

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 Waters' Conference Room, on Monday, November 4, 2013, at 12:00, Mark Durm, Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Bell, Kuby for Branscombe, Busick, Durm, Haghighi, Harris, Heatherly, Hughes, Hyde, Shaw, Roberts for Vaughn, White (Quorum 13/13).

Member Ex Officio from Library: Wolfe

Members Absent: n/a

With no additions/corrections to the previous minutes, the record shows them approved as stated. Motion carried (Heatherly/White).

Committee Reports:

FA: FA has been asked to consider whether chairs should be allowed to serve on PC.

CC: Suggestion that V.P. for Enrollment join CC was unwelcome and Glenn agreed.

EC: n/a

PC: n/a

AA: AA is studying their role and the possibility of grade inflation at ASU.

LR: n/a

SC: n/a

Rick Mould brought guest Gordon Stone from "Higher Education Partnership" to speak with Senate about "Grassroots Advocacy." His message was, "let your voice be heard."

Old Business: White announced that regarding the Morale Survey, the Chronicle used a survey from Modern Think, or we could use a customized survey, the difference being cost and speed. The former will cost around two thousand; the latter as much as ten thousand. Results from a customized survey could be within a month; the "Great Colleges" survey from Modern Think would be issued from March 17 to April 17 with results reported in August. This discussion was postponed. The Quality Indicators Committee needs to rework the format, as the Provost doesn't approve of its yes/no format, so it is going back to FA then to QI and back to senate. The possibility of a Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees has been given up in favor of representation on Standing Committees only. VP McCoy will gladly discuss University finances, but Objective 1, Bullet #2 needs more specifics. The Staff Appreciation Award will be presented at the annual holiday dinner on November 21.

New Business: Senate began its re-write of the Constitution and Bylaws today and hopes to complete it on November the 11th and 18th.

There being no additional comments or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Bebe Gish Shaw, Secretary