

Glenville State College Faculty Senate Minutes

September 6, 2011

I. Call to Order and Roll

President David O'Dell called to order the Glenville State College Faculty Senate at 12:30 p.m on September 6, 2011 in the Mollohan Center Multipurpose Room, Room 319.

Senators present: Paul Peck, Liza Brenner, David O'Dell, Larry Baker, Ida Mills, Joseph Wood, Arthur deMatteo, Kevin Evans, Jared Wilson, J Morgan, Brian Perkins, and Shelly Ratliff

Senators absent: Jonathan Minton, Dennis Wemm, Cinda Echard, Dorman Batson, George Hoshell

Others present: Dr. John Peek

II. Approval of Minutes and Ongoing Reports

Motion to approve minutes of August 23, 2011 Faculty Senate meeting. Motion passes and minutes approved.

Reports:

David O'Dell (President Reports):

- The "Change PIN" option has disappeared from faculty EdNet accounts. O'Dell is working with Chuck Schmidt in the Office of Technology to remedy this problem.

ACF/Board Representative Paul Peck

- There will be an ACF meeting this Friday, September 9th. Please let him know if anyone has any comments regarding the ACF issues included in the last minutes.

Other Officers

Larry Baker (Vice President Reports):

- The ad hoc committee has started gathering information with the assistance of Krystal Smith (GSC's HR Department) for faculty catastrophic leave. Krystal Smith has contacted the HR department at Fairmont University. Fairmont has a plan with an optional additional cost for faculty members through PEIA.
- Marshall University also has a policy and plan. Krystal Smith is looking into different plans in the state.
- Peek states that disability insurance is an option.

J. Morgan. (Director of Self Study - Self Study Report)

First round of drafts are being collected. An action plan for the first part of the study will be created after the drafts have been collected.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business at this time.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Committee reporting lines

- O'Dell would like the Senate to determine a line of reporting for each committee that is primarily composed of Senate-appointed faculty
- Do we want recommendations from each committee to be forwarded to the Senate?
- Motion to have Academic Affairs policy or procedure creations or changes to go through the Senate. m/s (Wilson/Perkins)
- Baker states the Senate needs to create an ad hoc committee to condense the committee list and present to the Senate. O'Dell and Morgan volunteer to be on this committee.

Institutional Absence Definition

- O'Dell states that we may need more guidelines for students to understand the definition of an institutional absence.
- Some students may think that an institutional absence excuses them from completing assignments or meeting deadlines.
- The language in the Student Handbook might need to be clarified.

Lack of Survey Response

- Baker states that the response rate to surveys sent out to faculty is very low.
- He is aware of which departments have a low response rate.
- This is a huge issue for our campus and must be addressed in each department.

V. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p. m; motion to adjourn by Brenner/Evans (m/s). Motion passed unanimously