

MSU Faculty Senate March 2007 Minutes

The MSU Faculty Senate met at 3:00 p.m. on March 8, 2007, in the Cheyenne Room of the CSC. Senators present included: Cate, Rodney; Coe, Mary Ann; Comello, Robert; Donovan, Tim; Garrison, Steve; Goldberg, Gary; Gorham, Jim; Guthrie, Paul; Johnson, Tina; May, Marsha; McClintock, Stuart (Secretary); McNeely, Tom (Parliamentarian); Owen, James; Paddack, Ted; Redmon, Bob (Chair); Stiles, Beverly (Vice-Chair); Watts, Lynette.

Roxanne Gooch represented Stephen Lunce.

The agenda was approved. February minutes had previously been approved by e-mail.

Current Business:

1. Committee Review Report: Senators Coe, Lewandowski, and May were members of an ad hoc committee that studied the various committees on campus and recommended several changes. Their report follows.

The Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Committees met on Tuesday, March 6, 2007, and deliberated the MSU committee structure. The charge of the committee was to recommend changes to the committee structure, including deletion, merging, modifying or adding of committees. Accordingly, the committee makes the following recommendations.

Recommendation #1

The University Website Committee has served as an advisory group to Public Information and Marketing. With the latest proposed revisions to the website, the committee was not consulted. If the committee is not being used to serve its charge, the committee should be deleted. If not, the committee should be consulted in further renovations of the website.

Recommendation #2

In recent reorganization of certain administrative positions, namely the positions of Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Enrollment Management and Associate Provost, certain conflicts on councils/committees have occurred. The titles used and the appropriateness of each position on the councils/committees needs to be addressed. The councils/committees affected include but are not limited to Academic Council, Student Success Committee and Uniform Recruitment and Retention Committee.

Recommendation #3

The list of personnel on the Graduate Council includes the graduate coordinators. It has come to the committee's attention that in at least one college the department chairs, rather than the graduate coordinators, are sitting on the council. This needs to be rectified either by the personnel listing being changed or the persons attending/sitting on the council being more appropriately assigned.

Recommendation #4

The wording for personnel for the Committee for the Preservation of Sikes House need to be corrected as indicated with a red strike-through. *A professional in the field of interior design with knowledge and experience in historical preservation (chair), a representative of one of the architectural consulting firms retained by the university, the Director of the Physical Plant, the spouse of the University President, and up to four persons from the community;* ~~*and. The latter will serve as the chairperson of the committee.*~~

Recommendation #5

As the Student Insurance Committee appears to be a committee that is needed only every few years (if that) the committee recommends that this committee become an ad hoc, rather than standing, committee.

Recommendation #6

To bring the committee personnel appointment process in line with what other universities are doing, the committee recommends the creation of the following.

Committee on Committees

Purpose: To a) serve as an advisory group to the Provost on the MSU committee structure, including deletion, merging, modifying or adding of committees, and b) recommend membership of committees (as assigned) to the President.

Personnel: Six members of the Faculty Senate, each representing one of the six colleges, and the Faculty Senate Chair who will serve as the committee chair. Each member of the committee other than the chair will serve a two year rotating term with members from Business Administration, Fine Arts and Science and Mathematics appointed in even numbered years and members from Education, Health Sciences and Human Services, and Humanities and Social Sciences in odd numbered years.

Reports to: Provost and President

Senator Owen, with a second from Parliamentarian McNeely, moved for the Senate to endorse the recommendations of the ad hoc committee and to forward them to the Provost. The motion passed.

2. In a related committee issue, Provost Wiedemann has proposed a new committee called the Academic Computing Committee. Its charge would be to coordinate software purchases to meet requirements of accountability agencies. Further, the committee will make sure these software purchases are compatible with major university software such as Banner. A faculty member from each college, a university technology expert, and the Director of Institutional Research would be members of this committee that will report to the Provost and the President. Parliamentarian McNeely moved for the Senate to endorse the proposed committee. Vice-Chair Stiles seconded the motion, and it passed. There was a negative vote.

3. Tenure and Promotion Changes: Chair Redmon read changes to the tenure and promotion rules recommended by the ad hoc Tenure and Promotion Review Committee led by Dean Fischli. These recommended modifications had also been distributed to the Senate by e-mail some weeks before this meeting. Parliamentarian McNeely moved for the Senate to endorse the changes that have been recommended. Vice-Chair Stiles seconded the motion, and it passed.

In a related tenure and promotion issue, Chair Redmon read six additional general recommendations made by this ad hoc review committee. Senator Donovan, with a second from Senator May, moved for the Senate to endorse these additional recommendations. The motion passed.

In another tenure and promotion issue, Senator Coe, with a second from Senator Johnson, moved for the Senate to endorse the Provost's additional recommendation for the tenure and promotion rules in which a candidate's tenure application and his/her promotion application will be submitted separately. If one of the applications receives two negative votes, it will be removed from further committee consideration, but the other application will continue.

The motion passed.

4. Traffic on campus. At the February Faculty Senate meeting, Senator Donovan brought up several problems about traffic on campus. Senators were asked to get input from members of the campus community about their concerns regarding this issue. Many see traffic on campus as a serious issue that needs to be addressed. Problems mentioned were speeding; drivers disregarding traffic signs; pedestrians, who do have the right-of-way, paying little attention; and lack of enforcement by the campus police. The Senate decided it did not have the expertise in traffic-flow management to make specific recommendations to solve these problems.

Senator Goldberg made the motion, with a second from Senator Donovan, for the Senate to request that the administration create a master plan to make a more pedestrian-friendly campus that moves toward having a vehicle-free core. The motion passed.

Committee and Other Reports

1. Administrative Council: no report
2. Board of Regents (Redmon): see *Committee Reports* at the end of the minutes. The Chair's report includes his "Faculty Report to the Board of Regents" and the report on the BOR meeting itself.
3. Academic Council (Stiles): see *Committee Reports* at the end of the minutes
4. Enrollment Management Council (May): see *Committee Reports* at the end of the minutes
5. Intercollegiate Athletics Council: no report
6. Alumni Association Council: no report
7. Student Affairs Council: no report
8. Other active committees: no reports
9. Financial report: The Faculty Senate has \$1,748.

Closing Items:

New Business:

1. The Writing Proficiency Exam: Some faculty members have expressed concern about the grading of the Writing Proficiency Exam. The Senate will invite the person in charge of the WPE to address the Senate at its next meeting.

Committee Reports

Faculty Report to the Board of Regents

As Chair of the Faculty Senate, I thank the Board of Regents for the opportunity to speak on behalf of the Midwestern State University faculty. The faculty gratefully acknowledges the unwavering respect and support of the students, university administration, and Board of Regents.

At the risk of sounding like a broken record, given my report at the November Board meeting, I nevertheless feel it is important to remind the Board of the continuing need to find some way to address the inequities resulting from salary compression in particular and low faculty salaries in general. It is not just about cost of living and is very easy to justify.

These inequities limit MSU's ability to retain its current professors and attract quality new faculty to replace those who retire and those who leave the university in favor of positions elsewhere. Many critical tenure track positions remain vacant due to a lack of quality applicants. Because of this, MSU employs far too many adjunct professors -- underpaid, part time instructors who owe no allegiance to the university and shoulder no extra curricular faculty responsibilities, actually increasing the load on regular faculty.

Midwestern State University's mission cannot be fulfilled without a strong and dedicated faculty. The Faculty Senate believes that retaining current faculty and attracting the best new professors to MSU depends heavily upon our offering salaries and fringe benefits that are competitive with the best institutions of our size and mission in Texas and across the nation. Given the current political climate, we also believe that the university should begin to take responsible steps to make itself less dependent upon the whims of state government.

Salary compression is a divisive issue that erodes collegiality and devastates faculty morale. It continues to be one of the most pressing concerns voiced at Faculty Senate. Higher salaries needed to attract new faculty are diminishing available funds and restricting raises for existing faculty. Many veteran members of the faculty are earning only slightly more than new hires, and some are earning less. Knowing that a move to another university, even one within Texas, will likely result in a significant increase in salary fuels discontent and prompts valuable professors to leave MSU.

The faculty appreciates the value of improving facilities and housing, but I would like to remind the Board that the FACULTY is the heart of the university. A dedicated faculty with high morale is critical to the ability of the university to achieve its stated mission. Who else will shepherd an academic community that focuses, refines, and challenges our students' understanding? Who else will provide the excellent teaching while cultivating and facilitating the research, the service, and the intellectual growth we promise our

students. Who else will nurture our students, encourage them to set lofty goals and expectations, and show them, by personal example, the value of life long learning?

Since recent predictions regarding state contributions to higher education suggest that little additional funding will be forthcoming in the near future, it is wise of the Board to seek more reliable ways to fund salary increases and improve student services at MSU. Though the faculty is acutely aware of the rising *costs* of higher education, we are also concerned with the *quality* of higher education. To that end, given the vagary of state funding, the faculty fully supports the timely, measured increase in student tuition and fees proposed by university administration.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Redmon, EdD.
Associate Professor of Education and Reading
West College of Education
February 8, 2007

Board of Regents Meeting Report

The Midwestern State University Board of Regents met February 8 and 9, 2007.

Though enrollment is down approximately 200 students compared to last spring, the number of freshmen and transfer students already admitted for fall 07 is already much higher than last year at this time, suggesting that enrollment for fall 08 will be up. Much of the increase in enrollment is coming from the DFW area and out of state.

The following projects and expenditures were authorized:

1. The 2008 budget includes a (minimum) 3% cost of living raise for faculty and staff. Additionally, the budget includes \$200,000 set aside for reducing faculty salary compression. Administration suggests that the faculty/staff raise may be increased if greater funds are available. The Board voted to retain Dr. Rogers as University President at a salary of \$237,560 for FY 2008 (approximately 7% over his 2007 salary of \$220, 896).
2. A student recreation and health facility will be constructed on the south campus (south of Midwestern Parkway and west of Louis Rodriguez Blvd. between Midwestern Parkway and Sikes Lake) at a cost of \$13.4 million. Expected completion date is August 2008. [This followed an amazing AV presentation by the architects. This is going to be a fine addition to the MSU campus, even though the ducks from Sikes Lake will surely wish to join students in cohabitation of the “wet” activity facilities (note: not a swimming pool-only four feet deep) located between the building and the lake.]

3. A softball field will be constructed at the north east corner of Louis Rodriguez and Midwestern Parkway. Expected completion is mid March 2007. [This project will cost 400, 000 (\$100, 000 more than the original estimate due to a design change requiring the removal of a significant amount of parking lot and a very high fence intended to keep foul balls off of Midwestern Parkway).]
4. Fowler/Engineering building will be renovated to provide “state-of-the-art” facilities required by the new engineering program, costing \$7.2 million. [Contrary to earlier published designs, the current plan does not increase the footprint of Fowler.]
5. Planning will proceed for an addition to on-campus housing (for 150-300 additional students).
6. Dr. Bob Clark was named to the new position of Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Enrollment Management.
7. Mr. Mike Snow was named to the new position of Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness/Director of Institutional Research and Planning. This new position reports directly to the Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Enrollment Management.
8. Dr. Emerson Capps was named to the new position of Associate Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies.
9. Campus housing and food service rates for fall 2007, spring 2008, and summer 2008 were increased by approximately 3%.
10. Joseph N. Sherrill Jr. was added to the Legacy Walk.
11. Board Designated Tuition for the fall 2007 semester was increased in the amount of \$12 per semester credit hour, from the current \$66 to \$78. Tuition may be increased by an additional \$6 per semester credit hour after determining what the state appropriation to Midwestern State University will be. Any increase above \$12 per semester credit hour requires separate approval of the board chairperson. [Both Student Government and Faculty Senate went on record in support of these increases.]
12. Plans moving forward to set a tuition cap (5% per year for entering students) effective with the fall 2007 semester, with final details to be presented at the May 2007 Board of Regents meeting.
13. Computer Use Fee for the fall 2007 semester was increased in the amount of \$3 per semester credit hour, from \$12 to \$15.
14. Certain program related course fees were increased beginning fall 2007:

Course Fees/per SCH	Current	Proposed	Academic Council Minutes
Biology (BIOL)	\$10	\$20	The Academic Council met Wednesday, December 20, at 2:00 in
Chemistry (CHEM)	\$10	\$20	
Environmental Science (ENSC)	\$10	\$20	
Geosciences (GEOS)	\$10	\$20	
Physics (PHYS)	\$10	\$20	
Art (ART)	\$9	\$12	
Dental Hygiene (DNHY)	\$9	\$15	
Nursing (NURS)	\$9	\$15	
Manufacturing Engineering Technology (MENT)	\$7	\$25	
Mechanical Engineering (MENG)	\$7	\$25	
Computer Science (CMPS)	\$6	\$15	

the Cheyenne room of the Clark Student Center. Voting members in attendance were: Dr. Emerson Capps, Dr. David Wierschem substituting for Dr. Anthony Chelte, Dr. Ron Fischli, Dr. Grant Simpson, Dr. Susy Sportsman, Dr. Betty Stewart, Dr. Bev Stiles, and Dr. Sam Watson Mr. Jason York was absent.

Other attendees included Dr. Robert Clark, Ms. Darla English, Dr. Clara Latham, Ms. Barbara Merkle, and Ms. Diane Spiller.

Dr. Friederike Wiedemann presided.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Wiedemann called for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2006 meeting.

Dr. Fischli made the motion, Dr. Simpson seconded, and the motion was adopted. (closed)

Old Business

There being no Old Business to discuss, the Council moved on to New Business.

New Business

1. Graduate Course and Catalog Changes

Dr. Capps made a motion to adopt the following graduate course and catalog changes.

Dr. Fischli seconded, and the motion was adopted. (closed)

The Graduate Council approved the following changes to the MHA and MPA program. The addition of HSAD and PUAD 6063, Advanced Research, has required a change in the structure of the program sequence.

A. MHA catalog changes:

average is required for graduation, and students must have a grade of B or better in all courses in the major. **STRUCTURE OF PROGRAMS:** *Lockstep/Part-time programs:* The MHA program is conducted as a 45 credit lockstep structure whereby students take specific courses during semester sequences. Although students start in the fall semester, exceptions are made for those who want to start in the spring semester. Limited MHA part-time slots are available.

Core Courses: All Health Services Administration students must complete the courses offered in the semesters specified below except for the elective. At this time the department has approved four elective courses from which students may select. Other courses may be approved at the discretion of the department. Students from other Master's Programs with Health Services Administration Major or Specialization - see respective catalog area.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

MHA - 45 semester credit hours are required. See MHA course sequence below for specific courses and the semesters in which they are offered.

Fall:

HSAD 5103 Health Services Administration 3 hrs.

HSAD 5113 Health Care Financial Management I 3 hrs.

HSAD 5123 Health Care Personnel 3 hrs.

Spring:

HSAD 5153 Managed Care 3 hrs.

HSAD 5293 Managerial Epidemiology and Biostatistics 3 hrs.

HSAD 5253 Health Services Research 3 hrs.

Summer:

HSAD 5143 Health Care Law and Bioethics 3 hrs.

HSAD 5233 Health Policy and Macroeconomics 3 hrs.

HSAD 5273 Health Care Ethics 3 hrs.

Fall:

HSAD 5203 Health Care Marketing and Microeconomics 3 hrs.

HSAD 5223 Health Informatics 3 hrs.

HSAD 6063 Advanced Research 3hours*

Spring:

HSAD 5133 Health Systems Analysis 3 hrs.

HSAD 5213 Capstone: Health Services Strategic Management 3 hrs.

HSAD 5163 Health Administration Problems (Residency) 3 hrs.

HSAD 6063 Advanced Research 3hours*

***Taken only one time after completing at least 18 credit hours and HSAD 5253**

Students who have earned a bachelor's degree, but who are not enrolled in the MHA program may elect to complete one of the graduate certificates offered by the department. The course requirements for each of these certificates are listed below.

Graduate Certificate in Health Services Administration - 18 semester hours:

(MPA students see page 138)

HSAD 5103 Health Services Administration 3 hrs.

HSAD 5113 Health Care Financial Management I 3 hrs.

HSAD 5123 Health Care Personnel 3 hrs.

HSAD 5133 Health Systems Analysis 3 hrs.

HSAD 5143 Health Care Law and Bioethics 3 hrs.

HSAD 5153 Managed Care 3 hrs.

Graduate Certificate in Long Term Care - 18 semester hours:
HSAD 5103 Health Services Administration 3 hrs.
HSAD 5113 Health Care Financial Management I 3 hrs.
HSAD 5123 Health Care Personnel 3 hrs.
HSAD 5143 Health Care Law and Bioethics 3 hrs.
HSAD 5213 Health Services Strategic Management 3 hrs.
HSAD 5243 Long Term Care Administration 3 hrs.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

See the respective MBA, MSN and MPA areas of this catalog for specific departmental graduation requirements.

During the last semester of the program, students must complete a 160 hour residency in the HSAD 5163 course, or make other residency arrangements with the departmental academic review committee's approval. The residency must be at a health organization outside of the student's worksite. A portfolio and oral examination must be presented by the student indicating a significant project completed at the residency. The portfolio cannot be counted towards the research paper. In rare cases, where a student has already gained substantial administrative experience, they may opt with the department's approval, to enroll in HSAD 6003 in place of the residency. In HSAD 6003, the student will be required to complete a significant paper focusing on management issues in health care administration. All MHA students must complete a research paper following the guidelines in this catalog. For more details, please refer to the department's website. Upon completion of the paper, students will formally present it and will also complete an oral comprehensive exam at that time.

GCHSA/GCLTC: All Graduate Certificate students must complete a research paper following the guidelines in this catalog. If the paper is not complete by the end of their required courses, the student must enroll in HSAD 6003 until the paper meets standards.

B. MPA catalog changes:

academic review committee for re-admission after he or she has been officially dismissed from the program. Approval of a waiver, or a re-admission, request will be based upon the student's written essay in his or her original application, the trend of undergraduate and graduate grades, professional work experience, letter of request, GRE analytical score, and consideration of letters of recommendation. Approval of a waiver moves the student to conditional status, which shall be evaluated after each attempted twelve hours of academic credit.

Requirements for Academic Good Standing

Any student who receives two grades of C or D, or a combination of C and D, or receives one grade of F will be administratively removed from the program. MPA courses in which the student earns a grade of C or lower, may be repeated one time for a higher grade, with the approval of the department's academic review committee. A 3.0 overall grade point average is required for graduation, and students must have a grade of B or better in all courses in the major.

Core Curriculum

Each student shall complete the seven courses of the core curriculum, unless an equivalent course has been taken at the graduate level within the last 3 years. In such cases, a course substitution may be allowed subject to the approval of the department's academic review committee. Each core course is taught once a year; electives are taught in alternating years. The core curriculum courses are:

PUAD 5023 Quantitative Methods in Public Administration
PUAD 5133 Public Administration
PUAD 5923 Organizational Theory and Behavior
PUAD 5933 Human Resource Management in Government
PUAD 5943 Public Budgeting and Fiscal Administration
PUAD 5963 Capstone: Case Studies in Decision-Making
PUAD 6053 Seminar in Public Policy Analysis

MPA Thesis Degree

Core curriculum - 21 hours
Thesis Core - 6 hours
Electives - 9 hours

MPA Non-Thesis Degree Tracks:

General MPA Degree

Core curriculum - 21 hours

PUAD 6063 Advanced Research 3 hours

Electives - 12 hours

Graduate Certificate in Administration of Justice (39 semester hours) or Administration of Justice Specialization (36 semester hours)

Core curriculum - 21 hours

PUAD 5363 Administration of Justice*

PUAD 5373 Management in Criminal Justice Agencies*

PUAD 5383 Justice and Society*

PUAD 5253 Comparative Administration of Justice*

PUAD 6033 Seminar in Administration of Justice*

(for the specialization track, students take 5253 or 6033)

PUAD 6063 Advanced Research

*A graduate certificate in Administration of Justice (without MPA degree) can be earned by taking the courses listed above (18 semester hours).

Graduate Certificate in Health Services Administration (39 semester hours) or Health Services Administration Specialization* (36 semester hours)

Core curriculum - 21 hours

HSAD 5103 Health Services Administration

HSAD 5133 Health Systems Analysis

HSAD 5143 Health Care Law and Bioethics

HSAD 5153 Managed Care

HSAD 5213 Capstone: Health Services Strategic Management

HSAD 5293 Managerial Epidemiology and Biostatistics

PUAD 6063 Advanced Research (Required)

*For the specialization track, students are required to take 15 semester credit hours from the HSAD courses listed.

Requirements for a Graduate Minor in Public Administration

A minor requires eighteen hours in Public Administration.

Oral Examination

A comprehensive oral examination is required of all degree candidates.

Thesis/Research Paper

All thesis students must follow the requirements for a thesis as described in this catalog and those found in the MPA Graduate Handbook. All non-thesis and GCAJ students must complete a file paper.

Additional Electives

Some graduate courses from other academic programs may be applied to the MPA degree with the approval of the department academic review committee. Under limited circumstances a maximum of six hours of 4000 level courses may be taken for graduate credit with the approval of the department academic review committee.

2. Undergraduate Course and Catalog Changes

Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Dr. Watson made a motion to adopt the following course and catalog change. Dr. Capps seconded, and the motion was adopted. (closed)

1. New Course Addition effective Fall 2007:

GEOG 3023. Cultural Geography

Prerequisites: n/a

Description: An introduction to human achievement and their expression and diffusion across the geographic landscape: topics to be considered include agriculture, language, religion, political organization, technology, and other cultural aspects.

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College of Science and Mathematics

Dr. Stewart made a motion to adopt the following course and catalog changes.

Dr. Watson seconded, and the motion was adopted. (closed)

1. Change of Lecture/Lab Hours effective Spring 2007:

CMPS 2153. Microcomputer Applications for Business

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2. New Course Additions effective Spring 2007:

MENG 3003. Independent Study

Prerequisite: Instructor's approval

Description: Directed, intensive study in a mechanical engineering subject specified by the instructor.

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MENT 3003. Independent Study

Prerequisite: Instructor's approval

Description: Directed, intensive study in a manufacturing engineering technology subject specified by the instructor.

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Round Robin

- Dr. Clark announced that they are still working on the summer calendar for 2008. Two scenarios were distributed by the Senate to the colleges. He will report more as information becomes available. Dr. Clark stated that Dr. Rogers had announced that all staff members will go to a 5-day work week effective summer 2008.
- Dr. Clark reported that grade sheets for Honors students were submitted early as requested, but when the final grade sheets were turned in, they were marked differently in some instances. He asked that faculty be reminded to review their grade sheets carefully prior to turning them in. Once submitted, corrections must be sent to the college deans for action.
- Dr. Farris thanked the council for the e-mail vote conducted to approve the changes to the Honors Program.
- Ms. Spiller stated that she had contact with 25 potential students and that she is working with Ms. Merkle on this. She is also working on attending an advising conference in Arlington and she has participated in web workshops. Ms. Spiller has received information about a scheduling software package and she will do more research on it.
- Dr. Fischli reported that the Tenure and Promotion Policy Review Committee will send a copy of the proposed changes to Dr. Wiedemann once they are completed.
- Dr. Latham announced that due dates are renewed until the end of September. She asked that you let the librarians know if you have any problems with materials.
- Ms. Merkle reported that suspension letters went out and we were up by 16 from last year. She also reminded everyone that the Mustangs Rally will be February 17.
- Dr. Williams announced that we have a record number of 14 students going to France for the spring semester.
- Dr. Wierschem reported that they mailed out 5,500 college newsletters to alumni and they have received positive feedback which is very encouraging. They worked with the Annual Fund to help sort and send out 10 different types of questionnaires.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Schulte
Assistant to the Provost

*Paper copy of each original request will be attached to the approved minutes in the Office of the Provost.

Enrollment Management Council Report

The Enrollment Management Council met on February 12, 2007. The only item on the Agenda was registration dates for Summer and Fall 2007 which are listed below.

Early Registration

April 16 – May 4: First week (7:00a.m -10:00p.m. on the web)
Second & third weeks (7:00a.m.-7:00p.m.)

Other early/regular/late registration dates:

Summer I: May 21-24

Summer II: May 21-24, June 11-July 3

Fall: May 21-24, June 11-July 3, July 9 – August 1,
August 20-24, August 27 – 29 (late)

Spirit Days:

Session I: June 24-25

Session II: July 8 – 9

Session III: July 29 – 30

Transfer Spirit Day: August 1

Payment Deadlines

Summer I: May 24

Summer II: July 3

Fall: August 17 (early registration)

August 24 (regular registration)

August 29 (late registration)

Dr. Clark discussed the 2012 SACS accreditation visit. This accreditation is an on-going, assessment-driven process that will involve every member of the academic community. He emphasized that all changes to policy or procedures should be documented with copious notes and minutes should be taken on all meeting where changes are discussed.

The meeting concluded with a discussion of our new marketing process. MSU is the only school in Texas that allows students from all 50 states to pay in-state tuition plus \$30. MSU has already admitted 694 freshman (522 unconditional and 172 advised) for Fall 2007 which is 200 more than this time last year.

Submitted by Marsha May
Faculty Senate Representative

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart McClintock
Secretary for the Faculty Senate

Bob Redmon
Chairman of the Faculty Senate

The next Executive Committee meeting will be Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at 3:00 p.m. in the Caddo Room, CSC.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be Thursday, April 12, 2007, in the Cheyenne Meeting Room, CSC.