

Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, November 10, 2011
Library 209 A&B

Dr. Fergeson called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m. The following members were present:

Dr. Bill Abrams	Dr. David Hardin	Dr. Ken Perkins
Dr. Tom Akre	Dr. Chris Jones	Dr. Jeannine Perry
Dr. Ayse Balas	Dr. Deneese Jones	Dr. Charles Ross
Dr. Paul Barrett	Dr. David Lehr	Dr. Robin Smith
Dr. Lee Bidwell	Dr. David Locascio	Dr. Chris Swanson
Dr. Stephanie Buchert	Dr. David Magill	Dr. Derek Taylor
Dr. Theresa Clark	Ms. Sharon Menegoni	Mr. Ben Tyree
Dr. Melody Eaton	Ms. Suzy Palmer	Dr. Linda Wright
Dr. Lily Goetz	Ms. Tatiana Pashkova-	Dr. Melissa Yeager
Dr. Jackie Hall	Blakenhol	

Members not present were Ms. Kerri Cushman, Dr. Rodney Dunning, Ms. Melissa Panzarello, Dr. Tim Pierson, Dr. Gena Southall, Dr. William Thomson, Ms. Kathy Worster. Also attending were Cr. Chuck Blauvelt, Mr. Keith Boswell, Dr. Robert Frank, Dr. Mark Lenker, Dr. Larissa Tracy, Dr. Pam Tracy, and Ms. Patti Trent.

Dr. Fergeson's announcement that the Bookstore had provided the snacks was greeted with applause.

The minutes for October 13, 2011, were approved as distributed.

Ms. Menegoni presented the EPC Report (posted on the Senate web page) which contained information items only. There were no questions.

Dr. Fergeson recognized Dr. Buchert who moved on behalf of the Admissions Committee changes in the committee name, description, and membership (posted on the web page). After brief discussion the motion passed.

For the Advisory Board for the Center for Faculty Enrichment Committee Dr. Smith moved the approval of changes in the title, membership, method of selection, and chair. Ms. Menegoni proposed an amendment of the term of office so that it would read "3 years, staggered." The amendment was seconded and passed. Dr. Abrams proposed an amendment to the membership to include a faculty representative from the Cormier Honors College. The motion was seconded and passed. Dr. Magill proposed an amendment striking the first sentence of Purpose and Duties and changing the second to read "This committee shall make recommendations on any or all activities of the CAFÉ, suggest speakers and/or topics, assist with activities, and serve as liaison with the colleges." His motion was seconded and passed. The main motion passed as amended.

Dr. Fergeson reported on the meeting of the Executive Committee with Dr. Moore and Dr. Roy about the reprogrammed newer Scantron program. She explained the kinds of student reports the system could produce and talked about other advantages the system now has.

Dr. Fergeson recognized Dr. Hall for a message from the QEP Topic Selection Committee. The team has been visiting groups to explain what a QEP is and what the process is for identifying possible topics for Longwood's program. Members have gathered information from programs and offices that focus on student learning and the learning environment at Longwood. In late November faculty will have a chance to participate in identifying the Longwood's topic. President Finnegan will send an e-mail to students, faculty, and staff inviting them to suggest the area of student learning Longwood's QEP should address. People will participate by completing a very brief on-line survey. Questions should be addressed to Dr. Mc Amoss at amossm.

Dr. Blauvelt gave a report on this semester's meeting of the Faculty Senate of Virginia and a handout that will be posted on the web page. He described the legislative agenda that the Faculty Senate of Virginia and AAUP will support during the coming legislative session and invited Longwood faculty to participate in the Virginia Higher Education Advocacy Day on Thursday, January 12, 2012. People who are interested should let Chuck Blauvelt know so that the Faculty Senate will be expecting them. He also listed activities of note on campuses around the state. His handout is on the Senate web page.

Dr. Fergeson recognized Dr. Frank who introduced two members of the International Affairs staff, Mr. Keith Boswell who will be in charge of the ESL program and Ms. Patti Trent who is the director in international admissions. He provided a handout about the unit's purpose, economic impact, activities, and expectations and he referred to the consultant's report which includes recommendations. This report is on the senate web page. He wants to support faculty efforts and will be asking faculty to complete a survey about their own international experiences and languages. The ESL program which should start in January 2012 will carry no credit but will be designed to enable student to pass the TOEFL so that they can succeed in college work in the United States. There will be two four-week session a semester (\$2500.00 a session) and a 10-week intensive session (\$3500.00 plus fees) in the summer. If a student wants to enroll at Longwood admission will be conditional, acceptance depending on success in this program. Campus housing is too tight to accommodate these students, but Sunchase and Walk 2 Campus are interested and are possibilities.

Dr. Perkins talked about the searches in progress:

Sponsored Programs: There are two candidates coming in for interviews. Dr. Lissa Power-deFur is chairing that committee which includes Ms. Courtney Hodges, Ms. Sylvia Schutt, Dr. Emerson Stonnell, Dr. Walter Witschey, and Dr. Scott Wentland.

Registrar: Ms. Melinda Fowlkes, chair, Ms. Gayle Covington, Ms. Cynthia Erickson, Mr. Bruce Jenkins, Ms. Jay Lynn, and Ms. Sharon Menegoni.

Dean of the Cormier Honors College: Dr. Chuck Ross, chair, Mr. Josh Blakely, Dr. Ray Brastow, Dr. Leigh Lunsford, Dr. Bob Lynch, Dr. Phillip Poplin, Ms. Stephanie Skipp.

Technical Services Coordinator in the Library: Ms. Suzy Palmer, Dr. David Magill, Ms. Tatiana Pashkova-Blakenhol, Ms. Tammy Hines.

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs in progress.

Admissions: The ad has been placed.

Dr. Clark announced that NCATE has approved all standards at Longwood. Dr. Perkins echoed her and talked about how gracefully done this year's accreditation effort was and commented on the support of students and of faculty in all colleges in this endeavor.

Dr. Fergeson announced that the Committee advisory to the President would meet with him on November 18 and stress the importance of lines of communication with the faculty and the need to keep faculty informed.

Mr. Ben Tyree presented three items from SGA:

1. An A- could ruin eligibility for the President's list. Faculty might want to keep that in mind.
2. Some advisors provided students with the wrong PIN number.
3. The library no longer offers free printing or copying. Faculty might want to keep that in mind when asking for multiple copies of student work.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Susan May