The Faculty Senate of Southeast Missouri State University met on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 in the Missouriana/Redhawks Room. The following Senators were present: Rick Althaus, Jennifer Bengston, Carl Bloom, Larry Bohannon, Eric Clements, Martha Cook, Kevin Dickson, Kathy Ham, Joni Hand, Tom Holman, Roberta Humphrey, Don Jung, Ziping Liu, Jacelyn Martin, Jim McGill, Belinda McMurry, Melissa Odegard-Koester, Peter Oman, Jian Peng, David Powell, Willie Redmond, Claudia Ruediger, Tim Schmidt, Carol Veneziano, Bart Williams, and Diane Wood. Provost Kunkel was also present. The following alternate was present: Hyeon J. Cho. Insley Smith was present as the Student Government Liaison. Senators not present or represented by an alternate were: Julie Weathers and Nicolas Wilkins.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes for February 24, 2016 (50.12) were approved.

New Business
Senator Humphrey introduced Bill 16-A-XX Jane Stephens Procedures. Senator Dickson stated that this bill came out of discussion from the program. He explained that there was a similar bill the previous year to update the handbook. Senator Dickson explained the changes to this bill. Senator Humphrey will bring the bill to the next Senate meeting for approval.

Chair Bloom introduced 16-X Resolution Conceal and Carry and also a resolution from the Missouri Association of Faculty Senates (MAFS) entitled Resolution Articulating Opposition to Conceal and Carry on Campus. He explained the contents of both resolutions and that MAFS wants a consensus from Faculty Senates state wide. After a long discussion and careful consideration, with a vote of 23 for, 1 against, and three abstentions, the Senate approved the MAFS resolution for conceal and carry on campus.

Old Business
Senator Humphrey moved to approve Bill 16-A-XX Teaching Policies on Examination and Grade Policy. She explained to the Senate what changes were made to the bill since the last meeting. After much discussion about the bill, Senator Humphrey decided to withdraw the bill.

Reports
Chair Bloom reported that after Spring Break, the President is hosting a reception for all faculty on Monday, March 21 in the Alumni building from 4-6 p.m. He also stated that, in the Arrow, there is an article about Dean review. He hasn’t heard anything from the President’s office about this but he will keep everyone informed.

Provost Kunkel reported that he is in the progress of visiting all the units in Academic Affairs. He stated that he asked the Chairs to submit a two to three page document that provided a brief statement on missions, strengths, and challenges to make him aware of the
units of Academic Affairs. He stated that he has scheduled an hour meeting with every unit to give him the opportunity to for him to get out and learn and listen, and to meet people. Lastly, the Provost took time to answer questions the Senators had.

Insley Smith, Student Government Liaison, reported that the tutoring room may be moved from CSI to Kent Library. She also reported that the Student Government tabled funding request for Parker Field. She stated that one of the representatives is working on a whole new design for the field.

**Legislative Committee Reports**

**Academic Affairs** – Senator Humphrey reported that the committee worked on the two bills that were presented today, and that they continue to work on the academic honesty section of the Faculty Handbook.

**Compensation** – Senator Oman reported that the committee met the previous week and that they are working to finalize budget requests.

**Documents** – Senator Powell reported that the committee met briefly the week before and they are working on a few minor items.

**Governance** – Senator Veneziano reported that the committee has been keeping in contact through email and continue to work on charged items.

**Professional Affairs** – Senator Althaus reported that the three open forums that the committee hosted for Conflict of Interest (COI) were on March 1-3. The attendance was varied but they did receive some useful information and will be incorporated into a revision bill for Chapter 3, Section B of the Faculty Handbook. When the committee met on March 2, they discussed the information they received from the first two COI forums. They also discussed a concerned that was raised by a faculty member. After discussion, they determined that it applies to the Grievance policies and procedures and determined the appropriate Senate committee to refer it for further consideration. Senator Althaus then reported on his most recent meeting with Vice-Provost McAllister and the provisions they are working on to revise the “Research Involving Human Subjects” section of the Faculty Senate. Lastly, he reported that the committee discussed and made suggestions about revisions to the Online Course Ownership policy.

**Membership** – Senator Schmidt reported that the committee received a request from the Provost office for a Faculty Senate representative for Institutional Review Board. He stated that as of right now, Senator Diane Wood is a nominee and it would be nice to bring forward two names.

**Adjournment**

Senator Redmond moved to adjourn. Senator Jung seconded. The Faculty Senate adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be held on March 23, 2016 in the UC Missouriana/Redhawks Room at 3:00 p.m.