

Arkansas State University Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes for August 16, 2006

Attending: Louella Moore, Mark Foster, Jack Zibluk, Osa Amienyi, Daniel Cline, Amany Saleh, Kelly Shaefer (replaced by Stacy Alley), Win Bridges, Richard Wang, Erik Gilbert, Richard Freer, Donna Caldwell, Judith Pfriemer, Cathy Hall, William Burns, Bob Bennett, Jeff Jenness, Jie Miao

Call to Order: The special meeting of the ASU Faculty Senate was called to order by Chair, Bill Humphrey at 8:30 a.m.

Order of Business: Bill explained that this was a single item agenda. The reading of minutes of the previous meeting and other reports will be postponed until the next meeting of the Senate. Bill explained that this special meeting was called at the request of the Faculty Senate Handbook Task Force to present its report to both the Senate and the Faculty Association.

Faculty Senate Handbook Task Force Report: Julie Isaacson, Chair, introduced the other Task Force members on the stage: Robert Engelken, Richard Freer, and Phyllis Pobst. These members distributed the written report before Julie delivered it to the faculty (Report attached). The report acknowledged the adoption of a Faculty Handbook by the Board of Trustees as well as the fact that this handbook has not been approved by the faculty through its representative body, the Faculty Senate. The report recommends that the Senate appoint faculty to all shared governance committees for a period of one year during which time the Senate would work with administration to make changes sufficient to warrant the Senate's endorsement of a faculty handbook. The report was followed by a question and answer period.

Next Senate Meeting: To address this issue in a timely manner, the Senate will convene on Friday August 25 to consider its response to the report.

Adjournment: The Senate was adjourned at (9:00 A.M.).

Respectfully submitted: Richard K. Freer for Margaret McClain.