Kentucky State University Faculty Senate Minutes

8/20/18

NAME	Attendance	Department	Office
Shawn Lucas	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	Academic Policies
Leigh Whittinghill	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	Chair, Curriculum
Ken Semmens	PRESENT	Aqu and Aquatic Sci	Vice Chair, Bud &Ac
Herman Walston	ABSENT	Fam and Cons Sci	Professional Concern
Erin Gilliam (Parliamentarian)	PRESENT	Soc and Beh Sci	Vice Chair, Acad Pol
Mara Merlino (Vice President)	EXCUSED	Soc and Beh Sci	Professional Concern
Jyotica Batra	PRESENT	Math and Comp Sci	Academic Policies
Caroline Gibson	PRESENT	Hum and Perf Arts	Chair, Prof Concern
Marlin McKay	PRESENT	Hum and Perf Arts	Chair, Acad Policies
Helen Smith (Secretary)	PRESENT	Hum and Perf Arts	Secretary,Curriculum
Dantrea Hampton	PRESENT	Library	Vice Chair, Curricm
Rene Desborde	PRESENT	Bus and Tech	Budget and Ac Sup
Jason Keeler	PRESENT	Edu and Hum Dev	Secretary, Acad Pol
Phillip Clay	PRESENT	Edu and Hum Dev	Chair, Bud & Ac Sup
Li Lu	PRESENT	Nat Sci	Vice Chair, Prof Con
Bruce Griffis	PRESENT	Nat Sci	Secretary, Bud & Ac
Rebecca McCoy	PRESENT	Nur and Health Sci	Curriculum
Lisa Turner	ABSENT	Nur and Health Sci	Budget and Ac Sup
Robert Griffin	PRESENT	At-large (Hum and Per)	Curriculum
Joe Moffett (President)	PRESENT	At-large (Hum and Per)	
Debbra Tate	PRESENT	At-large (Library)	Secretary, Prof Con
Allison Young	EXCUSED	At-large (Ag, Coms, En)	Professional Concern
Swagata Banerjee	PRESENT	At-large (Bus and Tec)	Academic Policies
Non-Senator Committee Members			
Nkechi Amadife			Academic Policies
Ken Andries	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	Curriculum
Changzheng Wang	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	Curriculum
William Welsh			Budget and Ac Sup
Mike Unuakhalu			Budget and Ac Sup
Guests (in order of sign-in)			
Christina McManus	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	Interim Assoc Resrch Dir.
Lauren Graves	PRESENT	Academic Affairs	
John Sedlacek	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	
Tierra Taylor	PRESENT	BSS	Chair
Kirk Pomper	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	
LeChrista Finn	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	
Buddi Gyawali	PRESENT	Ag, Communities, and Env	
Kim Sipes	PRESENT	Academic Affairs	Deputy Provost
Lucian Yates	PRESENT	Academic Affairs	Provost
Mary Barr	PRESENT	BSS	
M. Christopher Brown, III	PRESENT	University	University President
Tymon Graham	PRESENT		
Wilfred Riley	PRESENT	BSS	Ombudsman
Etienne Thomas	PRESENT	Athletics	

The first regularly scheduled meeting of the AY 2018-19 Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:12 pm on Monday, August 20th, 2018 in Hathaway Hall 123. The agenda was approved with no amendments.

The new Senate President, Dr. Joe Moffett, welcomed the senators and guests and said it was his pleasure to serve with them.

Faculty Senate President Report:

- Moffett has several copies of the AAUP red book in his office and invited colleagues to come pick one up if they would like one. His office is in HH 407C.
- The Tenure and Promotion calendar will be available next week, as he has learned, and its deadlines will be pushed back slightly due to the delay. The Provost, Dr. Lucian Yates, noted that as a rule, this calendar should go out in the spring, but it didn't. He added that in the third week of March, Tenure and Promotion information should go out to faculty, so that they and the Provost can get working on the process in a timely manner. He said that the deans and chairs were just as chagrined as faculty that this calendar was not published on a timely basis.
- Academic Reorganization: Moffett noted that he took the academic reorganization information as he received it and assigned senators in colleges/schools as he thought they should go. He followed the Senate Constitution rule that every program gets at least one senator, and two if the program has more than 7 faculty. He has let the deans know that there are now several colleges without senate representation. His concern is to make sure that all areas have representation. For instance, he changed his own position to at-large senator because his division of LLP was reorganized.
    - Senator Question: what if someone doesn't want to continue on Senate? Moffett: a couple of senators have already resigned or traded places with other people. He is working on a document that lists the senators and their new areas. He will distribute this document to the Senate once he finalizes it. He noted that even yesterday (8/19) there was still confusion in some divisions about which faculty members are Senators and which are not. Currently, there are the most Senate vacancies in the College of Public Service and Leadership Studies.
    - University President Christopher Brown: he wanted to say on record that this unit [PSLS] continues to be a unit that faculty senate needs to look at. It is the only unit in the reorganization that doesn't fit the criteria for having a discipline, a field and an application. Brown would welcome Senate's

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board, including advice about professional issues. Reilly stated that he will be at each meeting of the Senate to discuss the goals and objectives of his office.

Other Business:

- President Brown welcomed the new Director of Athletics, Etienne Thomas. She introduced herself to the Senate and stated that she is looking forward to working with Senate and ensuring that our athletes make it through in 4 years. She noted that she is adding staff, including academic support staff. She asked for faculty partnership in their endeavors. Her office is in 227 Exum.
- A Senator stated that the faculty handbook is still an issue; the last time it was revised was 2012. He asked if there is a more recent version that can go online.
    - Deputy Provost Sipes responded that the faculty handbook is available on the KSU website, under the faculty tab.
    - Moffett noted that for the last several years, the Senate has been trying to amend the faculty handbook.
    - Sipes stated that she didn't think there are substantive changes to the Post Tenure R

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