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SWOSU Faculty Senate Official Minutes

August 30, 2024 2:30 PM | STF 108

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by President Jared Edwards at 2:30 PM

II. Establishment of a Quorum (16 Senators/Certified Substitutes)

Lisa Appeddu, Jimena Aracena, Landry Brewer, Nathan Brooks, Brandy Chase, Jared Edwards, Trevor Ellis, Phillip Fitzsimmons, Angela Fleming, Megan Goucher, Jon Henrikson, Sophie Hung, Heather Katz, Daniel Kavish, Geo Kelly, Sharon Lawrence, Eunice Lonebear, Andy North, Kathy O'Neal, Taylor Orgeron, Todd Parker, Brian Rickel, Tyler Rickey, Horrick Sharma, Debra Stevens, Natasha Tinsley, Muatasem Ubeidat, Todd Wigger, Nancy Williams

III. CERTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES

None

IV. PRESENTATION OF VISITORS

1. Faculty Athletic Representative: Bo Pagliasotti
 - a. Absent, sent message
 - b. Senior Games, community initiative
2. Student Government Representative: Landry Freeman
 - a. Nothing to report
3. Library Representative: Phillip Fitzsimmons
 - a. AC fixed by August 15
 - b. Voices and Votes Smithsonian Exhibit
 - i. Oct. 26-Dec. 7,
 - ii. Can have classes come, contact Murray or Dupree
 - c. April 17
 - i. Library, Lang & Lit, Western Plains Library
 - ii. Fantasy author, keynote speaker David R. Slayton
4. Invited Staff Council Member: Courtney Thiessen
 - a. Sept. 10, Coffee with President

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from 7/18/2024 were approved with agreed changes.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. From the Executive Council meeting of 8/5
 - a. Summer hours will probably stay the same next year
 - b. Our strategic plan was approved by RUSO
 - c. AI
 - i. Statements
 - ii. No SWOSU identifiers uploaded
 - iii. Planning for speakers and training
 - d. HLC 4 year report
 - i. Will be choosing a quality initiative
 - ii. Will be a campus wide based on one of the existing smaller projects already underway
 - e. We have over 700 concurrent students
 - i. 15% of our headcount
 - ii. Working on matriculation efforts and identifying barriers
 - f. Increasing efforts to start contacting high school students earlier
 - i. We are behind on this
 - g. 9/10 @ 1:30 in the Fine Arts Center premier of the Campus Tour Episode
 - i. 45 minutes to an hour
 - ii. Segments will be available for departmental use
 - h. Chancellor Search in progress
 - i. Aiming for mid-October hire
 - ii. Aiming for New Year start
 - iii. Vice-Chancellor for academic affairs will be filled after the chancellor is in place
 - i. Deferred maintenance money being used on HVAC
 - j. Early College
 - i. Pursuing Associates Through High School (PATHS)
 - ii. Mostly full; some identified students chose not to participate
 - k. RAVE is up and running
 - i. Numbers for faculty and staff automatically added through HR
 1. Assuming they have current and accurate data
 - ii. Interactive App will not be used due to monitoring issues
 - l. Next Executive Council meeting on 9/9
2. Administrative Council Meeting of 8/5/2024
 - a. Nothing to add to above or below
3. Meeting with the Provost on 8/27/2024
 - a. Strategic Plan
 - i. Committee of Alumni, Faculty, Staff, and Students meeting every four months are reporting to the provost
 - b. Program Inventory is being done for the Regents
 - i. Do programs have capstones or internships
 - ii. Not being required, but encouraged
 - c. Regents are considering a 110 hour degree plan in nursing
 - i. This is not a SWOSU initiative

- d. 5-year program reviews
 - i. State Regent Requirement
 - ii. Process is more flexible, bur review is still required
 - 1. SWOSU has adopted a form similar to the old regent required form for continuity and simplicity
- e. Academic Unit Continuance Committee plan is due on Sunday (9/1)
- f. General University Calls are going to the Sayre campus (Kerry Rhoads)
- g. New Undergraduate Catalog is Online
- h. Criterion Teams are meeting
- i. There will be a recognition ceremony announced that will recognize service for both faculty and staff
 - i. This will allow for recognition of total service
 - ii. Faculty are welcome to attend, but not required
- j. Panorama Committee is being retained
 - i. Faculty will be appointed by the provost
 - ii. James Patterson will be on campus in October
- k. AI
 - i. Information is being added to the student handbook
 - ii. Faculty resources are being developed
- l. Concurrent student matriculation
 - i. A working group is developing plans and strategies to use with all concurrent students to try to increase matriculation
- 4. Secretary/Treasurer Heather Katz
 - a. Announcement regarding voter outreach
 - i. Fitzsimmons, demonstrative ballot machine
 - b. Roll sheet, please sign in
 - c. Treasurer's Report
 - i. Dues Collected
 - ii. BancFirst Checking Account:
 - 1. July Meeting Balance: \$1401.88
 - 2. **Current Balance:** \$2013.88
- 5. President-Elect Jon Henrickson
 - a. Nothing to add
- 6. Past-president Trevor Ellis
 - a. Nothing to add

VII. REPORTS FROM STANDING AND AD HOC COMMITTEES

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. FUPTRC
 - a. Plan for College Caucuses for at the end of our September Meeting

- b. Need volunteers from all Colleges regardless of open seats; will send out information next week

X. ADJOURNMENT

Senate adjourned at 2:58 PM

XI. NEXT MEETING

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