

North Carolina A&T State University

FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES

August 24, 2010
2014 Smith Hall
3:00 p.m.

Senate Members Present: Elizabeth Barber, Shearon Brown, Linda Florence Callahan, Horlin Carter, Sr., Pamella Chavis, David Chen, Roy Coomans, John Cudar, Floyd James, Khrisna Kasibhatla, Ibraheem Kateeb, Thelma King, Roland Leak, Patricia Lynch, Francene Moore, Janis M. Oldham, Xiuli Qu, Craig Rhodes, Tiffany Russell, Janet Seiz, Brian Sims, Derick K. Smith, Lewis Waller, Hong Wang, Lijun Wang

The Faculty Senate meeting was called to order by Dr. Linda Florence Callahan.

Moment of Silence

Dr. Callahan reviewed the agenda.

Callahan Comments/Presentations

- Welcome. Each senator and guest, University Photographer Charles Watkins, introduced him or herself. Dr. Callahan stated that Mr. Watkins was on hand to take photographs during the meeting. These photographs may be posted on the Faculty Senate website.
- Election of members to the Hearing and Reconsideration and the Grievance Committees. It was noted that the members of the Hearing and Reconsideration Committee and the members of the Grievance Committee have agreed to serve the 2010-2011 academic year. It was also noted that a quorum of senators was not present for today's meeting; therefore, the Senate did not vote on the slate of names. Dr. Rhodes suggested that an electronic ballot be sent to all senators for feedback. Dr. Callahan will send the email to the senators. They will be asked to respond to Dr. Rhodes on the ballot.
- Election of a Secretary. Dr. Callahan extended thanks to Dr. Muktha Jost for serving as Secretary to the Faculty Senate. She stated that Dr. Jost's term as Secretary has expired and a new secretary must be elected. She asked senators to think about serving in this position and let her know of their interest.
- Delegates to Faculty Forum. (Drs. P. Bonner, L. Callahan, F. James and J. Oldham). The alternate position is still open.

Dr. Callahan stated that the Chancellor's office needed feedback on the following policies that were distributed from his office: Bylaws (of the BOT); Policy on Policies; Threat Assessment; Students Manifesting Serious Psychological Problems and Flexible Work Arrangements. After some discussion by the senators, the following concerns/observations were made: Faculty need more time for review of policies and, in

some instances, language needs to be clarified as well as faculty input. It was agreed that Dr. Callahan and Dr. Rhodes would communicate these concerns/observations to the Chancellor.

Committee Assignments

Dr. Callahan emphasized the importance of committee assignment to the following committees: New Programs and Curricula; Educational Policy; Faculty Welfare; Constitution; Handbook; Web Page; Calendar committee; Social Committee; and the Program Committee. She asked for volunteers and noted that she would continue to serve as chairperson of the Calendar Committee. She stated that the work of this committee needs to begin inasmuch as the University approved calendar for the 2011-2012 academic year is due in General Administration by October 15.

Approval of Minutes

There was not a quorum in attendance; therefore, minutes of the April 27, 2010 meeting, with attached letter from the Mathematics Department dated April 12, 2010, was not acted upon.

Announcements

The Career Awareness Fair for all majors and classifications is scheduled for September 15, 2010 from 9:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m. in Corbett Sports Center.

Committee Reports

New Programs and Curricula – Dr. Thelma King

Dr. Thelma King, New Programs and Curricula Committee, distributed, for information, a Faculty Senate Calendar for New Programs and Curricula Committee meeting dates and due dates for the 2010-2011 academic year.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

The next Faculty Senate Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 28, 2010 in Room 2014, Smith Hall.

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