

Glennville State University Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Date: March 12, 2024

I. Call to Order and Roll

- a. President Maureen Gildein called the meeting to order at 12:27 pm in MCCC 315 and via Teams.
- b. Senators in attendance: Maureen Gildein, Schuyler Chapman, Pai Song, Josh Squires, Jennifer Wenner, Nabil Nasser, Mark Sarver, Duane Chapman, Scott Beatty (online), Kandas Queen, David Lewis (online), Shelly Ratliff
- c. Others in attendance: JD Carpenter (online), Marjorie Stewart, Tracy Chenoweth, Luke Bendick, Bob Hutton
- d. Not in Attendance:

II. Approval of Minutes

- a. Nasser moved to approve the meeting minutes from the 2/20, meeting. Queen seconded.
- b. All voted in favor of accepting the minutes except Ratliff who abstained. Motion passes.

III. Reports

- a. Officers
 - i. Gildein attended the BOG meeting this morning and will defer comments to D. Chapman.
 - ii. She also attended the Cabinet Meeting this morning and will distribute minutes.
 - iii. She also requested people consider volunteering for the debate that the University is hosting this weekend.
- b. Board of Governors (Duane Chapman)
 - i. D. Chapman said that the full BOG meeting was 2/21. There is a new member, and his name is Rick Simon. There was a good audit presentation. There is a problem with efficiency in the auditing process but the Business Dept. is addressing it. MS-CJ and BA Math were approved, as was the BS in Land Surveying.
 - ii. BOG met today for approval on the lowest bid on College of Health Sciences Renovation. They approved accepting the lowest bid presented to renovate the Waco Center. They approved slightly more than \$1.7 million for the Waco Center Building A.
- c. ACF (Kandas Queen)
 - i. Queen informed that there were a number of emails circulating on the listserv for ACF. She will share a document that has kept track of the bills. Next meeting is on April 19.

- d. Administrative/Academic Updates
 - i. Clements was unable to attend the meeting but sent updates to Gildein which she shared with faculty via email.
 - ii. Gildein invited questions and comments.
 - iii. Sarver asked whether requirements of Department Chairs fell under shared governance. (They have not been enumerated.) If Chairs are elected, then the requirements and duties would go through shared governance. If appointed, then no. To our knowledge, duties have not been outlined as of yet.
 - iv. The Faculty Handbook outlines processes for selecting chairs and some general duties.
 - v. Gildein has heard two suggestions: Either the Senate or Administrative Affairs should compile the list of duties. There is a concern about timeline on this process. D. Chapman said that it seems like an issue to vote on chairs prior to knowing the list of duties.
 - vi. Wenner motioned that we use old duties (in current faculty handbook) but request from our department if there are any additions to the duties. The list of duties would then go through shared governance.
 - vii. All voted in favor. Motion passes.
 - viii. Gildein said we need to have a deadline. That would be the next meeting (March 26). Gildein will need them by March 21 to get things distributed prior to the March 26 meeting. Gildein will also meet with the provost to clarify what administration is looking for.

IV. Old Business

a) Attendance Policy

- i) S. Chapman moved to approve. Nasseri seconded.
- ii) All voted in favor. Motion passes.

b) Administrative Withdrawal Policy

- i) Wenner moved to approve. Queen seconded.
- ii) All voted in favor. Motion passes.

V. New Business

c) Faculty Senate Election

- i) Squires reviewed the list of senators and their terms. They are now accurate. He would like us to have the unit representative for each dept. by April 9. April 10 – 17 we would have the at-large election. April 23 would be the new senate meeting at which there would be new officers elected.
- ii) Squires indicated that the point he wants to make is that we have different people on different cycles so that we don't lose an entire senate at once (meaning that we want to avoid having a senate seated where everyone is new to senate and its procedures).
- iii) Gildein requested that we take it back to the departments.

- d) Social Media Policy Update
 - i) Not addressed due to time

- e) AI Task-Force Update
 - i) Not addressed due to time

VI. Adjournment

- a. Gildein requested that we move the April 9 meeting to 4 pm due to a luncheon conflict.
- b. Gildein adjourned the meeting at 1:13 pm.