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# MINUTES - August 28, 2000

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UPCOMING MEETING:
September 11, 2000 2:45 PM
Culp Forum Room

FOLLOWING MEETING: September 25, 2000 2:45 PM Culp Forum Room

Present: Alavi, Aston, Burgess, Butler, Chenoweth, Chi, Collins, Deadman, Fisher, Grover, Harvey, Hayes, Hemphill, Kerley, King, Li, Logan, Martin, McKinney, Mehta, Miller H., Miller P., Montgomery, Patrick, Perry, Poole, Price, Reesman, Sluss, Stanley, Steadman, Stone, Tollefson, Varney, Verhegge, West, Williams.

Excused: Anderson, Mattioli.

Absent: Broome, Burkett, Faust, Gallemore, Johnson, Kelley, Mohon, Obregon, Oppewal, Parker.

Guests: Dr. Bert Bach, Dr. Rich Ranker.

#### CALL TO ORDER:

With a quorum present, President Patrick called the meeting to order at 2:54 p.m. and welcomed Senators to the final meeting of the 1999-2000 Faculty Senate.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the April 24, 2000 meeting were unanimously approved.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Treasurer's Report. Kerley delivered the Treasurer's report.
- Remarks and Presentations by Outgoing President Patrick. Patrick thanked the Faculty Senate for its work during the 1999-2000 session. Patrick presented certificates to the outgoing Executive Committee: Steadman (President-elect), McKinney (Secretary), Kerley (Treasurer), Chenoweth (At-Large), Chi (At-Large) and Stone (At-Large). Committee chairs were recognized and presented with certificates: Hemphill (Concerns & Grievances), Chenoweth (Committee on Committees), Logan (Academic Matters), Miller, P. (Elections and Bylaws), Oppewal (Research, Creative and Scholarly Activities), Parker/King (Development and Evaluation) and Burgess (Promotion and Tenure Appeals). Outgoing Senators were recognized for completing full terms (1997-2000): Alavi, Collins, Chenoweth, Johnson, Kelley, Kerley, Oppewal, Parker, Patrick, Perry, Stanley and West. Patrick stated that Stanley, Alavi, Kelley, Kerley, Patrick and Varney will be returning to the Senate for full terms. The following Senators were recognized for completing split terms: Faust (1999-2000) and Varney (1999-2000). Patrick recognized the valuable contributions of Dr. Bill Fisher and presented him with a Certificate of Merit.

### ADJOURNMENT:

The final meeting of the 1999-2000 Faculty Senate was adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

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#### CALL TO ORDER:

President Steadman called the first meeting of the 2000-01 Faculty Senate to order at 3:07 p.m.

#### **REMARKS BY NEW PRESIDENT:**

Steadman welcomed the 2000-01 Faculty Senate and introduced the Executive Committee Logan (President-elect), McKinney (Secretary) and Kerley (Treasurer). After the introduction of Senate members, Steadman stated that Dr. Bill Fisher, representing the Retirees' Association, is now a full voting member of the Faculty Senate.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Election of Three (3) At-Large Members to Executive Committee Elections Committee. A motion was unanimously approved that Chi, Collins and Stone be elected by acclimation.
- <u>Faculty Senate Committees.</u> Descriptions of Faculty Senate Committees were provided and preference forms distributed to Senators.
- Vacancies for University Committees. Steadman reported the following vacancies in University Standing Committees: General Education Advisory Committee (to be filled by representative from any college), Teacher Education Council (to be filled by representative from Physical Education, Exercise and Sport Sciences PEXS), Academic Freedom Committee (to be filled by representative from Library), Intercollegiate Athletics Committee two positions (one position to be filled by representative from Arts and Sciences and one position to be filled by representative from Nursing), Parking and Traffic Security three positions (to be filled by representatives from any college). Steadman encouraged Senators to nominate representatives for these important positions. Nominations can be sent to the Faculty Senate President at his e-mail address: steadman@etsu.edu.
- Appointment of Parliamentarian. Tollefson was appointed to continue his service as Parliamentarian of the Faculty Senate.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

• Dr. Rich Ranker discussed a handout summarizing numerous OIT summer projects affecting faculty. Highlights included: completed four new multimedia classrooms, assumed responsibility of multimedia lecture halls, provided numerous workshops, started Faculty Technology Leadership program, upgraded student labs, completed

Microsoft Campus Agreement, improvements to Help Desk and replacement of current calling cards with Qwest calling cards. (For more information, contact Dr. Rich Ranker at x9-8613)

- Fisher distributed and discussed a handout regarding the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System and the Optional Retirement Program. He also discussed a handout on inflation performance comparison. Fisher noted that he had been appointed to the ORP Investment Committee, State of Tennessee Treasury Department, Deferred Compensation Program, as a TBR representative and he is seeking faculty input regarding Valic investment product changes. He stated that a TCRS counselor will be on campus September 27 to meet with participants.
- Dr. Bert Bach announced that the TBR Academic Affairs Sub-Council endorsed the proposed ETSU policy regarding the transfer of grades earned at other institutions. Dr. Bach is confident the policy will be approved by TBR.

# ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

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