

MSU Faculty Senate

February 2011 Minutes

The MSU Faculty Senate met at 3:00 PM on February 10, 2011, in Kiowa Ex-Students room in CSC. Senators present included Bernard, Guy; Bultena, Charles (Treasurer); Callahan, Tom; Carlston, David (Vice-Chair); Fidelie, Laura; Green, Becky; Hammer, Margaret; Henschel, Don; Jun, Nathan; LaBeff, Emily; McClintock, Stuart (Secretary); McDonald, Terry; Medford, Ann (Parliamentarian); Mills, Dana; Powell, Francis; Shao, Jianguo; Veale, Beth; Vogtsberger, Roy. Randy Pruitt represented Jim Gorham.

Vice-Chair Carlston led the meeting in the absence of Chair Owen, who was attending the Board of Regents meeting.

The agenda was unanimously approved.

The minutes of the January meeting had been approved by e-mail vote.

Current Business:

1. A new Senator, Roy Vogtsberger, Associate Professor of Biology, was introduced. He will finish Jim Masuoka's term.

2. Dawn Fisher, Assistant Director of Human Resources, informed the Faculty Senate that AFLAC had approached the university to be allowed to sell its supplemental insurance on campus. Their request passed the Fringe Benefit Committee. While this insurance is not offered as a benefit with payroll deduction, employees of the university will receive group rates for this insurance. Employees can also take it with them when they leave the university.

3. Camille Allred announced that this year's Great Day of Service is Saturday, April 9, from 8 until noon. She hopes that the university can increase its participation from the already substantial 600 volunteers who helped in 2010. Contact her or Assistant Professor of Chemistry Candice Fulton (candice.fulton@mwsu.edu; 397-4450) with questions.

4. Dominique Calhoun, Coordinator of Multicultural Service, discussed two programs that student services is sponsoring and invited faculty to participate in these two programs. He stated that the university is partnering with the Wichita Falls Food Bank all semester and has set a goal of gathering 1922 pounds of food for the food bank. Student organizations are joining in the effort. Donations can be dropped off in the Clark Student Center at the Office of Student Development and Orientation (CSC 194). Student services is also sponsoring a Biggest Loser competition. There is a cash prize for the male and female student winners. Mr. Calhoun invited faculty to also join the competition which ends before spring break.

Whether a person enters the competition or not, he/she can raise money for the WF Food Bank by going to the Feeding America web site and committing to lose weight and/or to

maintain healthy eating habits. Feeding America will then donate five dollars to the WF Food Bank for each person who commits.

5. Associate Professor Paul Guthrie, Faculty Athletic Representative, made his annual report about student-athletes. He distributed a document with information on male and female student-athletes in each sport including their GPAs, graduation rates, days of class missed, and majors. He pointed out that the graduation rate of student-athletes is higher than it is for the general student body (45% vs. 30%) and that student athletes are pursuing forty-one different majors. (See statistics at the end of the minutes.)

6. Budget Oversight Committee. Three faculty members will form the Budget Oversight Committee. The Chair of the Faculty Senate is automatically a member. The Faculty Senate discussed the other candidates who had consented to serve on this committee. Senator Veale made a motion to have Terry Patton, Robert Madera Professor of Accounting, and Mark Farris, Professor of Mathematics and Director of the Honors Program, be the Faculty Senate's representatives on the committee. Senator LaBeff seconded the motion, and discussion ensued. Dr. Rogers had previously stated that he wanted representation from both the professional colleges and from the liberal arts colleges. Senators felt both candidates were good choices because of their experience analyzing budgets and their commitment to the university. The motion passed unanimously. Vice-Chair Carlston thought it would be a good idea to invite the members of the Budget Oversight Committee to the March Faculty Senate meeting to hear faculty concerns about the budget and the budget process. Senators are to poll faculty members and get a list of concerns to present to the Budget Oversight Committee at the next meeting.

Committee and Other Reports:

1. Administrative Council (Owen) (no report)
2. Board of Regents (Owen): (no report)
3. Academic Council (Carlston): (no report)
4. Enrollment Management (Mills): Senator Mills reported that there is a proposal to begin academic advising for new students earlier in August in order to avoid the crush that occurs when students all arrive later in August. He also stated that Kathy Pennartz in the Financial Aid Office does not know about scholarships for next year due to the present uncertainty about the state budget.
5. Intercollegiate Athletics Council (Gorham): (no report)
6. Student Affairs (Williamson): (no report)
7. Financial report (Bultena): The Faculty Senate has \$714.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart McClintock
Secretary of the Faculty Senate

David Carlston
Vice- Chair of the Faculty Senate

The next Executive Committee meeting will be at 3 PM on Thursday, March 3, 2011, in the Apache Board Room of CSC.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be at 3 PM on Thursday, March 10, 2011, in Kiowa Ex-Students Dining Room in CSC.

Report from Paul Guthrie, Faculty Athletic Representative

Team GPA's

<u>Team</u>	<u>Fall 2009</u>	<u>Spring + Summer 2010</u>	<u>Overall</u>
Men's BB	2.03	2.25	2.38
Women's BB	2.36	2.64	2.67
Football	2.20	2.18	2.47
Men's Golf	2.70	2.78	2.74
Women's Golf	2.92	3.02	3.01
Men's Soccer	2.59	3.01	2.90
Women's Soccer	3.03	2.97	3.00
Men's Tennis	3.18	3.27	3.36
Women's Tennis	2.65	3.33	3.15
Cross Country	2.95	3.33	3.18
Softball	2.93	3.02	3.09
Volleyball	2.93	3.25	3.20

Missed Class Time

Team

Men's BB	14
Women's BB	7
Football	1
Men's Golf	23
Women's Golf	18
Men's Soccer	9
Women's Soccer	11
Men's Tennis	8
Women's Tennis	10
Cross Country	4
Softball	10
Volleyball	11

MAJORS

SFMT	33	MIS	2	POLS	1
MKTG	5	ENGL	5	PENG	1
KNES	13	PPHT	3		
SOCL	5	PSYC	6		
MCOM	9	CHEM	1		
BAAS	7	MATH	1		
CRJU	36	ECED	5		
MGMT	13	SOWK	2		
CMPS	3	PPSY	3		
GBUS	22	SPAN	1		

ACCT	10	ECON	2
MENG	11	EXPH	7
BIOL	6	ART	2
HIST	3	DNHY	4
ENSC	4	IMTH	2
FINC	9	INST	1
NURS	13	ATRN	2
PMED	1	PPHM	1
UNDC	29	SPED	2
RADG	8	RESP	1