

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
December 4, 2014

The Faculty Senate of the University of North Alabama met December 4, 2014 in Commons 330 at 3:30 p.m.

President Infanger called the meeting to order and recognized the following proxies:

Chiong-Yiao Chen for Senator Kirch from Art,
Mario Mighty for Senator Brommer from Geography,
John Hodges for Senator Crisler from Social Work,
Felecia Harris for Senator Kinney from Elementary Education,
Glen Marvin for Senator Hubler from Biology,
Alaina Shockley for Senator Brown from English, and
Stephanie Bolton for Senator Derouen from Kilby.

Senator Barrett moved the adoption of the agenda. Senator Lee seconded. The motion passed.

Senator Lee moved the approval of the November 13, 2014 minutes. Senator Stovall seconded. The motion passed.

President Thornell was unable to attend.

Vice-President Calhoun thanked the faculty for participating in the Regalia Day sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences. He stated that he has formally constituted the group of associate deans for each college. This council will assist the Council of Academic Deans in several matters including: Competency Based Education, the possibility of degree completion on the Northwest Shoals Community College Campus, how to become a more sustainable campus, the review of technical courses currently taken at the junior college level for possible transferrable degree credit, and review of the Academic Honesty Policy. He stated that we are aware that we need to be attentive to enrollment. We happen to be dramatically higher with applications from last year. We are increasing marketing and recruitment areas and had a record number of students attend preview day.

REPORTS:

- A. The Faculty Attitude Survey has been finalized with the elimination of ten questions.
- B. The Faculty Affairs Committee is considering courses which do not “make” in the summer and the possibility of allowing faculty to negotiate to teach the class at a negotiated fee. They have a March deadline to recommend a policy.
- C. The Academic Affairs Committee did not have a report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Statom moved to postpone consideration of the Faculty Handbook Chapter 5 Addition, Definition of Credit Hours until the February meeting. Senator Lee seconded. The motion passed. Senator Peterson moved to refer this topic to the Academic Affairs Committee with consultation with department chairs and to have the committee come back with a recommendation at the February meeting. Senator Barrett seconded. The motion passed. Faculty members were encouraged to forward suggestions to the Academic Affairs Committee.
- B. Senator Franklin moved the approval of the Recommended Practices for Full-time Faculty at the Instructor Rank for Reappointment Application. Senator Coffman seconded. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Senator Garfrerick moved the approval of the proposal to form a University Faculty Committee for the review of non-traditional and interdisciplinary curriculum proposals. Senator Ruebhausen seconded. Senator Huddleston moved to table the motion. Senator Statom seconded. The motion to table passed. Senator Peterson moved to refer the issue to the Academic Affairs Committee with a request to have a response by the January meeting. Senator Lee seconded. The motion passed.
- B. Senator Statom moved to postpone consideration of the proposal for the Faculty Handbook Section 3.2.4 Revisions to the Department Chairperson – Appointment, Workload, and Supplement until the February meeting. Senator Lee seconded. The motion passed. Senator Peterson moved to task the Faculty Affairs Committee with reviewing and returning recommendations to this body. Senator Barrett seconded. The motion passed.
- C. Senator Statom moved the approval of the revision to the Faculty Handbook Appendix 4A, Master's Plus One. Senator Lee seconded. The motion passed.
- D. Alaina Shockley moved to approve the policy that a Title IX statement be included in all syllabi. Senator Barrett seconded. The motion passed.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- A. The Student Copyright Notice has passed through Shared Governance and was approved by President Thornell on November 20, 2014.
- B. The next senate meeting will be January 15, 2015.

Senator Roden moved the meeting be adjourned. Senator Statom seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.