

**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
University of Missouri-St. Louis  
Faculty Senate  
March 22, 2016 - 3 p.m.  
202 JCPenney**

The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by the Senate Chair, Dr. Keith Stine. Dr. Stine asked for approval of the minutes from the meeting on Feb. 23, 2016. The minutes were approved as written.

**Report of the Chairperson (Dr. Keith Stine):**

- Chair Stine reminded the Senate that the nominations for the Chancellor's Awards for Excellence are due Apr. 4, 2016. He encouraged them to nominate their colleagues.
- Dr. Stine announced that the Faculty Senate's First Organizational Meeting for 2016-2017 will be held on Apr. 5, 2016. He explained that a new senate chair will be elected at the April 5 meeting and an orientation will be given for the newly elected senators.
- Dr. Stine stated that the last University Assembly/Faculty Senate meeting & reception for this academic year will be held on Apr. 26 in the MSC Century Rooms.
- Dr. Stine commented that there is no IFC report because the IFC will meet later this week.
- Dr. Stine announced that representatives from UM System will be conducting a forum to seek input for the UM System Presidential Search. He asked the Senate to encourage their colleagues to attend this forum which will occur on Apr. 4 at 3:30 in MSC Century Room A.

**Report of the Chancellor (Dr. Thomas George):**

Chancellor George provided an update about the budget. He announced that an adjustment was being made to the budget timeline. The Budget and Planning Committee did not meet on March 18 as planned. Administrators are meeting with vice chancellors, vice and associate provosts, and deans to discuss recommended budget reductions. The budget plan will be discussed at the next Budget and Planning Committee meeting on April 6. The plan should be finalized the week of April 13. Chancellor George said that the final plan should be shared with the campus community during the week of April 25.

Chancellor George gave a legislative update. He commented that the recent legislative day was successful. He explained that the Missouri House budget is done, with a proposed \$7.6 million reduction from the UM System budget. He reported that UM System is trying to get the funds restored through the Senate. Dr. George explained that when the Senate has completed their review of the budget, it goes to Conference to be finalized in mid-May. Chancellor George is following other legislative bills that are related to education and will keep the Senate updated.

### **UM System Presidential Search Discussion (Mr. Tim McIntosh, UM System HR):**

Mr. McIntosh, Lead Human Resource Consultant from UM System, explained that he attended the Senate meeting to seek input for the UM System Presidential Search Committee. He asked the Senate for their suggestions regarding the desired traits of a system president in the areas of education, experience, leadership characteristics, and relationship to higher education. The Senate provided good feedback as they shared their thoughts about the ideal profile of a system president and the traits they considered to be essential. Mr. McIntosh noted their ideas and suggestions. He announced that a public forum will be held on April 4 at 3:30 in the MSC Century Room to discuss this topic further. He encouraged them to invite their colleagues.

An update on the Chief Diversity Officer position was scheduled as the next agenda item. However, Ms. Deborah Burris was not available to attend due to an urgent unexpected meeting. An update will be re-scheduled.

### **Appointments, Tenure, & Promotion Committee Report (Dr. Patty Parker):**

Dr. Parker reported the following:

The committee met on January 15, 2016 to consider 11 cases for tenure and promotion. The cases reviewed were as follows:

- 5 - Promotion to Professor, of which 3 received a positive recommendation.
- 5 - Tenure and promotion to Associate Professor, of which 4 received a positive recommendation.
- 1 - Tenure only, which received a positive recommendation.

The recommendations were subsequently forwarded to Chancellor George.

### **Recruitment, Admissions, Retention, & Student Financial Aid Committee (Dr. Jennifer Siciliani):**

Dr. Siciliani explained that the committee recommended the following two proposals:

- Proposal 1:  
Propose that faculty participation in the Verification of Enrollment (roster verification) process be mandatory.
- Proposal 2:  
The committee recommended changes to the policy regarding scholarship distribution at UMSL. The proposal recommended that each unit provide a designated scholarship point person or Unit Scholarship Coordinator (USC) to work with Student Financial Aid to ensure scholarships are awarded.

**The Faculty Senate approved both of the above proposals. Following the meeting, the proposals were forwarded to the Provost's office for implementation.**

### **Curriculum and Instruction Committee Report (Mr. Michael Allison):**

Mr. Allison presented the following program proposals:

- General Education Requirement (Change)
- Minor in Gerontology (Addition)

- Undergraduate certificate in Gerontological Studies (Change)
- B.A. in Political Science (Change)
- Flex Masters of Business Administration (Change)
- Professional Masters of Business Administration (Change)
- International Masters of Business Administration (Change)
- B.S.Ed. in Secondary Education, Physical Education K-9 (Drop)
- Traditional B.S. in Nursing (Change)
- Accelerated B.S. in Nursing (Change)
- R.N. to B.S. in Nursing (Change)
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (Change)
- Post-graduate certificates in Nursing (Change)
- Post-graduate certificate in Acute Care Pediatrics Nurse Practitioner (Addition)

**The Senate approved all of the above proposals.**

**Executive Session:**

The Senate met in Executive Session to consider candidates nominated to receive honorary degrees.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Keefer  
Senate/Assembly Secretary

(Minutes written by Loyola Harvey, Faculty Senate/University Assembly Office)