

Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, November 11, 2010
Library rooms 209 A&B

Dr. Fergeson called the meeting to order at 3:30 and thanked the Bookstore for the wonderful refreshments. The following members were present:

Dr. Bill Abrams	Dr. Lara Fergeson	Dr. Cathy Roy
Dr. Jennifer Apperson	Dr. Alix Fink	Dr. David Shoenthal
Dr. Wendell Barbour	Dr. Mikie Flanigan	Dr. Gena Southall
Dr. Lee Bidwell	Dr. Lily Goetz	Dr. Bill Stuart
Dr. Gretchen Braun	Dr. David Hardin	Dr. Pam Tracy
Dr. Theresa Clark	Dr. Chris Jones	Dr. Linda Wright
Dr. Scott Cole	Dr. Linda Lau	Mr. Keenan Crump
Ms. Kerri Cushman	Ms. Sharon Menegoni	
Dr. Rodney Dunning	Dr. Gerald Montoya	

Not attending were Dr. Paul Barrett, Dr. Ryan Hebert, Dr. Deneese Jones, Dr. Anthony Koyzis, Dr. Mark Lenker, Dr. Ken Perkins, Dr. Tim Pierson, Dr. Charles Ross, Dr. Robin Smith, and Ms. Kathy Worster. Others present were Dr. Mc Amoss, Dr. Chuck Blauvelt, Ms. Cathy Charleston, Ms. Cynthia Erickson, Ms. Melinda Fowlkes, Mr. David Hooper, Dr. Ed Kinman, Dr. Lisa Kinzer, Ms. Michelle Meadows, Mr. Christian Munson, Mr. Glenn Parker, Ms. Tatiana Pashkova-Balkenhol, Dr. Jeannine Perry, Ms. Karen Schinabeck, Ms. Melissa Shepherd.

The minutes for the meeting on November 28 were approved as posted.

Dr. Fergeson recognized Ms. Menegoni who presented the EPC information items and then moved the approval of the Withdrawal Policy and Repeated Course Policy (posted on the Senate web page). Dr. Abrams moved its implementation in 2012 to give students time to prepare for the change. His motion was seconded and carried. After considerable discussion and information from Ms. Meadows and Ms. Schinabeck, Dr. Jones moved that the motion be returned to committee for the addition of a justification for the proposed changes. His motion was seconded, and it passed.

Ms. Menegoni moved the approval of a Course Prefix proposal (posted on the web page). Dr. Abrams moved the slight rewording of the proposal by moving the word *only* in the second and third sentences to a position before the word *by*. The motion was seconded and it carried. After many questions and much discussion, Dr. Abrams called the question. His motion was seconded and passed. The main motion was defeated.

Dr. Fergeson called on Dr. Blauvelt to answer questions about his report on the recent meeting at Longwood of the Faculty Senate of Virginia (posted on the Senate web page). The group thinks the bill on Dependent Tuition for public college and university faculty is iffy. It has not succeeded in the past. The Optional Retirement Plan Conversion is also unlikely to succeed in the Legislature because of costs.

Dr. Fergeson recognized Dr. Amoss who reported on QEP (Quality Enhancement Plan) required by SACS. Unlike other SACS compliance reporting, dealing with the University's past and present, QEP is a plan for the future, for focusing institutional attention on one area of student learning, implementing changes, and assessing improvement in that area. Funding for implementing the QEP must be included in the

University budget. Dr. Amoss presented a power point description of the tentative time line and the process to be followed, a process involving all constituencies of the University. The link to this information is <http://www.longwood.edu/staff/amossbm/QEPpresentation.ppt>.

Dr. Fergeson asked Mr. Hooper and Mr. Munson to talk to the Senate about a new online video initiative, Trend Line, which showcases faculty expertise on popular topics discussed (or searched) on websites such as Google, Twitter, YouTube, etc. These brief comments by faculty bringing an academic slant to contemporary trends and have an exponential effect in spreading recognition of Longwood and its faculty to the public and to potential students. They showed a brief clip of Dr. Brock-Servais discussing the vampire genre in literature and film as related to the TV show "Vampire Diaries." Mr. Hooper invited all those with questions or suggestions on how best to boost participation (and determine expert faculty to participate) to get in touch with him (email: hooperdv; phone 2099).

Dr. Fergeson asked Dr. Stuart to give a brief report on the Finance and Budget Committee. The Committee had a productive meeting with P resident Finnegan who was interested in concerns about the budgeting process. There was also a meeting of the University Budget and Planning Committee, of which the Senate Finance and Budget Committee is a part. The committee recognized the need to develop a charge, and Dr. Jones, Dr. Ross, and Dr. Stuart are drafting a charge. Dr. Stuart mentioned briefly the 2%, 4%, and 6% scenarios of budget cuts public agencies were required to submit to the state. Dr. Perkins worked on his in consultation with the Deans. Unfortunately if there is a 6% cut, which would amount to a net reduction of 42% over the last three years, tuition increases would be necessary.

Dr. Fergeson recognized Mr. Keenan Crump who presented two issues SGA has raised. First is the concern that faculty members might be able to recognize students who fill out evaluations and provide written comments, especially when students have the same faculty member several times, which is likely in the course of a major. The faculty discussion some time ago about an online platform for evaluations was mentioned, and this concern might be a fresh impetus to revisit that possibility. Second, students are concerned that the largest major in HARK, Exercise Science, has only two professors. Students feel that they are not receiving adequate attention when they need individual attention. Dr. Roy assured Mr. Crump that the problem is being addressed.

Dr. Fergeson asked for volunteers to participate in the ad hoc committee on parental leave and on a committee to work on LOTI policy—e.g. class size, handling of appeals.

Dr. Abrams moved adjournment and the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Susan May