

LVI No. 14
Faculty Senate Minutes
April 13, 2022

The Faculty Senate of Southeast Missouri State University met on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, in the Program Lounge of the University Center. The following Senators were present: Mike, Aide, Eric Billington, Marcus Bond, Vera Campbell-Jones, Eric Clements, Jenny Cropp, Erin Fluegge, Susan Fulton, Stephanie Hallam, Joni Hand, Laura Hatcher (Chair), Andy Liu, Kim Louie (Chair-Elect), Hayley Love, Jenna Moore, Pam Parry, Tim Schmidt, Songyon Shin, Mike Taylor, and David Yaskewich. Provost Mike Godard and SGA representative Allison Lauter were also present. Shannon Clapsaddle, Monica Kearney, and Larry Bohannon were not present. Belinda McMurry and James Youn were not present or represented by an alternate. The following alternates were present: William McNeary, Beverly Evans, and Jessica Benton. R.D. Nordgren attended as proxy for Shannon Clapsaddle.

Chair Hatcher called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the 14th meeting of the 56th session--the last full session. She reminded the senate that the next meeting on April 27 is a split session. The first half of the meeting will be the final meeting of the 56th session and, at the end, she will hand the gavel off to Chair-Elect Louie. New senators will come in and old senators leaving office will leave. Chair Louie will gavel in the first meeting of the 57th session. Chair Hatcher also reminded the committee chairs that final year end reports are due Friday, April 22 at 5 p.m. Those reports are posted on the webpage. Chair Hatcher then asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 30 meeting. A motion was made by Senator Taylor and seconded by Chair-Elect Louie. The minutes were approved and will reflect that Senators Aide and Taylor were in attendance on March 30. Attendance was revised and the minutes were posted on the web page.

Chair Hatcher then asked Professional Affairs if there was a motion. A motion was made by Senator Fulton to “untable” the proposed bill regarding graduate faculty status (**22-A-4**); seconded by Senator Schmidt. Unanimously approved. Chair Hatcher asked for a second motion. Senator Fulton made a motion to present the graduate faculty bill (**22-A-4**) for a second reading; seconded by Chair-Elect Louie. Senator Fulton discussed some clarifications that were made and then called the question to vote on **22-A-4**. The graduate faculty bill—**22-A-4** passed with one abstention.

Senator Schmidt asked for a motion to return the 5 year academic calendar bill **22-A-6** from table status; seconded by floor. All were in favor. Senator Schmidt called for a motion to consider only the Summer date changes—a motion to amend the Summer date changes for academic years 2022-2024. Chair Hatcher asked for a vote on whether the Senate can change only the Summer dates without considering the other terms (due to athletic considerations that have not been sorted). Passed unanimously.

Senator Schmidt moved to introduce and adopt a resolution for Spring 2022 and Summer 2022 graduation. He included a friendly amendment to include Summer 2022 since the Summer term is a degree date without ceremony. Chair Hatcher called for a vote for passing the amended graduation resolution. Passed unanimously.

Senator Cropp asked for motion to begin the discussion regarding the conflict of interest policy and procedures and provide a progress report; seconded by Chair-Elect Louie. Questions and discussion followed with Chair Hatcher emphasizing that the senate was not discussing a bill—that it was a collaboration with the business side of the university. Conflict of interest affects all university employees—not only faculty. Chair Hatcher brought the discussion back to the request to continue the discussion with Dr. Sheriff and supporting the process and called the question. Passed unanimously.

Chair's Report:

Chair Hatcher has been working with Chair-Elect Louie on the transition

Provost's Report

Several ongoing searches including Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences. Provost Faculty Fellow Award recipient will be announced soon.

Student Government Association Report

Elections were held and are in process of transitioning. Also approving funds for student conferences. SAC was disbanded. Feedback was elicited on extended office hours; lots of feedback was provided. Students can always make appointments with faculty

Academic Affairs: Graduation Resolution and Academic Calendar

Compensation:--No report; Senator Parry hopes the proposals are accepted

Documents: Senator Hand—No meeting—finished work

Governance: Senator Cropp—met last week to discuss language for chair review—ad hoc committee

Professional Affairs: Senator Fulton—chairs' task force finished work and chaired with Provost and Provost

Membership: Senator Fluegge—all new senators have been appointed except for 1 department; thanked senators serving 3 years

Chair Hatcher asked for a motion to move into executive session for 5 minutes; motion approved by floor; seconded by Senator Schmidt; all agreed.

Motion requested to go back on the record; floor approved and Senator Schmidt seconded. Back on the record at 4:03 p.m.

Adjournment: Chair Hatcher called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by the floor and seconded by Senator Taylor. The Faculty Senate adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 27 from 3-5 p.m. in the Program Lounge of the University Center.