

Faculty Senate Meeting  
Thursday, September 15, 2016, 3:30 PM  
Library Rooms 209 A&B

Dr. Porter called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm, and thanked Student Affairs for providing snacks.

The following members were present:

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| Dr. Bill Abrams          | Dr. Kellyn Hall             | Dr. Tim Pierson       |
| Ms. Jennifer Beach       | Mr. Jeff Halliday           | Dr. Sarah Porter      |
| Dr. Roger Byrne          | Mr. Carl Harvey             | Dr. Lissa Power-deFur |
| Dr. Rhonda Brock-Servais | Dr. Patricia Horne Hastings | Dr. Carl Riden        |
| Dr. Lisa Edwards-Burrs   | Mrs. Claire LaRoche         | Dr. Sean Ruday        |
| Dr. Phillip Cantrell     | Dr. Mary Lehman             | Mr. Brent Roberts     |
| Dr. Mary Carver          | Dr. Brett Martz             | Dr. Bill Thompson     |
| Dr. Cynthia Crews        | Dr. Sara Miller             | Dr. Meg Thompson      |
| Dr. Kevin Doyle          | Dr. Joan Neff               | Dr. Bennie Waller     |
| Ms. Tracy Neill          | Ms. Kelly Nelson            | Dr. Linda Wright      |
| Dr. Adam Franssen        | Dr. Adam Paulek             |                       |

Also present were Dr. Jennifer Apperson, Dr. Sharon Emmerson-Stonnell, Dr. Lara Fergeson, Ms. Victoria Kindon, Mr. Justin Pope, Mr. Shun Qin, and members of the Core Curriculum Committee.

Members not present were Dr. Paul Barrett, Dr. Chris Bjornsen, Dr. Paul Chapman, Mr. Ken Copeland, Dr. Alix Fink, Dr. Jackie Hall, Dr. Jeannine Perry, Pres. Taylor Reveley.

The minutes from the April 21, 2016 meeting were approved as posted.

Dr. Porter asked all senators present to introduce themselves. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee was also introduced. Senators were asked to report back to their departments after each meeting with a written summary of the meeting, with copies to Dr. Porter, and Carol Anderson (recorder.)

Committee assignments were approved as listed on the Faculty Senate web page.

Dr. Kevin Doyle discussed the outcome of the Graduate Task Force. The Graduate Council will use the report as a road map and guidelines for the one, three, five, and ten year periods. Any items requiring Faculty Senate approval will be brought to the Senate on an individual basis. Also mentioned: students voted that the Graduate Student Advisory Council be separated from the Student Government Association (SGA,), and that funds have been increased for graduate assistanceships. Dr. Porter thanked the Task Force on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee and asked for a motion to endorse the report. Dr. Kellyn Hall made the motion. The report was endorsed unanimously. Dr. Doyle will present the Senate with an update next semester.

Dr. Sharon Emmerson-Stonnell and Dr. Lara Fergeson gave a report on the work completed by the Academic Core Curriculum Committee (ACCC) on the Core Curriculum. The information and action items were discussed and can be found on the Faculty Senate web page in the reports section. Senators were asked to discuss all aspects the plan with their departments before the October Senate meeting. Dr.

Porter asked everyone to send the Executive Committee discussion points to be considered at the October Faculty Senate meeting to encourage an efficient and productive discussion. The proposals will also be taken to the Academic Chairs Council (ACC) for review and discussion. Course proposals are making their way through the Educational Policy Committee (EPC). A vote on the final proposal will be scheduled for the November Faculty Senate meeting. Dr. Porter thanked everyone for their continued efforts.

Dr. Jeff Halliday talked about the Finance and Planning Report which is posted on the Faculty Senate webpage. Among the topics discussed were the drop in enrollment, and merit and compression based compensation issues. The University Planning Committee (UPC) Finance and Planning Subcommittee will meet again next month. The Board of Visitors (BOV) is also interested in enrollment and the cost of the debate, which remains within the original budget proposal.

Dr. Porter turned the meeting over to announcements and new business. Dr. Lissa Power-deFur thanked the Senators for the opportunity to represent the faculty to the BOV for a second year. She shared how the BOV enjoys the faculty reports and encouraged all to send to her news of accomplishments and other items of note to share with them.

Ms. Jennifer Beach introduced Ms. Natalie Browning, the new Greenwood Library Librarian, and extended an invitation to attend the welcome for the new Greenwood Library Dean, Mr. Brent Roberts, at the meetings end.

All faculty were asked to review the new final exam schedule for changes.

Dr. Bill Abrams solicited suggestions on how best to reach students electronically.

Ms. Victoria Kindon and Mr. Justin Pope engaged the Faculty Senators in a question and answer session regarding the Vice Presidential Debate, which will take place at Longwood on October 4, 2016.

Dr. Bennie Waller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Abrams seconded the motion. Dr. Porter adjourned the meeting at 4:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Anderson