



FACULTY ASSEMBLY MINUTES

March 23rd 2018

1. **Call to Order:** The Faculty Assembly meeting of March 23, 2018, was called to order by Chair Ballard at 3:01 pm in Science Room 220.

Faculty Executive Committee Members Present:

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| Badenhoop, J. | Johnson-Olin, M. | Sydow, T. | Wilcox, G. |
| Ballard, D. | Jones, J. | Vandenberg, M. | |
| Goff, N. | Pritts, C. | Vogtman, J. | |

Voting Members Present:

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| Arjel, K. | Farhat, T. | Meadows, Y. | Schafer, A. |
| Armentrout, D. | Hudgins, C. | Merrifield, J. | Schafer, D. |
| Bane, L. | Huffman, V. | Miller, J. | Stone, J. |
| Bridges, C. | Hunt, R. | Moore, M. | Upton, R. |
| Cheves, R. | Julian, C. | Oberlechner, S. | Weaver, A. |
| Cunningham, E. | Kline, V. | Saifi, M. | Westfall, K. |
| Gilbert, J. | Martini, M. | Samuels, H. | Whitacre, K. |

Voting Members Excused:

Chisholm, S.
Little, D.

Voting Members Absent:

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| Armstrong, C. | Douthitt, P. | Moore, K. | Starcher, S. |
| Beck Roth, S. | Lawrence, C. | Ninesteel, J. | Walker, A. |
| Butcher, A. | Matlick, D. | Petersen, R. | |
| Chandler, N. | Mehra, D. | Plitnik, B. | |

Non-Voting Members Present:

Ochoa, G. Orlikoff, J.

Guests:

Shapiro, A. Shultz, T.

2. Professor Vogtman moved to approve the FA February 23, 2018 minutes. **Motion Carried.** (*Annex I*).
3. President Orlikoff reported the following:
 - Traveling with President Gee to Berkley County. Visits at Keyser and Frankfort High Schools were successful and students were very enthusiastic.

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- HLC visits went very well, exit meeting expressed how impressed the committee was with the forward positive momentum of One WVU.
 - The 5% raise will not be across the board for all faculty and staff. WVU is attempting to come as close as possible and is addressing salary inequities for this year and the next 3 years. Increase of \$200,000 in state appropriations.
 - Impressed by the annual evaluations that truly reflect how much our faculty cares about the campus, students, community, and their profession.
 - In light of increased pedestrian accidents at WVU the progress of a traffic light to be placed on Route 220 was discussed.

4. Dean Ochoa reported the following:

- Thank you to the library and Nick Gardner for bringing in engaging speakers this semester.
- Dr. Steve Kensey will be speaking about the *Biology of Cannabis* on April 9 at 5:00 pm. and Hidden Figures motivational speaker, Nancy Collamer, will speak on April 10. Please encourage students to attend.
- Thank you to Andrea Schafer for her work on the STEM Festival.
- Update on faculty searches, Vic Frazier has been contracted for Biology. Chemistry interviews in the final week.
- Faculty & Staff appreciation breakfast sponsored by the Agricultural Team, Tuesday, April 24 from 7:30-11:00 am.
- MATH updates for advising, MATH 122 changing to meeting 2 times per week working through modules. MATH 124 will be offered this Fall instead of MATH 126. Degree Works has not been updated yet. All questions should be addressed to Vicki Huffman.
- Thank you for all those who participated in the 2nd Annual Faculty/Student Basketball game.

5. Chair Ballard reported the following:

- Newly updated PIN numbers were distributed from the Dean's Office.
- Any scheduling conflicts forward to your chair.
- Open forum on March 29 at 3:30 pm in Science 220 to discuss pay document located on the Faculty N Drive. Follow up forum to be in April. Schedule will need confirmed for Science 220.
- Outstanding professor files closed March 23 with 23 of 46 professors being nominated. Nominations will be reviewed next week and reception notification, via email, is to be determined.
- Faculty Welfare is working on the Faculty Handbook and Academic Standards is working on an Advising Handbook hope to have ready for Fall 18.

6. WVU Senate Report:

- From the February Meeting:

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- President Gee reported the following:
 1. Concerns with pedestrian safety in Morgantown.
 2. Board of Governors has looked at the various rules, C.B. Wilson comment period closed March 20, 2018.
 3. New course, GEO 245, Geography in Latin America.
 4. Annex III updates MATH 126 as a pre-req.
 5. Course changes MATH 124 offered at PSC no need to develop MATH 125.
 6. PATH 200, Medical Terminology, will be offered at PSC with pre-req of CHEM 111 and 112 or CHEM 115 and 116.

▪ The full minutes of WVU's December 11th, 2017 Faculty Senate meeting can be found [here](#).

7. WVU Senate Executive Report:

- President Gordon Gee reported the following:
 1. Pay raise coming this year.
 2. Instituting a policy of paying everyone at market when hired and will Move quickly to make equity adjustments for current employees.
- Vice President John Campbell reported the following:
 1. No additional cuts for WVU.
 2. WVU allocated \$900,000 to fund the Governors 1% pay increase which would cost the institution 5 million dollars.
 3. HLC site visit occurred March 5-6.
- Chair Valenti reported the following:
 1. Election for next year's Executive Committee will take place at the May Senate meeting.
 2. Senate leadership to visit Potomac State College, tentatively, on April 4.
 3. Basic features of the Dependent Undergraduate Tuition Assistance Program will provide \$1,650 to in-state students while out-of-state students will be given the in-state rate. Benefit is available immediately with no minimum for years of service and no repayment period. Students must be enrolled full time and be age 26 or under to receive the benefit.
 4. Chair Valenti, Dave Houser, and John Connors met with Tony Christian to put together a WVU oriented health insurance plan. Hoping to have proposal to PEIA this July.
 5. Faculty Senate passed a resolution last year to include +/- grades in GPA calculations. Finalizing details to occur at the March 26, Faculty Executive Committee Meeting.
 6. Preview of the March agenda indicates there are 2 new courses that are being contemplated, BIOL 113, a 1 credit concurrent course paired with BIOL 115 to help D/F/W rate. The second course is a WVUe 189 course, Academic Mindset, for those students on Academic Probation at the end of their 1st term

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7. Proposed change to TACO, Teaching and Assessment Committee, to review section syllabi.
 8. Results from Faculty Senate election, Sheri Chisholm-Senator.
 9. Margaret Miltenberger elected as Senator for the University Extension and Jessica Vanderhoff was elected as Senator for University Librarians.

▪ The full minutes of WVU's January 8th, 2018 Faculty Senate meeting can be found [here](#).

8. ACF Report:

- No report.

9. **Committee on Committees:**

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10. Faculty Welfare Committee Chair's Report (Annex 4)

- None
- Professor Samuels moved to approve the committee report as submitted electronically.

Motion Carried.

11. New Business

12. Shipper Library in a Minute

16. Announcements:

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19. Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 4:23pm.

-Norma Hart

Acting Faculty Assembly Administrative Secretary