

ASU FACULTY SENATE  
MINUTES  
September 15, 2000

FACULTY ASSOCIATION  
Jeff Bailey, President (Library)  
Mary Jean Rutherford, Past President (NHP)  
Nonie Wiggins, Secretary/Treasurer (NHP)

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE  
Paul Armah

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES  
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Clint Relyea  
Jim Washam

COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATIONS  
Jack Zibluk

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION  
Cindy Albright  
Steve Haggbloom    proxy  
Joe Justen  
Veda McClain  
Carl Vaupel

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING  
Charles Coleman

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS  
Bill Rowe  
Molly Simpson

Theron Waddle

## COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Terry Baggs  
Steve Guffey  
Laura Owens

## UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Dee Layton

## LIBRARY

Myron Flugstad

## MILITARY SCIENCE

Daniel Tiscareno

## COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS

Jan Duggar

## PROXIES

Rob Lamm (Joe Sartorelli), Warren Johnson (Ernesto Lombeida), Steve Haggbloom  
(John Hall)

## VISITORS

Roger Lee and Dwayne Scott, Student Affairs; Stan Myers, Agri; Amanda Watlington,  
Shannon Kinebel

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 3:05pm.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair Bailey called for any corrections or additions to the minutes of September 1, 2000.  
No corrections or additions were distributed.

## REMARKS & DISCUSSION

Mark Hoeting, Director of Computer Services, reported on the goals and the new services and organization that they are trying to build. First, they are working to build a new infrastructure which will serve success in the classroom. Second, they hope to be seen as an effective professional services unit and a tier two technology support organization. Lastly, to be more pro-active and more effective in integrating new technology into the teaching and learning process. They will continue to have administrative functions however he feels that their best effort needs to come in the academic realm. One of the first agendas of building a better infrastructure will be the telecommunications infrastructure, the integration of voice and data. They are waiting on the funding from the legislature to begin some of those improvements. There was some discussion about the use of a degree audit system. Discussion ensued concerning computing services support for web/internet courses. They are looking at solutions for the existing technical

limitations, as well as, long term solutions to move us into an academical village concept. There was also discussion about secured connections so that students can see their grades in individual classes or web classes. Mr. Hoeting reported that we have the license for SSL secure socket layer transmissions, which will be implemented next year, to allow that type of secured transmission. The new building should be completed by next fall. There should be no or minimal disruptions in computer services. As computer services looks at its role on campus they hope to provide more resources to support systems.

Roger Lee and Dwayne Scott, Student Life, addressed the senate about the student judicial process. Mr. Lee reported that like other universities of our size, 2 ½ to 3% of our students get involved in the judicial process in some way. About 80% of the referrals come from the police departments, the rest come from students, faculty, staff and the community surrounding the campus. Once the office of student life gets the referral they begin an investigative phase where interviews are conducted and evidence is gathered. Through the investigative phase if enough factual and written data are collected then they will charge the alleged student with certain conduct regulations. The student at this point may choose to admit guilt and be heard by a hearing officer for a decision. Or the student may deny guilt and be heard by a hearing officer or the hearing body. The hearing body is composed of available and/or eligible members from the shared governance judicial committee made up of 5 faculty, 4 staff and 4 students. Then a hearing officer or hearing body will decide if the student is guilty of any regulation violation(s) and give sanctions. After sanctions have been issued students have one level of appeal. The university cannot appeal or override a decision made by a hearing officer or judicial committee. If a faculty member feels that they are threatened the office of student life needs documentation of the incident and file a report with a hearing officer. They will determine from the documentation if any code of conduct has been broken and what sanctions should be given. ASU does not have self imposed sanctions or automatic sanctions because we are not a legal judicial system. Each case is heard on its own merit and decisions are made based on each set of circumstances. The faculty senate suggested that the judicial process be looked at for isolated cases, such as the incident that recently happened on campus and the sanctions that were imposed.

## REPORTS

Chair Bailey reported on the Academic Affairs Council Planning Retreat. The two areas that were discussed at length were distance learning and student advising. These two areas should be addressed in the near future. The council of academic deans has been working on some distance education issues as well and they are interested in working cooperatively to address the distance education issues.

Dr. Stan Myers (Agri) reported from the calendar committee on the 2002-2003 calendar. At this time there are 2250 minutes for MWF/TR classes. That is 45 MWF classes and 30 TR classes. This is in alignment with other universities of our size and in our region. There was discussion concerning whether final class periods are counted in the total class contact hours or are extra. There was also discussion concerning the need for a study day.

## OLD BUSINESS

Chair Bailey addressed the issue of the staff senate drug awareness committee request for input from the faculty senate. The executive committee recommends that we would allow the staff senate committee to continue their work without disruption of their membership by adding additional members at this time. However, the faculty are willing to review their final draft before it is brought to the staff senate for approval.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Chair Bailey brought forth from the executive committee the nomination to accept the following persons to serve on the following faculty senate committees. An (\*) asterisk indicates a senator or officer. B. Bennett second the motion. Motion passed.

#### **Distance Education Committee**

Mark Hoeting \_ Computer Services \_ ex\_officio  
Jerry Linnstaedter \_ Assoc. VPAA \_ ex\_officio

William Allen \_ CLT and Art  
Brady Banta \_ Library  
Audrey Bowser\_Brown \_ Prof. Education Programs  
Carole Campbell \_ Elementary Education  
David Dearman \_ Accounting  
Cathy Hall \_ Nursing  
David Harding \_ Political Science  
Mary Jackson\_Pitts \_ Radio and Television  
Lew Johnson \_ Special Education  
\*Clint Relyea \_ Marketing and Management  
\*Nonie Wiggins \_ Nursing

#### **Finance Committee**

Brady Banta \_ Library  
\*Veda McClain \_ Elementary Education  
Donna Meester \_ Theatre Arts  
Louella Moore \_ Accounting, Finance, and Law  
Andy Sustich \_ Chemistry & Physics

#### **Handbook Committee**

Barbara Doyle \_ Freshman Studies  
Joanna Grymes \_ Elementary Education  
Cyndy Hendershot \_ English & Philosophy  
Bill Humphrey \_ Agriculture Studies  
\*Mary Jean Rutherford \_ Health Professions  
Whitney Williams \_ Health Professions

#### **Status of the Profession Committee**

Debbie Clymer \_ Communication Disorders  
Joanna Grymes \_ Elementary Education  
Mary Jackson\_Pitts \_ Radio and Television  
\*Dee Layton \_ Freshman Studies  
Kent Staley \_ English & Philosophy (on leave in spring)

Chair Bailey clarified the request from the Jonesboro Sun to have access to the faculty senate only list-serve not the faculty list-serve. He has not heard from Lucinda McDaniel as to the status of this request.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Maynard expressed concern about the theft of the Herold and the lack of communications about the pursuit of the instigators and sanctions for this behavior. Chair Bailey will investigate this matter by letter to the president.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bailey adjourned the meeting at 4:29