



FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

Thursday, April 26, 2018 – Taylor/Madison Union 306

In attendance: Burnett (Speaker); Accounting: Briggs; Art, Design & Art History: Tollefson-Hall; Biology: Cocking; Comm. Sci. & Disorders: Clinard; Comm. Studies: Nelson (proxy); Computer Science: Kirkpatrick; Economics: Cavusoglu; Engineering: Harper; Educ. Found. & Exception.: Rodriguez; Foreign Languages: Lang-Rigal; Geology & Env. Sci.: Baedke; Graduate Psych.: Cowan; Hart School of HSRM: Anaza; Health Professions: Walsh; Health Sciences: Ott Walter; History: Westkaemper; IDLS: Wright; ISAT: McGraw (senator-elect); Justice Studies: De Fazio; Kinesiology: McKay; Learning, Tech. & L.E.: Beverly; Lib & Ed Tech: Flota; Management: Shahzad; Marketing: Larsen; Math & Stats: Garren; Music: Peterson (proxy); Phil. & Rel.: Piper; Physics: Giovanetti, Butner (senator-elect); Political Science: Lee; Psychology: Barron; Social Work: Yeom; Sociology & Anthropology: Ezzell; Strategic Leadership Studies: Vanhove; Theatre & Dance: DeSanctis; Writing Rhetoric & Tech Comm: McDonnell; Part-time Faculty Reps: Cline, Harlacker, PeeksMease; Guests: Provost Coltman; Vice Provost Johnson

I. Call to Order, Organizational Meeting—3:30 p.m.

II. Elections

The following officers were elected for 2018–2019

Speaker: Mark Piper
 Speaker Pro Tempore: Val Larsen (chairs Faculty Concerns committee)
 Marshal: Steve Harper (chairs Nominations & Elections committee)
 Treasurer: David McGraw
 Secretary: Karen McDonnell

The following committee chairs were elected for 2018–2019

Academic Policies: Emily Westkaemper
 Student Relations: Hakseon Lee
 Budget & Compensation: Steve Garren
 Faculty Appeals: Karin Tollefson-Hall

I. Call to Order, Regular Monthly Meeting—4:00 p.m.

II. Provost's Report

- Provost Coltman held the final town hall, which opened up great discussions.
- This past Saturday, the ad hoc task force on gender, diversity, and sexuality met. A report is forthcoming.
- The Provost was part of a JMU contingent that made a productive visit to China.

III. Speaker's Report

- Speaker Burnett meets with the BOV on Friday, April 27. She plans to highlight/recap what the Senate has achieved this academic year. She will emphasize the salary issue (especially inversion and compression).
- As she ends her term, the Speaker extended special thanks to the group and to the steering committee for stepping up when she was on leave.

IV. Treasurer's Report—Treasurer Larsen reported \$1,745.51 spent so far on memorials, leaving \$6,269.59 in the account.

Note to new senators: Notify David McGraw if a colleague experiences the loss of a family member. The form for a bereavement gesture—flowers or a donation—is available on the Senate website under documents.

V. Committee Reports

- A. Faculty Concerns—Speaker Pro Tempore Piper praised the group for the successful move to delay Duo implementation. Canvas and library access will require two-factor authentication beginning May 9. Additionally, he announced that the heads-up document for new hires is now complete. Work is underway to disseminate the document, not only from HR, but also from the Provost's Office and the Faculty Senate. The Faculty Senate of Virginia met. The summary is attached. The updated Faculty Senate website was unveiled by Senator Harlacker. Suggestions and especially images (e.g., from the Engagement projects) would be helpful as the site continues to be tweaked. Finally, please note that next year's monthly full Senate meetings will take place in Taylor 405.
- B. Student Relations—Committee Chair Lee reported on the joint meeting held with the Academic Policies committee. They met to discuss and draft syllabus language on inclusivity. This language requires approval from Academic Council. The most recent SGA meeting included a ceremony for this year's Madison Vision Teaching Awards winners (the winners were also announced in an email from the Provost's office). Committee Chair Lee met with Josh Bacon to follow up on the GameDay infractions. However, because no official complaint was filed, no OSARP actions were taken. Senator Lee plans to meet with incoming VP of Student Affairs Tim Miller this summer to encourage him to send out a message to students about standards of conduct. Suggestion from the floor: For future incidents, write a letter to the *Breeze* when timely and decisive action is warranted.
- C. Faculty Appeals—Committee Chair Karin Tollefson-Hall reported that one case was processed.
- D. Budget and Compensation—Committee Chair Steve Garren reiterated the committee's support for the motion to support adjunct faculty pay.
- E. Nominations & Elections—Marshall Steve Harper informed the group about problems with the disbursement of funds to student winners of the engagement mini-grants (the money had to be labeled as scholarship money, which meant that it was applied incorrectly to some accounts). Committee Chair Harper is meeting with Brian Charette from the Engagement office to iron out the wrinkles. The same amount of money has been set aside for next year's student mini-grants.

VI. No New Business

VII. Unfinished Business

- The Adjunct Faculty Resolution was discussed (emphasized as “long overdue” and described as “shrewd” for invoking the Eight Key Questions of the Madison Collaborative) and then passed.
- The Motion to Support the SGA Resolution on Campus Inclusivity was thoroughly debated and then amended for clarification. Concerns expressed centered on the narrow scope of the SGA's inclusivity statements, especially in light of the syllabus language being proposed by Academic Policies and Student Relations. The question was called, and the amended motion passed.

VIII. Adjournment 5:00 p.m.