

## **Athens State University Faculty Senate Minutes**

Charge: (As stated in Athens State University's 2009 *Employee Handbook*, Section 7.2, Faculty Constitution and by-Laws, Article XI: The Faculty Senate).

At a regular meeting of the Athens State University Faculty Senate, held in the Chapel of Founders Hall, on Tuesday, March 22, 2011, at 1:00, Dr. Mike Essary, Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Sean Busick, Prentice Chandler, Kevin Dupre, Mike Essary, Bonnie Heatherly, Nate Mitchell, Bebe Shaw, Gary Valcana, Debbie Vaughn, George Williams (10/12 Quorum).

Members Absent: LaDoris Baugh, Marion Madison (with Bridgette Chandler as guest for Madison)

With no corrections/additions to the minutes from the previous meeting, the record shows them approved as stated. Motion carried (Mitchell/Busick).

The committees then submitted the following reports:

Academic Affairs: Calendar was presented to the faculty, who will vote on it by paper ballot. Williams and Essary will count votes.

Curriculum Committee: Minutes on Bb.

Sabbatical: No change.

Faculty Affairs: Branscombe presented a draft of revised Employee Handbook for senate consideration with revisions in red. Substantive changes include proper balloting procedure, the use of proxies, potential election ties, charge for LR, and limitation of faculty to address only the faculty section of the Employee Handbook. Heatherly moved for senate to accept changes as written. These will now go to full faculty for discussion at the full faculty convocation in April.

Motion carried (Heatherly/Valcana).

Learning Resources: Dr. Glenn continues to be very interested in pursuing a Learning Commons. Glenn would like to appoint a Library Facility Evaluation Committee. He envisions the addition to the ASU Library to be a hub of activity for students/faculty/staff.

Election Committee: Essary was re-elected for presiding officer for 2011-2012.

Old Business: n/a

New Business: n/a

There being no additional comments or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00.  
Motion carried (Mitchell/Dupre).

Respectfully submitted,  
Bebe Gish Shaw, Secretary