

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2016

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jamie Clark, Faculty Senate President at 2:00 pm in the Student Center Building, room 422. Jamie Clark welcomed the new Senators: Martha Pate (Liberal Arts) and Carla Santos (Enrollment Services).

II. Members Present:

Academic Division

Michelle Askew
Jamie Clark
Michelle Judice
Zeb Lowe
Jim Cammack
Grace Megnet
Christina Wilbur
Percy Jordan *

Staff: Carla Santos

Guest(s): Mavis Triebel
Caitlin James

Technical Division

Brandon Buckner
Cynthia Arceneaux
Debbie Lawson
Robert Peeler
Adriane Champagne
Sherry Lejeune *
Amanda Smith *
Eursula Davis *
Jennifer Bryant *
Tanya Woods *

Adjunct: Martha Pate

III. Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the November 4th Faculty Senate meeting were approved with no changes and posted to the website.

IV. Correspondence: No correspondence.

V. Committee Reports

Academic Issues - Zeb Lowe: In order to submit grades for graduating students in a timely manner, could a list of graduating seniors be provided or identifications placed in Banner so that instructors are aware of possible graduates? The registrar's office was consulted regarding this issue. The best solution is to just ask if any students are planning to graduate that semester. No further action recommended.

A report was submitted which questioned whether or not it was possible to email all classes at once in Blackboard/Banner. After consulting with the IT Department, the report notes that there is no tool to do this in Banner/Blackboard and that it would take considerable effort and be prohibitively expensive. Recommendation that Faculty Senate take no further action unless the Senate feels there is enough need to justify the additional expense.

Awards Nominations - Michelle Askew: No report.

Facilities - Amanda Smith: No report.

Faculty Development/Welfare - Grace Megnet: No report.

Faculty/Campus Relations - Michelle Judice: No report.

Finance/Compensation - Brandon Buckner: No report.

Ad Hoc Committees -

Relay for Life - Adrienne Champagne: Shirts are available with new LSCPA logo for \$25.00.

Social - Caitlin James: This event has previously been held at Tequila's in Mid County. If you have a new recommendation for the post-graduation dinner, please let her know.

Faculty Development - Faculty Development for Spring 2017 will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 and has been planned by the Faculty Development Committee.

LU-B Faculty Senate: Mavis Triebel - LU Faculty Senate met October 4th. It was reported that Honors College Dean Kevin Dodson stated that we should send him information on students who might qualify for the Honors Program at LU.

LIT Faculty Senate: No report.

Orange Faculty Senate: No report.

VI. Old Business: N/A

VII. New Business:

- a. Adriane Champagne has been elected as Faculty Senate Vice-President.
- b. Jamie Clark provided a report on his attendance at the Texas Council of Faculty Senates and TCCTA Fall Leadership conferences.
- c. Mavis Treibel provided a report on her meeting with the Texas State University System administrators as well as the TSUS Council of Faculty Senate conference.
- d. It was asked if the link on the monthly leave reports could include a hyperlink to access the reports. Assigned to Academic Issues Committee.
- e. **Tribute Fund:** The Tribute Fund has \$230.00 and will be given to the vice president to manage.

VIII. Executive Senate Report:

Executive Committee Report: Members of the Executive Committee of the Senate, Jamie Clark and Christina Wilbur, met with Dr. Reynard and Dr. Stretcher on Tuesday, October 26, 2016 at 2:45 p.m. in the President's office. Items discussed by Dr. Reynard and Dr. Stretcher included:

- a. It was reported that a Title V Grant might be a possibility in the near future. Dr. Stretcher and Dr. Hebert are currently determining what is needed in order to provide services for students in order to enable them to achieve student success.
- b. It was reported that PAISD has recently applied for an Innovation Academic grant through the Texas Education Agency. If approved this could provide finances for the Early College High School in the areas of equipment for use in technical programs or for training of counselors, teachers, etc.
- c. The Texas State University Board of Regents will meet on November 17 – 18, 2016 at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas.
- d. It was reported that the Tip Off Banquet will take place on November 3, 2016 at 6:30 pm. BBQ brisket and chicken will be served. Tickets are \$20.
- e. It was reported that the touring band from LSCPA will be playing at the Groves Pecan Festival. The Pecan Festival begins on October 29, 2016 and ends on November 2, 1016.

XI. Announcements:

- a. Dr. Hebert asked that faculty familiarize themselves with the Faculty Enlight textbook adoption platform for use in Spring 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 pm.

Christina A. Wilbur
Secretary