan and Janis Schiefelbein.