

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

Charge: (As stated in Athens State University's Policy Library, Faculty Constitution and Bylaws).

At a special session of the Athens State University Faculty Senate, held in Founders' Chapel on Thursday, October 29, 2015, at 12:00, Mark Durm, interim Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Busick, Durm, Essary, Hyde, Heatherly, Johnson, Kerner, Lewis, O'Neal, Shaw, Turner-White, Vaughn, Woodruff (Quorum 13/13).

Members Absent: n/a

Old and New Business: P.O. Robert White resigned October 14, so according to Bylaws, Article IV, Officers, faculty must elect a new P.O. from among sitting senators by November 13. Adam Lewis has replaced him as senator for A&S. Mike Essary, when asked, agreed to serve if elected. Lewis nominated Essary. Motion carried (Lewis/Kerner). Heatherly moved to close the nominations. Motion carried (Heatherly/Woodruff). If elected, Essary will take office on November 9. The next Senate meeting has been rescheduled for November 12, due to the holiday luncheon on November 19. It was brought up by EC that librarians had not been included in their list of faculty, but it was agreed that degreed librarians are faculty and should have been included and therefore will be allowed to vote. Heatherly moved librarians be allowed to vote. Motion carried (Heatherly/Lewis). The question then turned to others who are both faculty and administration. Lewis stated that the difference should be permanent versus temporary contract. Durm moved that Senate ought not to deny faculty voting. Motion carried with 12 for, 1 against (Durm/Lewis). Durm then reminded standing committee chairs that minutes need to be sent to Russell Frye and Shaw that minutes should be watermarked "Unofficial" until the next meeting at which they are approved or amended before being posted. Lewis moved to adjourn the special session. Motion carried (Lewis/Kerner). Lewis moved that Senate move into executive session. Motion carried (Lewis/O'Neal). Discussion followed. Kerner moved that Senate move out of executive session. Motion carried (Kerner/Essary).

There being no additional comments or discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bebe Gish Shaw, Secretary