

Athens State University Faculty Convocation 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 full faculty convocation of the Athens State University Faculty and Senate, held in the ballroom, on Monday, May 5, 2014, at 9:00 a.m., Dr. Mark Durm, Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order.

Members present: Aquila, Baugh, Bergeron, Berzett, Bolen, Brown, Burkhardt, Burks, Busick, Chandler, Cline, Cook, Cort, Corzine, Covick, Cowan, Cox, Dupré, Durm, Essary, Ferguson, Gadberry, Gardner, Glaze, Gordon, Haghghi, Harris, Heatherly B, Hemingway, Hester, Hodges, Hughes, Hutchinson, Hyde, Jack, Johnson, Joiner, Kennedy, Kerner J, Kerner L, Khoury, Kuby, Leslie, Lewis, Long, Lundin, Mayfield, Merritt, Mitchell, Moyers, Myhan, Newland, O'Neal, Otto, Owen, Pieplow, Roberts C, Roberts K, Serna, Shaw, Sloan, Stevenson, Thomas, Valcana, Vaughn, Wanbaugh, Werner, White D, White R, Wilkes, Woodruff, Wolfe (72/88 Quorum).

Members absent: Baird, Bell, Branscombe, Buck, Dorning, Fitzsimmons, Gatlin, Heatherly M, Hendrix, Johns, Keller, McCain, Rich, Rimes, Smith, Vinson

With no corrections/additions to the previous posted minutes, the record shows them approved as stated.

Old Business: Durm reported on Senate's 20 objectives for 2013-2014.

Committee Reports:

AA: Jess Brown discussed changes to the proposed 2015-2016 calendar and grade inflation at ASU, which proves to be neither better nor worse than at comparable institutions of higher learning.

CC: Chris Otto addressed changes in the Curriculum Review Request form, which will enforce procedures in place to insure proposals are acknowledged by program/major faculty members, chair, dean, and presented to colleges BEFORE presentation to CC and then forwarded on to Senate and Provost.

EC: Gary Valcana announced that we would vote on the Revised Faculty Constitution and Bylaws today.

FA: Pat Kuby explained that they had focused on leaves with pay and faculty expectations.

LR: Cathy Woodruff stated that they had focused primarily this year on the Learning Commons.

New Business: Senate website is up. Concerns for future primarily regarded the proposed new 25% rule, passage of which by administration has been granted a one year extension for further study. Faculty wants to know administration's rationale for this change in General University Requirements.

There being no additional comments or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Bebe Gish Shaw, Secretary