# FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES

North Carolina A&T State University Academic Classroom Building (A101) Tuesday, October 25, 2016 3:00 p.m.

## Dr. Dwedor Ford, Chair Presiding

Senate Members Present: Phoebe Ajibade, Geleana Alston, Emily Burch, Barbara Butler, Temeka Carter, Sungjin Cho, Robert Cobb, Jr., Devona Dixon, Albert Esterline, Dwedor Ford, Roger Gagnon, Julius Harp, Gwendolyn Highsmith-Quick, John Kizito, Luba Kurkalova, Anna Lee, Robert Li, Ahmed Megri, Ademe Mekonnen, Mahour Mellat-Parast, Gregory Meyerson, Elimelda Ongeri, Thomas Redd, Derick Smith, George Stone, David Tidwell, Li-Shiang Tsay, Jenora Waterman.

**Departments Not Represented:** Agribusiness, Applied Economics and Agriscience Education; Natural Resources and Environmental Design; Business Education; Management; Chemical, Biological and Bioengineering; Computational Science and Engineering; Industrial and Systems Engineering; Counseling; Administration and Instructional Services; Social Work and Sociology; Nursing; History; Built Environment; Physics; Library Services.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dwedor Ford.

#### **Roll Call**

## **Approval of Minutes**

It was properly moved and seconded to approve the September 27, 2016 Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes. The motion carried.

Senate Welcome Dr. Dwedor Ford

Dr. Ford extended greetings and thanked everyone for their presence.

Finalize Standing Committee Membership Roster, 2016-2017 Dr. Dwedor Ford

The Standing Committee Membership Roster, 2016-2017 was reviewed and finalized by senators. Dr. Ford emphasized the importance of Committee attendance and participation. The 2016-2017 Committee Meeting (Dates) Schedule will be forwarded to all senators for information.

#### **UNC/GA Strategic Plan Information**

Dr. Dwedor Ford

Dr. Ford announced the University of North Carolina General Administration in partnership with the UNC Board of Governors Strategic Plan Public Forum to be held at NCA&T State University on Thursday, November 10, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon in the Academic Classroom Building, room 101. Dr. Ford stated that the forum, as communicated, "is designed to provide information regarding the five themes by which the system's strategic plan is centered

(access, student success, affordability and efficiency, excellent and diverse institutions and economics impact) as well as offer the opportunity to receive ideas and suggestions regarding these themes". The session provides an opportunity for comments and feedback. Dr. Ford encouraged faculty participation in the forum.

# **Nomination Committee Report**

**Dr. Julius Harp** 

Faculty Senate 2016-2017 election (by ballot count) was held for Vice Chair of the Faculty Senate. The following senator was elected Vice Chair:

Dr. Robert Cobb, Jr.

The Vice Chair is scheduled to serve one term, 2016-2017, due to the non-election of a Vice Chair during the 2015-2016 academic year.

## **New Programs and Curricula**

**Dr. Galen Foresman** 

Dr. Galen Foresman brought to the floor one (1) department proposal package and one (1) existing course proposed for General Education inclusion that was discussed in the New Programs and Curricula Committee meeting on October 12, 2016. It was properly moved and seconded that the proposals be approved as presented. The motion carried. The proposals are as follows:

- 1. Management: Six (6) undergraduate course changes; Four (4) undergraduate 120-credit hour curriculum guides
- 2. General Education Task Force: One (1) inclusion course: Mathematical, Logical, and Analytical Reasoning MLAR: STAT 214

AggieConnect Dr. Dwedor Ford

Dr. Ford reminded senators of the AggieConnect website and the opportunity for its use. She has met with the Webmaster and communicated a goal of posting a senator directory with headshots. Dr. Ford would like for all senators to have constant and consistent faculty senate information.

## **Senate Concern: Parking**

- Parking lot non-accessibility near stadium
- Inconvenience near Theatre
- Early morning parking issue
- Need an improved transportation plan
- Need a well-communicated park-and-ride scheme

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING**: November 22, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. in Academic Classroom Building (A101)

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