

Minutes

General Faculty Meeting

October 13, 2016 – Lowrimore Auditorium

- I. Meeting was called to order by Chair Flannagan at 3:48 PM**
- II. Minutes from the April 19, 2016 meeting were approved as posted.**
- III. Winners of elections were announced:**

Academic Affairs: School of Health Sciences - Annie Muller (Nursing)

Academic Freedom & Tenure Grievance - Teresa Herzog (Psychology)

Accreditation: College of Liberal Arts - Meredith Love (English)

Accreditation: School of Education - Erik Lowry (Education)

Accreditation: School of Business - Susan Peters (Business)

Accreditation: School of Health Sciences - Julie Thomas (Physician Assistant Program)

Admissions, Advising, and Retention - Kathy McCoy (Mathematics)

Budget Review and Planning - David Franck (Economics)

Faculty Life: Humanities - David Baxley (Mass Communications)

Faculty Life: School of Health Sciences - Gaye Douglas (Nursing)

Faculty Life: School of Education - Jeanne Gunther (Education)

Grade Appeals - Justin Yates (Industrial Engineering)

Honors Program: 2018 Term - Natalie Johnson (Political Science)

Honors Program: 2019 Term - Matt Turner (Philosophy)

Information Technology - Charles Jeffcoat (Fine Arts) and Justin Yates (Industrial Engineering)

Nominating - Natalie Johnson (Political Science)

Professional Development: Humanities - Scott Kaufman (History)

Professional Development: School of Health Sciences - Chip Hull (Physician Assistant Program)

Professional Development: School of Education - Daljit Kaur (Education)

IV. Report from Executive Committee

Chair Flannagan has appointed Shawn Smolen-Morton from the Department of English to serve as Parliamentarian for the Faculty Senate and General Faculty. We have 25 new full-time temporary or tenure-track faculty on campus. Two new Board of Trustees members: Karen Leatherman and Mr. Benjamin Duncan. Ken Jackson continues as Chair of the BOT. The October 13, 2016 Faculty meeting will have a larger than usual election due to attrition and faculty members moving into different responsibilities. Chair Flannagan, AAUP President Mark Blackwell, and Dr. Carter will host a reception at The Cottage following this and all faculty meetings this school year. We are in the process of hiring a Speech Pathology Director. We received recurring monies from the State to start the program which includes this hire. Remember: like the PA program, we have

about 18 months before the first class will arrive on campus—fall, 2018. We also started the rollout of the Center for Academic Success and Advising (CASA) which is headed by Associate Provost Jennifer Kunka. CASA will encompass the Writing Center, All Tutoring Center, UL Life program, and Career Development Center. We are in the process of procuring FINALLY our new ERP, Colleague. We are looking at a 2 year rollout for this after its purchase. Rusty Ward has begun the process of preparing the written part of the SACS-COC document which will be due to SACS next year. The site visit for the team will be on campus in March, 2018. Chris Johnson will be heading up the preparation for the SACS-required new QEP program. He has sent an e-mail regarding how that program will be developed via forums and other kinds of communication processes. FMU will likely ask for the following monies for the 2016-17 legislative year:

- a. accreditation costs (recurring)
- b. maintenance costs
- c. STEM monies (recurring)
- d. 2.5 million for the Honors Center (received 700,000 last year) no-recurring.
- e. money for the Education and Business building via a Bond Bill.

Dr. Chris Kennedy has moved into the Role of Associate Provost for Graduate Programs. Dr. Alissa Warters is now the Associate Provost for Enrollment Management. These changes occurred over the summer when Peter King assumed the role of Provost.

V. Report from the Senate (*See the attachment for complete proposals. See the appendix for supporting materials.*)

1. School of Education – *Motion passed as written.*
Item A. Modifies prerequisite requirements for EDUC 313
2. School of Health Sciences – *Motion passed as written.*
Item A. Adds a Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP) program.
Item B. Changes School of Health Sciences academic program options.
Item C. Adds degree option (DNP).

VII. Old Business - None

VIII. New Business –The following motion was brought to the floor for voting:
“Resolved, that the faculty request Dr. Carter to request Nikki Haley to grant whatever waiver is needed so that the University have the option of having classes on Election Tuesday, because of the hurricane.” *Motion did not pass.*

IX. Announcements – Various upcoming events were announced and discussed.

X. Meeting was adjourned at 4:48 by Chair Beckie Flannagan