

FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES
North Carolina A&T State University
Academic Classroom Building (A101)
Tuesday, April 26, 2016
3:00 p.m.

Dr. Tony Graham, Chair Presiding

Senate Members Present: Phoebe Ajibade, Ronnie Bailey, Arnold Barnes, Sherrie Cannoy, Temeka Carter, Nicole Dobbins, Angel Dowden, Albert Esterline, Bonnie Fields, Dwedor Ford, Roger Gagnon, Tony Graham, Julius Harp, Gwendolyn Highsmith-Quick, Louis Jackai, Floyd James, Dukka KC, Alvin Keyes, Luba Kurkalova, Roland Leak, Gary Lebby, Robert Li, Jianzhong Lou, Patrick Martin, Mahour Mellat-Parast, Gregory Meyerson, Elizabeth Newcomb, Thomas Redd, Ceola Ross Baber, Derick Smith, Octavious Spruill, David Tidwell, Li-Shiang Tsay, Lewis Waller, Hong Wang, Jenora Waterman, Aaron West, Sheila Whitley, Yunqui Zhang.

Departments Not Represented: Energy Environmental Systems; Industrial and Systems Engineering; Mechanical Engineering; Agribusiness, Applied Economics and Agriscience Education; Graphic Design Technology.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Tony Graham.

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

It was properly moved and seconded to approve the March 22, 2016 Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes. The motion carried.

Senate Welcome

Dr. Tony Graham

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

Guest Presenters

Associate Vice Provost for Enrollment Management Ms. Erin Hart. Ms. Hart provided enrollment figures. She noted that the good news is that numbers are up for new freshmen and transfer students for fall 2016 enrollment. Additionally, Ms. Hart shared new freshmen academic profiles and stated that admission by college/school reveals that the largest student enrollment increases are in the areas of nursing and arts and sciences. Continuous tracking and registration point-in-time comparisons will be made.

Provost Joe B. Whitehead. Provost Whitehead shared a PowerPoint presentation entitled *New Faculty of the Future Comprehensive Report* prepared by Interim Human Resources Vice Chancellor Dr. Ericka Smith. Dr. Smith presented the report to the Board of Trustees at its April 22, 2016 meeting. It was noted that over 60 percent of the faculty at the University are eligible

for retirement over the next 10 years. The *New Faculty of the Future Comprehensive Report* includes hiring trends of new faculty of the future. Provost Whitehead stated that a hiring tool kit will be available at a later date. The tool kit includes the hiring process.

Committee Reports

New Programs and Curricula Committee

Dr. Sheila Whitley

The New Programs and Curricula Committee met on April 12, 2016 and April 14, 2016. Dr. Whitley brought to the floor 50 proposals that were reviewed and approved in their committee meetings and a course for inclusion in the General Education course pool. Proposals were from the following areas: Applied Engineering Technology; Biology; Built Environment; Business Education; Chemical, Biological & Bioengineering; Chemistry; Civil Engineering; Computational Science Engineering; Computer Engineering; Computer Science; Curriculum and Instruction; Electrical and Computer Engineering; Electrical Engineering; Energy & Environmental Systems; English; Family and Consumer Sciences; Graphic Design Technology; History; Human Development and Services; Human Performance and Leisure Studies; Journalism and Mass Communication; Liberal Studies; Mathematics; Political Science and Criminal Justice; Physics; Psychology; Sociology and Social Work; and Visual and Performing Arts.

It was properly moved and seconded that the proposals presented by the Chair be approved with the exception of the proposed educational policy change in the Physics undergraduate package stating that a "C-" is an acceptable grade in all Math courses, but it was approved that "C-" is an acceptable grade in all Physics courses.

Vote Count

For Passage of Motion: 17

Against Passage of Motion: 7

Abstention: 6

Dr. Floyd James presented discussion referencing C- in Physics stand.

New Business

Dr. Tony Graham

The Faculty Senate tabled its April 2016 elections pending the reorganization of the new academic structure. Nominations and elections will take place at the August or September 2016 Senate meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: August 23, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. in Academic Classroom Building (A101)

Nina R. Ingram
Recorder