



## FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	1/29/2018	<b>Time:</b>	14:45 – 16:30	<b>Location:</b>	Culp Center, Room 311
<b>Next Meeting:</b>	2/12/2018	<b>Scribe:</b>			Eric Sellers
<b>Present:</b>	Al-Imad, Leila; Alsop, Fred; Anand, Rajani; Brooks Taylor, Teresa; Brown, Patrick; Burgess, Doug; Campbell, Heidi; Chambers, Cindy; Cluck, David; Doran, Erin; Drinkard-Hawkshawe, Dorothy; Dunn, Andrew; Elangovan, Saravanan; Ellis, Jon; Epps, Susan; Flora, Bill; Foley, Virginia; Gray, Jeff; Hall, Katherine; Hemphill, Bill; Hendrix, Stephen; Kostrzewa, Richard; Kwasigroch, Thomas; Littleton, Mary Ann; Liu, Ying; Livingston, James; Mackara, Fred; Marek, Greta; Masino, Anthony; McGarry, Theresa; Mitchell, Lorianne; Mullins, Chrissy; Olson, Nate; Owens, Bea; Paul, Timir; Pealer, Jennifer; Peterson, Jonathan; Pope, Victoria; Ramsey, Priscilla; Sarkodie, Olga; Sawyer, Robert; Scheuerman, Eugene; Sellers, Eric; Sergiadis, Ashley; Short, Candice; Stone, Bill; Taylor, Teresa Brooks;				
<b>Absent:</b>					
<b>Excused:</b>	Byington, Randy; Chakraborty, Kaniska; Duncan, Joyce; Gentry, Retha; Oh, Sunny; Panus, Peter; Walden, Rachel				

### Agenda Items

Meeting called to order

1. Introductions

2. Celebrations

3. Announcements

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Informational Items

6. Action Items

7. New Business

8. Old Business

9. Questions on reports/summaries from committees/working groups

10. Other Items

11. Comments from Guests

12. Adjourn

### DISCUSSIONS

1. Introductions

1.1 Dr. Robert Sawyer from the Department of Literature and Language will be filling the senate vacancy left by Dr. Dula for the remainder of the academic year.

1.2 Dr. Victoria Pope from the College of Nursing will be filling in for Candace Short while she is on maternity leave.

1.3 Dean Vanzandt from the library was present as the liaison from Staff Senate.



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### 2. Celebrations

2.1 **Dunn** shared that he and his wife will be having their first child.

2.2 **Chambers** shared that her cat will be on Animal Planet at 8PM on January 30.

### 3. Announcements

3.1 The Civility Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, January 31, from 1-2 in Meeting room 6.

3.2 Mildred Maisonet will be giving the "Women on Wednesday" lecture on Wednesday, January 31, at noon in the Multicultural Center.

### 4. Approval of Minutes

**Epps** questioned whether there was an objection to approving the minutes from the 12/4/2018 meeting.

**No Objection: Minutes Approved**

### 5. Informational Items

#### 5.1 Board of Trustees Report – Alsop

5.1.1 The next BOT meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, beginning at 10AM. Meetings are typically held in the East Tennessee Room. The meeting is open and will also be available via live stream. Questions for the Academic and Student Affairs Committee should be forwarded to Dr. Alsop.

5.1.2 **Epps** noted that the BOT will approve Tenure and Promotion and set the fee schedule for next academic year at the April meeting.

5.1.3 **Alsop** reminded the Senate that the Governor's State of the State address is tonight.

#### 5.2 SACS Conference – Byington

5.2.1 Dr. Byington was unable to attend the meeting. His report will be presented at the meeting on February 12.

5.2.2 **Epps** noted that a group from ETSU goes to the meetings and that all are welcome to attend. **Flora** added that it is a great experience and a lot can be learned from the meeting.

#### 5.3 Digital Scholarship – Sergiadis

5.3.1 **Sergiadis** presented on new digital scholarship services that are now offered by the library. The features include:

5.3.1.1 An online open access site containing student and faculty research

5.3.1.2 A customizable conference and journal management system where conference proceedings, journal articles, and other types of digital media can be stored and shared

5.3.1.3 Faculty profiles similar to those found on Facebook and LinkedIn can be created. This feature includes information such as CVs, contact information, grants, service activities, and other items faculty would like to include. This is different from other platforms because it includes ETSU branding, and the library updates the information as necessary. It also includes a "find" feature for people who access the site. The feature takes them directly to their library to determine if the full-text is available.

5.3.1.4 Searchable expert galleries can be created. The galleries allow users to find faculty in a specific



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area of study. Metrics showing how many times an item was viewed and download are tracked.

5.3.1.4 We have also looked to undergraduate research to play match-maker between students and faculty. Students can find professors who are accepting research assistants.

5.3.1.5 The library has also joined the Open Textbook Network, which is available through Open Educational Resources Commons.

5.3.1.6 The site will also be found via Google searches.

### 6. Action Items

#### 6.1 Committee on Committees – Foley

Nothing to report

#### 6.2 Motions

No new motions were presented

### 7. New Business

7.1 **Epps** noted that two senators from QCOM have resigned and need to be replaced. Senators from QCOM should stay after to determine how to fill the vacancies. **Kostrzewa** added that he will send an email requesting volunteers.

7.2 **Epps** informed the Senate that, because the Culp Auditorium will not be available, both the faculty and student convocations are going to be held in the Mini Dome and this could provide an opportunity for faculty to become more involved in student convocation; historically, faculty participation has been very low. The proposal is to have a brief faculty convocation followed by the student convocation. After both convocations, students and faculty would convene for a joint lunch. This would occur on the Friday before school starts. Signs identifying faculty would be placed on the tables and students could interact with faculty from the respective departments. **Littleton** questioned whether advisors should also be included. **Epps** replied that the purpose is for students to meet faculty but it could be discussed. **Foley** added that this is a good idea, and students will see faculty as people that care about them. If colleges could commit to having a college wide meeting on Friday that week and adjust the schedules, more people could come. **Brown** suggested that the “ETSU Family” is often referred to and it would be good for faculty and students to share a meal. **Alsop** questioned how the event would be promoted. **Epps** replied that Faculty Senators should encourage their colleges to come and the State of the University address has been moved out of faculty convocation to avoid negative information and convocation should be a celebration of faculty.

### 8. Old Business

No old business

### 9. Questions on reports/summaries from committees/working groups

9.1 **McGarry** asked how many faculty are on the Calendar Committee. **Epps** replied that there are a few and at least one from IT. **McGarry** also asked why the faculty were not asked for feedback regarding the approval of the calendar. **Alsop** replied that a university committee created it, Dr. Noland presented it to the BOT, and the BOT approved it without being opened for further discussion. **Alsop** further indicated several concerns had been raised about the schedule because they did not have an opportunity to provide feedback. **McGarry** expressed a concern as to whether faculty would be asked for feedback in the future as she had not received a response to her previous inquiry. **Epps** stated that the initial plan was to evaluate after two years but Dr. Noland now wants feedback from the university after one year. We can certainly look at it after a year.



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9.2 **McGarry** asked Epps if Dr. Bach had been asked about classroom utilization and further noted that faculty should be proactive in making sure they have the opportunity to provide input in regard to classroom utilization. The committee should not be composed entirely of administrators and the process should be transparent. **Epps** noted that Dr. Bach stated that an ad-hoc committee is currently surveying all of the space on campus and once their review is complete they will present a report and then make recommendations to look at the implementation for space usage

9.3 **McGarry** questioned whether there was an executive response in regard to Dr. Collins working for Tusculum. Epps noted that his position with Tusculum was temporary and he is currently representing ETSU in discussions with the Millennium Center as he was involved in the project before his retirement.

10. Comments from guests

None

11. Working groups convene

12. Adjourn

**Motion to Adjourn: Brown**  
**Second: Hendrix**  
**Meeting Adjourned**

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