



The Faculty Assembly

MINUTES

Friday, March 24, 2017

1. Call to Order

Chair Chisholm called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. in Science Hall, Room 220.

Faculty Executive Committee Members Present:

Badenhoop, J.	Goff, N.	Sydow T.
Ballard, D.	Merrifield, J.	Vandenberg, M.
Chisholm, S.	Pritts, C.	Wilcox, G.

Voting Members Present:

Arjel, K.	Gilbert, A.	Julian, C.	Samuels, H.
Armentrout, D.	Huffman, V.	Kline, V.	Snider, C.
Cheves, R.	Hunt, R.	Oberlechner, S.	Whitacre, K.
Cunningham, E.	Johnson-Olin, M.	Perron, M.	
Douthitt, P.		Saifi, M.	

Voting Members Excused:

Beck Roth, S.	Jones, J.	Petersen, R.	Vogtman, J.
Butcher, A.	Little, D.	Schafer, A.	
Falkowski, H.	Meadows, Y.	Slivoskey, E.	

Voting Members Absent:

Bane, L.	Miller, J.	Plitnik, B.	Weaver, A.
Cumbo, V.	Moore, K.	Stone, J.	Westfall, K.
Mehra, D.	Ninesteel, J.	Upton, R.	Wilson, J.

Non-Voting Members Present:

Orlikoff, J.

2. Professor Samuels moved for the approval of the minutes from the February 24, 2017, Faculty Assembly meeting (*Annex I*). Motion Carried.
3. Campus President Orlikoff reported the following:
- John Campbell has forwarded documents regarding the budget situation and Higher Education in West Virginia. Please review them. (*Annex 6a and 6b*).
 - WVU Day at the Legislature is Tuesday 27 March 2017.
 - There is an increased enrollment push particularly for students with high GPAs who are out of state or out of Metro area.

- At a recent retreat with the Marketing Department it was discussed that they are the heart of communication for the campus. Every effort should be made to have all publications (pamphlets, stickers, fliers, etc.) go through the department so that we have a similar look moving forward.
- President Gee gave his State of the University Address was last Wednesday. Excellent speech and the text of the speech is available (<http://presidentgee.wvu.edu/speeches/2017-state-of-the-university-address>)
 - He touched on the need for higher education in regards for job growth.
 - Spoke about the core values of the WVU system
 - Service oriented
 - Curious
 - Respectful
 - Accountable
 - Appreciative
- Adding to those goals, President Orlikoff's campus specific goals are
 - Increase enrollment
 - Increase retention
 - Create united positive welcoming campus and community
 - Foster culture of proactive planning
 - Culture of quality in academics, athletics and facilities
- We will now have a Title IX investigator here on campus, Kara Anderson. This will help better serve our students.

4. Academic Dean's Report given by Associate Dean Douhitt

- Thanks for those who participated in Coordinator for Institutional Effectiveness search process. Currently in the offer/negotiation stage and an announcement will be made soon.
- Priority registration has begun. General registration starts next Tuesday, 28 March.
- 1st PSO is on April 10. The morning presentations will be shortened so prospective students will be released for testing or registration early, at 9:30.
 - Placement Testing
 - English placement testing remains the same
 - Math will be done through ALEKS same as Morgantown, same cutoffs
 - To expedite the system, when prospective students leave computer labs, they will have a printout of ALEKS scores. When they enter the band room, Jayne will assign a math course based on the student's major and placement score. The student will then proceed to a faculty member for registration.
- ALEKS system
 - Once a student is registered, they will have 12 months of free access to the program to help prepare
 - Only proctored exams will be valid placement scores
 - After 1st proctor test cannot retest until you complete remediation modules
 - Starts for Fall 2017. We will continue to use Accuplacer for Summer 2017 courses (Math 93)
- Graduation applications
 - Student needs to meet with you and bring the application by to fill out the graduation survey
 - Reviewing applications that come in students may participate if they have a 1.95 GPA and within 6 credits of what they require. Should be enrolled in those credits already. Don't fill out application until they are close to meeting requirements

5. Chair Chisholm reported the following:

- Dr. Johnson-Olin published “A Story As Diverse as the Animal World: Beauty and the Beast” on [The Cinderella Bibliography](http://d.lib.rochester.edu/cinderella/text/beauty-and-the-beast) hosted by University of Rochester <http://d.lib.rochester.edu/cinderella/text/beauty-and-the-beast>
- Michael Perron recently successfully defended his PhD thesis
- Steve Oberlechner and Cassandra Pritts are expecting new baby September 2017
- Many thanks for attending the coreq math and English registration training sessions
- Amy Weaver provided an update on the shirts. The check should be cut next week and then it will be another two weeks after that.
- Outstanding Professor Award reception is Thursday April 27 at 4 pm at Candlewyk Inn
- Recognition Day for Academic Awards is Sunday April 23. This event is held in conjunction with Whitmore Gates Scholar Wall ceremony at 3 pm at Church McKee. Sigma Phi Omega Banquet follows the Recognition Day Ceremony at 5 pm
 - Wish to give award, please tell Sheri what the award and the students
 - Students receive a letter with no specifics, just inviting them to attend the ceremony.
 - Deb Cruse’s office will print certificates.
 - Awards requiring foundation funds, please coordinate with Derek Artimez
- STEM Festival tomorrow thanks to presenters, facilities and especially Andrea Schafer for her efforts in coordinating the event.

6. WVU Senate Report

Senator Goff reported the following:

- Pres Gee’s Report highlighted the following concerns
 - Human Resources Bill
 - Restructuring Higher Education Bill removing WVU, Marshall and the Osteopathic School of Medicine from HEPC oversight
 - Budget Concerns with the state

Senator Wilcox reported the following:

- Announcement of Chair-Elect candidates David Hauser and Emily Murphy. Nominations were then closed and voting will be held in April.
- An alternative pathways for promotion via service or outstanding achievement in one mission area document has been filed
 - Questions still remain, such as can an administrator with a nontraditional promotion process sit in judgement on a faculty member undergoing the traditional promotion process
- Input on the “Proposed Revision to Academic Standards Document” is sought. This will be included in the catalog for Fall 2017.

Senator Merrifield reported the following:

- ASTR 107 1 credit lab attached to AST 106 to allow it to support GEF 2a or GEF 2b
- EDP 102 1 credit orientation to the RBA program
- JRL 116 Academic Success Center, a 1 credit course for journalism students who have experienced academic difficulties
- BIOL 108
- ENGL 90 became ENGL 100 Writing Studio
- JRL 191 2 credit to 3 credit to include the ULIB 101 curriculum
- 1-3 variable credit major 191 created
- Curriculum changes going to Exec on Monday
 - ENGR 155 Spatial Visualization recommended for students in MATH 128 or lower

- MATH 126 B will be changing the PR grade on MATH 122 from A- to C-
- STCM 315 changing the course description and setting a C- prerequisite for JRL 215 and STCM 215
- New Business at Senate Executive included introduction from the GPA ad hoc work group of a summary document concerning plus/minus grading. Senate Executive will meet on Monday 27 March and the issue will be on the agenda. Any additional comments and concerns should be forwarded to Senator Merrifield by Monday 27 March at 3 pm. (*Annex 7*).

Complete minutes for WVU Faculty Senate can be found at <http://facultysenate.wvu.edu/files/d/bb7ae951-d680-4519-944a-ccf7728f3059/march2017senateminutes.pdf>

Complete minutes for Senate Exec can be found at <http://facultysenate.wvu.edu/minutes-agendas/executive-committee-minutes>

7. ACF Report

ACF Representative Sydow reported the following:

- Reports have been submitted. (*Annex 8a and 8b*).
- Higher Education Day is March 15.
- The session ends on April 8.

8. Shipper Library in a Minute

Dr. Julian briefly explained how the library can help create LibGuides or Research Guides. (*Annex 9*)

9. Committee Reports

- a. Library – Report was filed (*Annex 2*).
 - b. Instructional Resources – Presentation postponed until next month. (*Annex 3*).
 - c. Academic Standards – Report was filed (*Annex 4*).
 - d. Academic Appeals – Report was filed (*Annex 5*).
- Remaining Committee Reports will be made next month.

10. Nominations for Officers for 2017-2018 Academic Year

- Chair-Elect
 - Dr. Ballard (ineligible)
 - Professor Goff (ineligible)
 - Dr. Chisholm (accepts)
 - Dr. Julian moves to close nominations. Motion Carried.
- Secretary
 - Professor Vogtman (accepts)
 - Professor Saifi moves to close nominations. Motion Carried.
- Parliamentarian
 - Professor Pritts (accepts)
 - Dr. Wilcox moves to close nominations. Motion Carried.
- As all candidates are running unopposed, the 2017-2018 Faculty Assembly Officers will be
 - Dr. Donna Ballard, Chair
 - Dr. Sheri Chisholm, Chair-Elect
 - Ms. Joan Vogtman, Secretary
 - Ms. Cassandra Pritts, Parliamentarian

11. New Business

None.

12. Announcements

- 30 April Lavender Graduation in Morgantown for LGBTQ and Allies
- Enrichment tickets for meals with students program is ongoing.
- Can there be some coordination of installation/removal of the snowflakes?
 - The crane is donated, so it needs to be done when the crane is available
- Pres. Gee will be on campus next Thursday 30 March
 - Staff Appreciation brunch from 10:00 – 11:30
 - Wandering from 11:30 to 12:00
 - Lunch with all the Regional College Presidents at noon

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. to reconvene April 28, 2017.

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