

## **FACULTY SENATE MINUTES**

**May 4, 2006**

The Faculty Senate of the University of North Alabama met May 4, 2006 in the Faculty/Staff Commons of the University Center at 3:30 p.m.

President Adams called the meeting to order and recognized Dr. Anna Lott for Senator Atkinson from the English Department.

The following senators were present: Adams, Adler, Bates, Bradford, Brown, Bruce, Bunn, Crandon, Crisler, Davidson, Dumas, Fennell, Flowers, Ford, Gaston, Gaunder, Gossett, Green, Hallock, Hurren, Leonard, Loew, Makowski, Mauriello, McDaniel, Myhan, Richardson, Robinson, Roden, Statom, Turner, Wallace, Ward, and Williams.

President Adams requested an amendment to the agenda under additional issues from last month's meeting concerning whether we want our elected committee members to vote at the senate's direction. Senator Gaunder moved the adoption of the amended agenda. Senator Richardson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Senator Richardson moved the approval of the March 16 minutes. Senator Robinson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President Cale reported that the advertisement for the Director of Human Resources has been placed in the Chronicle for Higher Education. The search committee will be chaired by Doug Barrett. President Cale stated that he likes the initiative by the Shared Governance Committee and the Faculty Senate to form a committee to look at the problems regarding the issue of the tenure decision being discussed across campus. He thanked everyone for their hard work during the year and wished them a great summer.

Vice-President for Academic Affairs and Provost Newson reported that the strategic document is in the Strategic Planning and Budget Committee's hands. They will work through the summer in order to have something ready for the fall. He stated that sixty-six faculty and staff had participated. Dr. Newson also stated that he was glad to see work underway to address problems with the Faculty Handbook. Dr. Newson addressed the issue of the status of two documents which had been sent to his office. He stated that the Office Hours Policy Document had been sent to the Faculty/Staff Welfare Committee along with the Policy on Conflicting Decisions from a Dean and the VPAA requiring writing.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS;**

- A. President Adams reported that the Faculty Development Leave Policy is in the Strategic Planning and Budget Committee.
- B. President Adams recognized the new senators: Richard Statom from Physics and Earth Science, Paul Crandon from Communication and Theatre, Wanda Bradford

from Nursing, Ruth Dumas from Elementary Education, and Nick Mauriello from English. He also recognized the reelected senators: Robert Adler from Foreign Languages, Katherine Crisler from Social Work, Leon Davidson from Secondary Education, Allan Flowers from Music, Sandra Loew from Counseling, Terry Richardson from Biology, Phil Robinson from Mathematics and Computer Science, and Alex Takeuchi from Sociology.

- C. Senator Makowski moved to accept the Grievance Committee Report. Senator Richardson seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Senator Richardson moved to circulate the report to the faculty. Senator Robinson seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Senator Makowski moved to appoint the senate's Faculty Affairs Committee to serve on a working committee formed by the Faculty/Staff Welfare Committee. Senator Adler seconded. Senator Makowski amended to say tenured members of the Faculty Affairs Committee be appointed to serve on this working committee. Senator Richardson seconded the amendment. The amendment passed. The motion passed. Pete Williams was elected to represent the College of Business. Concern was expressed related to staff members serving on this work committee. Senator Gaunder moved that the recommendations which come from this committee be given to the senate for approval before it goes further in the process. Senator Robinson seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Senator Robinson urged this group to work as quickly and diligently as possible since this issue involves peoples' lives.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Committee Reports:

Faculty Affairs: Craig Robertson reported that each member has been given 6 institutions to get information concerning teaching effectiveness and they will convey this information to the new working group.

Faculty Attitude Survey – Craig Robertson reported that the survey was sent by email for the second year. The response rate was 69%. He thanked Todd Stanfield, Larry Adams, George Makowski and the department chairs for sending out reminders. He discussed the categorized comments. Senator Makowski moved to accept the report. Senator Richardson seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Senator Gaunder moved that an electronic version of the results be sent to the entire faculty. Senator Makowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Shared Governance Committee: A printed ballot from the Nominating Committee for nominees to the Shared Governance committees was provided for each senator to cast their vote. The Nominating Committee then counted the votes.

- C. The Search Committee for Associate Vice-President for Advancement – no report.  
The Search Committee for the Dean of the College of Education- They hope to have a list of candidates sent to President Cale by next week.

**NEW BUSINESS: None**

**ADDITIONAL ISSUES:**

A discussion concerning whether the senate wants senate standing committee members to vote as the senate voted when the senate sends an issue forward to a Shared Governance committee or whether the senate wants to require that if an issue is changed, it must come back to the senate was conducted.

Nominating Committee member, Tony Blose reported the results of the votes for the Shared Governance committees.

The following list indicates the nominees for the University Committees which were nominated by the Faculty Senate.

ATHLETIC - Walter Campbell

CURRICULUM (A&S) – Lynne Rieff and Frances Koti

CURRICULUM (Education) – Linda Lewis, Bob Young and Peggy Campbell  
LIBRARY - Laura Stokes

DISTANCE LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (A&S) – Mark Puckett

DISTANCE LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Business) - Paulette Alexander

DISTANCE LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Education) – Linda Lewis

DISTANCE LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Library) – Leigh Thompson

DISTANCE LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Nursing) – Wanda Bradford

GRAPHICS STANDARDS – Dan Burton and Amy Butler

INFRASTRUCTURE – Phil Robinson

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM OFFERINGS (IPO) – Craig Christy and Larry Adams

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS (EDUCATION) –Pam Fernstrom

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS (NURSING) – Lynn Aquadro

MULTICULTURAL (A&S) – Daryl Brown

MULTICULTURAL (Education) – Annie Dillon

READMISSIONS (A&S) – Katherine Crisler

READMISSIONS (Business) – David Black

READMISSIONS (Education) – Ruth Dumas

RESEARCH – Amy Crews-Owens

SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS – Don Roush

SHARED GOVERNANCE (UMBRELLA) COMMITTEE – Bob Gaunder

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND BUDGET STUDY (SPBS) Bill Strong

STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES – Anita Garner and Brian Thompson

TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (A&S) – Jim Riser

TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Education) – Carolyn Lovett

TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Business) – Paulette Alexander

President Adams stated that it was a most enjoyable year. He appreciated the level of cooperation. He turned over the gavel to President Loew.

Senator Richardson moved to adjourn. Senator Roden seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.