

Austin Peay State University
Faculty Senate
Meeting of Thursday 24 October 2019
Morgan University Center, Rm #307 | 3:00 pm

Minutes

Call to Order – Senate President Rod Mills

Recognition of Guests: Alisa White, Lynne Crosby, Perry Scanlan

Roll call of Senators – Secretary David Rands

Absent: Kim Coggins, David Denton, Michael Dickins, Brad Fox, Matthew Hale, Jennifer Harris, Darren Michael, Gloria Miller, Bettina Shank, Philip Short, Christopher Wright

Approval of today's agenda – Approved

Approval of minutes from 26 September 2019 meeting – Motion made, seconded, and passed to approve minutes for 26 September 2019, one abstention.

Remarks

President Rod Mills reported on:

shared governance, the TN Sports Gaming Act, and the Governor's proposed \$25 million budget for vocational and dual enrollment.

President White discussed:

The rescheduling of the annual Faculty Reception. It will be held in the Spring.

Faculty need to be cautious to avoid any impropriety if engaging in online gambling over collegiate sports.

The discussion of student athlete compensation will be a topic of debate and is a thorny issue.

APSU's Health Professional Building is #3 on the THEC building list

There is a possibility of having a teaching demonstration when the Board meets.

We must allow free speech on campus, even if we disagree with the messages being presented.

Faculty should be sensitive to students who may be upset by alternative opinions expressed on campus.

Time ended and was extended for further discussion.

Curriculum Committee Report – Michelle Robertson:

Only 4000-level courses can be dually listed as graduate courses.

PsychD degree has been approved and the Accelerated Master's Degree has been terminated.

Treasurer Report – Phyllis Camilleri:

Report submitted and discussed – amended to delete repeating balances

Vote to accept report adopted unanimously

New Business:

2.041 University Excused Absences for Students – first reading

Includes language to permit dual-enrolled HS students excused absences for HS approved commitments.

Question regarding accreditation and informed that it is being closely monitored.

Motion to extend

Request for language to be changed to conform to policy of current university students

2.051 designation of “visiting” faculty – first reading

Policy adapted to reflect all temporary faculty be assigned the title of “visiting professor”.

Old Business:

Policy 2.064 Policy on Credit Hours

Definition of 1 credit hour = 55 minutes of instruction and 120 minutes of outside work per week for an average student over the course of a regular semester.

Online and on ground must be equivalent in hours required.

An amendment to include language regarding learning outcomes and credit hour requirements was added.

Motion passed

Academic Approval and Signing Authority

Outlines steps for approval and terms of academic agreements.

Amendment for exception if provided by general council or designee passed

Amendment for formatting clarification failed

Vote postponed until November

Program Accreditation

Language defining a degree program suggested and referred back to the glossary of terms available on the website.

Amendment to revise format and include definition of terms passed

Motion passed

Motion to adjourn was supported through voice vote

Meeting adjourned