

January 2007 Faculty Senate Minutes

Faculty Senate Minutes 1-24-07

Senators Attending: Betsy Fulmer (alt for Beverly Buys), Maralea Gourley, Bruce Smith (alt for Georgine Steinmiller), Kevin Durand, Laura Storm, Carol Underwood, Rick McDaniel, Fred Worth, Paula Leming, Brian English, Mike Matthews, Paul Glover, Linda English, Beverly Baker, Patrick Wempe, Lea Alexander, Catherine Leach, Joyce Shepherd (alt for Doc Gibson), Angela Boswell, Steven Carter, and Martha Cooley

Senators Absent: Gary Smithey, Jack Meadows, Hank Wilson, Troy Hogue, Rafael Bejarano, Martin Halpern, and Don Wells

Senate President Kevin Durand announced the quorum and called the meeting to order at approximately 3:15PM.

The December 2006 Minutes were approved as distributed.

Discussion with Vice President Houston:

- 6th Day enrollment figures show that we are down 101 students over this time last year. Some particular figures follow:
 - We have 9 more first-time freshmen than this time last year
 - We have 7 fewer other freshmen
 - We have 73 fewer Sophomores
 - We have 13 more Juniors, but 45 fewer Seniors
 - Graduate students are approximately even
- All faculty evaluations have been removed from personnel files, and Vice President Houston stated that he will not look at them, barring unforeseen circumstances.
- The problem with the number of computers in the Testing Center is being looked into, but we are limited with what we can do because Prometric must certify any new machines as “secure” per their standards.
- There are no plans set in concrete for the Technology Center yet.
- Plans are being made to use the money from currently collected fees to fund architectural renderings for a Student Recreation Center.

Elections for 2007:

- **President-Elect:** Angela Boswell was elected by acclamation
- **Webmaster-Elect:** Steven Carter was elected by acclamation
- **Secretary:** Linda English was elected by acclamation
- **Board of Trustees Representative:** Catherine Leach was elected by acclamation

Appointment of Parliamentarian: Fred Worth was appointed.

Committee Reports: none

Old Business:

- **Faculty Excellence Awards:** The Operations Committee will meet following the Senate meeting to discuss the ongoing issues.

New Business: none

Announcements:

- Dr. Futrell announced that the Tribute to Dr. King on Feb. 1's Mid-Day Celebration will be from 12:30 to 1:30 in Arkansas Hall.
- Dr. Eaves is looking for volunteers for the faculty choir to sing at the celebration.

A resolution of thanks for a job well done was passed by the Senate to commend last year's Senate officers (President: Jamie Engman, President Elect: Kevin Durand, Secretary: Brian English, Representative to Board of Trustees Brett Serviss, Webmaster: Don Wells, Parliamentarian: Don Wells).

A motion to adjourn was passed at 4:03PM.