Clayton State University – Minutes of the Faculty Senate

Monday March 12, 2012 (11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.)
University Center Board Room (UC 260)

Members Present: Antoinette Miller (Senate Chair), Jim Keebler (Vice Chair), Maria Bullen, Scott Butterfield, Jennell Charles, Michael Dancs, Rosemary Fischer, Todd Janke, Kathryn W. Kemp, Barbara Musolf, Katherine Ott, Muhammad Rahman, Terri Summers, Susan A. Walsh.

Non-Members Present: Robert Vaughan, Academic Affairs, Joe Corrado, Alex Hall

Faculty Senate Chair Antoinette Miller called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. with a quorum present.

A. Announcements:
   1. The new Faculty Senate website is available.
      a. Chair Miller requested the Senators to check posted minutes for accuracy.
   2. Mr. Jim Flowers has postponed his visit until next week.
   3. Dr. Jill Lane will visit next week.
   4. Chair Mill will be at a summit next week.
      a. Vice-Chair Keebler will preside at the next meeting.

B. Approval of Minutes
   1. February 20, 2012
      a. Motion to accept the minutes as written.
      b. Motion seconded.
         i. Minutes accepted unanimously.

C. Reports
   1. President Hynes and Dr. Crafton are in Los Angeles (attachments).
      a. A written report was provided.
      b. Chair Miller solicited questions.
         i. Senator Musolf asked what is the estimated time of completion for Faculty Hall.
         ii. Chair Miller will forward the question to Dr. Hynes.

   2. Academic Affairs Robert Vaughan
      a. Degreeworks kicks off in March.
         i. It is a program which will revolutionize advising, produce transcripts, reduce administrative tasks, and will simplify academic advising.
            a) The program will allow graduation applications to be made on line.
         ii. Chair Miller asked if Dr. Lane will be involved.
            a) Dr. Lane is occupied with SACS.
            b) Becky Gmeiner and Dr. Vaughan will be working on the project.
         iii. Senator Musolf asked if faculty will need training on the new system.
            a) Dr. Vaughan stated faculty will need training.
iv. Senator Musolf asked if it will replace AdvisorTrac.
   a) Dr. Vaughan stated the new system will not replace AdvisorTrac.
v. Chair Miller noted that the academic calendar for Fall 2012 is posted, and the
   spring calendar will be posted by the end of the week.
vi. Dr. Vaughan solicited questions.
   a) No questions.

3. Academic Policy Council (APC).
   b. The committee is discussing the academic calendar.
      i. There will be something presented next week.

4. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC).
      i. Continuing work.
      ii. Chair Miller asked when the promotion and tenure content will be ready for this
          committee.
          a) Senator Rahman responded it would be done as soon as possible.
          b) Chair Miller stated a reminder was sent to Jim Braun to inform there are 4
             working meetings of the senate remaining to inform the University Faculty
             Organization in accordance with the by-laws.
             i) Chair Miller stated the meeting is tentatively set for May 1 at 2 p.m.

5. Student Activities Committee (SAC).
   b. The committee will meet tomorrow.

6. University Curriculum Committee (UCC).
   b. The committee meets Friday

New Business
1. Subcommittee Reports.
   a. The technology committee.
      i. The committee has not been able to meet with Dr. Lane yet.
   b. By-laws.
      i. Proposed by-law changes for the graduate council to form a standing
         committee of the faculty senate were presented.
         a) Chair Miller noted that the senate would need to approve proposed
             changes by 3/5 vote at two successive meetings.
         ii. Discussion regarding the composition of the committee ensued.
             a) Vice-Chair Keebler motioned the issue be tabled pending discussion with
                Graduate Council. Seconded by Musolf.
             i) Motion passed unanimously.
   2. Chair Miller reported on the University System Faculty Council.
      a. A list of approved resolutions was sent prior to the meeting.
      b. Domestic partner benefits were discussed at the council.
      c. Some units report a concern access using Blue Cross Blue Shield.
D. Adjournment

1. The meeting was adjourned 11:48 p.m.
2. The next meeting is March 19, 1100-1215.

Submitted by: S. Walsh Secretary, Approved by the Faculty Senate Mar. 20, 2012