

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 Founders' Chapel, on Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at 1:00, Mike Essary, Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Bell, Busick, B. Chandler, Bunn for P. Chandler, Essary, Heatherly, Pieplow, Vaughn, Williams (Quorum 9/12).

Member Absent: Dupre, Mitchell, Shaw

With no corrections/additions to the minutes from the December 13, 2011, meeting, the record shows them approved as stated. Motion carried (Williams/Chandler).

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs: Faculty will vote on 2012-1013 Calendar and revised Employee Handbook on January 27, 9:30-10:00. Senate decided there would be no need to call roll. Busick suggested Tina Hicks be invited to attend meeting to provide calendar information.

Curriculum committee: n/a

Learning Resources: n/a

Sabbatical: n/a

Faculty Affairs: Dr. Cromwell met with Chairman of Committee asking that subcommittees be established to check (1)Employee Handbook for consistent wording, (2)procedures for establishing Centers on campus, (3)policies in general, and (4)office hours for faculty.

Election Committee: time to nominate and elect Senate representatives from each college

Old Business: Debra Vaughn reported Senate members have been assigned tasks as part of the Faculty Governance Subcommittee (explanation of division sent by email):

- 1) Consideration of the wording of the handbook related to the breadth of our governance - Sean Busick
- 2) Researching the documents used for faculty governance at other organizations - Tom Pieplow
- 3) Talk to faculty governance at other organizations - Kim Bell
- 4) Talk with respective college faculties for any specific concerns - Deb Vaughn, Bonnie Heatherly

New Business: Request was made for topics to be covered during last two Senate meetings for the year. There were no suggestions.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Heatherly
for
Bebe Gish Shaw, Secretary