

Minutes of Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, March 26, 2015
Walker 1-111, ULM Campus
12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

* indicates excused absence; Name/Name indicates Moved/Seconded
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Senators Present: Jeffrey Anderson, John Anderson, Craighead, Dagley, Eisenstadt, Frye, Giles, Gissendanner, A. Hill, R. Hill, Lasiter, Kaleem, Lovett, Michael, Nazzal, Stockley, Vangelisti, Wiedemeier

Senators Absent: Dagley*, Hare, Niemla*, White

Faculty Senate Secretary Gissendanner (acting in the absence of President Stockley) **called the meeting to order** at 12:34 p.m.

Faculty Senate Secretary Gissendanner **called the roll.**

Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee: No Report

B. Academic Standards: No report

C. Ad Hoc Handbook Committee

- Sen. Gissendanner reported that a revised Faculty Handbook has been submitted to VPAA for comment

D. Ad Hoc Library Committee

- The committee reported that there has been an alteration in the deselection policy that justifications are now required from faculty to keep books outside of their discipline.
- This additional burden on faculty was not brought to the attention of the University library Committee.
- There were discussions regarding moving collections to individual Schools in a new location. The question was raised if physical plant could help with this.
- It was requested that these issues be raised at the next Executive Committee meeting.

E. Constitution and B-Laws: No Report

F. Elections Committee

- Elections will be held Monday, March 30th.
- Nominations: 1 from Library for 1 open seat; 7 from CAES for 3 open seats; 2 from CBSS for 3 open seats; 3 from CHPS for 2 open seats

G. Faculty Welfare: No report

H. Fiscal Affairs: No report

Unfinished Business

- President Stockley reminded the Senate of the Friday ULC webinars on the budget.

New Business

- Secretary Gissendanner brought an issue to the Senate's attention regarding OSPR. A request was made for the Senate to discuss recommending to the Administration the formation of a Faculty Advisory Council for OSPR to assist in the activities of that office. The response from the Senate was favorable and a motion was made for the Senate to approve the recommendation (A. Hill/Giles). The motion passed unanimously.
- The Senate then discussed the request from Administration to establish a part-time office hours policy. A motion was made for the Faculty Welfare Committee to take up this issue (R. Hill/Frye). The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 2:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Chris R. Gissendanner, Faculty Senate Secretary