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Faculty Senate Minutes
April 28, 2021

The Faculty Senate of Southeast Missouri State University met on Wednesday, April 28, 2021 via Zoom. The following Senators were present: Larry Bohannon, Eric Clements, Jenny Cropp, Beverly Evans, Erin Fluegge, Susan Fulton, Stephanie Hallam, Joni Hand, Laura Hatcher, Ziping Liu, Elizabeth McFarland, Belinda McMurry, Pam Parry, David Powell, Raju Vanteddu, Haohao Wang, Diane Wood, and David Yaskewich. Provost Mike Godard was also present. Pam Gershuny, Jenna Lee Moore, Rachel Morgan Theall, and Sophia Scott were present as alternates. The following Senators were not present nor represented by an alternate: Indi Braden, Vera Campbell-Jones, Tammy Davis, Lesly Krome, and Kristen Sobba.

Approval of Minutes

The minute for April 14, 2021 (55.14) were approved.

New Business

Chair Wood asked for a movement to table *Resolution 21-X – Faculty Senate Bylaws – Student Government Liaison*. The reasoning behind this, she stated, is so the Student Government has a chance to discuss the change of not having a student/Senator liaison and rather, just having set meeting dates between the Faculty Senate Executives and Student Government Executives. Senator Cropp moved to table the resolution; Senator Hand seconded. A vote was taken, and the resolution was tabled.

Reports

Chair Wood went over her end of year report with the Senate. She also stated that while she was putting her end of year report together, she realized that the Academic Program Prioritization Review should have been conducted according to the Academic Restructuring and Academic Program Review sections in the Faculty Handbook. She stated that this was her own opinion but suggested that the Senate consider reviewing these sections in Chapter 5 of the Faculty Handbook and make a decision as to if the Academic Prioritization Program Review followed those steps. She apologized to the Senate for not catching this the past summer when the review was first discussed.

Provost Godard thanked Chair Wood for her service as Chair and Chair-Elect of the Senate, working alongside him for the past two year. He stated that he spoke with Chair Wood regarding the Prioritization Review and wanted to assure the Senate that they did take a shared governance approach to this. There were multiple ways for people to engage in the process and they followed the Academic Program Review as per Faculty Senate bills 17-A-18 and 17-A-19 starting on page 64-65 in the Faculty Handbook, as a reference.

Legislative and Non-Legislative Committees

All committees went over their End of Year Reports, which will be posted to the Faculty Senate webpage.

Senator Fluegge, chair of Academic Affairs Committee, reminded the Senate that they are hosting Takeaway Friday on April 30 from 12-1 p.m. They will outline recent initiatives, provide updates regarding ongoing projects, discuss current issues, invite comments and reactions from faculty in attendance, and bring up anything else that's fun and exciting in the Senate. She thanked the following Senators for volunteering to help out: Vera Campbell-Jones, Belinda McMurry, Indi Braden, and Stephanie Hallam.

Adjournment

The Faculty Senate adjourned at 3:28 p.m.