

Athens State University Faculty Senate Minutes

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

At a regular meeting of the Athens State University Faculty Senate, held in Founders Hall Chapel on Thursday, September 22, 2016, at 12:00 pm, Mike Essary, Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Aquila, Chandler, Cort, Durm, Essary, Hyde, Haghghi for Johnson, Kerner, Lewis, Stevenson, Turner-White, Vaughn, Woodruff, (Quorum 13/13).

Faculty Senate Minutes for July and August approved as written. (Lewis/Woodruff) Passed.

Committee Reports

Faculty Affairs-James Gadberry

- 1) Motion to separate Tenure policy into policy and separate guidelines. (Durm/Cort) Passed.
- 2) Motion to combine Tenure and Promotion processes. (Durm/Lewis) Passed.

Elections- Katia Mayfield

- 1) Affirm to elections committee to allow write in names on ballots. (Durm/Lewis) Passed.

Old Business

PO requested that Senators seek input from faculty related to goals and objectives for the coming year and forward them for consideration. COE submitted list, attached as appendix.

New Business

- 1) Program Review Policy accepted as written. (Lewis/Kerner) Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm (Lewis/Turner-White). Passed.

Next meeting in Founders Chapel at noon on Thursday, October 27, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debra Vaughn

Faculty Senate Goals 2016-2017
College of Education

COE faculty senators: Bridgette Chandler, Lisa Hyde, Darlene Turner-White, and Cathy Woodruff

As faculty senators representing the College of Education, we have discussed and developed the following goals for the 2016-2017 academic year:

Goal 1: Continue to restore morale. There are still a sense of mistrust and not much evidence of transparency.

Goal 2: Revisit workload/Bring awareness to the lack of time Faculty has to redesign courses and improve instruction. For instance, in COE, we are committed to so many other projects, advisees and committees that we neglect one of the primary reasons we are here, to teach.

Goal 3: Address the lack of diversity with students and on our Faculty. We need to do a better job at marketing to a diverse population.

Goal 4: Continue to improve our relationship with Administration University-wide.

Goal 5: Research the possibility of virtual office hours

Goal 6: Clear communication - I believe that we have committee meetings and make decisions for the entire COE during those meetings – but never communicate that information to the rest of the COE.

Goal 7: Students' first – I feel that we aren't student friendly but engage in student smother/enabling. What I mean is that typically when a student calls the COE and FE Office he/she gets an answering machine. When he/she tries to find some advisors – he/she can't reach them in a timely fashion. On the other hand, we enable them in our classes. I can't really get this articulated exactly but it seems that when we should be allowing for natural consequences – we enable but when we really could help we don't.