LV No. 8 Faculty Senate Minutes November 18, 2020

The Faculty Senate of Southeast Missouri State University met on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 via Zoom. The following Senators were present: Larry Bohannon, Indi Braden, Vera Campbell-Jones, Eric Clements, Jenny Crop, Beverly Evans, Patricia Farrish, Erin Fluegge, Susan Fulton, Stephanie Hallam, Joni Hand, Laura Hatcher, Ziping Liu, Kim Louie, Elizabeth McFarland, Belinda McMurry, Pam Parry, Christina Ragain, Raju Vanteddu, Haohao Wang, Diane Wood, and David Yaskewich. Provost Godard and Xander Goffinet, Student Government Liaison, were also present. Shannon Clapsaddle, Pam Gershuny, and Arika Wiggins were present as alternates. Ruben Gerding and Lesly Krome were not present nor represented by an alternate.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for October 28, 2020 (55.7) were approved.

New Business

Senator Fluegge stated that Mary Harriet Talbut, Senior Instructional Designer in the Center for Teaching and Learning, reached out to her about the Senate hosting a TakeAway Friday. Mary suggested "How to Increase Student Evaluation Participation." Senator Fluegge had mentioned that this would be a great time for Senate to do this because it is right before the student evaluations go out. She stated that the TakeAway Friday would be on April 30 and asked if any other Senators would like to volunteer to be a part of it; Senator Fulton, Senator Bohannon, and Senator Campbell-Jones volunteered to help.

Reports

Chair Wood thanked the Senate for their help through the prioritization review. She stated that there were a few questions but for the most part, it went through smoothly.

Provost Godard also thanked the Senate for their participation through the review and putting Senate matter on hold till it was completed. He stated that in December, he will communicate to the faculty what his recommendations are. He is wanting phase two to will be at the beginning of the year and the President will take the recommendations to the Board of Regents meeting in February. He stated that he will keep the faculty posted on how things progress.

Xander, Student Government Liaison reported that the Student Government has approved a few funds for events, but there haven't been very many events due to the pandemic.

Legislative Committee Reports Academic Affairs – No report. Compensation – No report. Documents – No report. Governance – No report. Professional Affairs – No report. Membership – No report.

Non-Legislative Committee Reports

Johnson Faculty Center – Senator Hatcher reported that she emailed Brad Sheriff, Vice President for Finance and Administration, regarding the flooding in the basement of the building. She hasn't heard anything back but will reach out to him again.

RNTT AdHoc – Senator Hatcher reported that she has broken this committee down into subcommittees and has given each of them assignments to work on. She stated that she will report back to Senate when they pull their reports together.

Adjournment

Senator Farrish moved to adjourn; Senator Hatcher seconded. The Faculty Senate adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 27, 2020 from 3-5 p.m. via Zoom.