

**LI No. 4**  
**Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**September 21, 2016**

The Faculty Senate of Southeast Missouri State University met on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 in the US Missouriiana/Redhawks Room. The following Senators were present: Rick Althaus, Jennifer Bengston, Carl Bloom, Larry Bohannon, Shelba Branscum, Eric Clements, Martha Cook, Gary Cwick, Kevin Dickson, Kathy Ham, Joni Hand, Tom Holman, Roberta Humphrey, Don Jung, Carl Kinnison, Ziping Liu, David Mauk, Jim McGill, Melissa Odegard-Koester, Peter Oman, David Powell, Willie Redmond, Claudia Ruediger, Tim Schmidt, Jingjing Tong, Nicolas Wilkins, Bart Williams, and Diane Wood. Vice Provost Charles McAllister was also present. Barbara Glackin, Dean of Kent Library was present as a guest.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes for May 4, 2016 (51.2) and September 7, 2016 (51.3) were approved.

**Guest**

Barbara Glackin, Dean of Kent Library joined that Faculty Senate meeting and was very excited to share what changes she has and wants to bring to the Kent Library.

Dean Glackin reported that there is a new online platform called *Kanopy*. She went through *Kanopy* with the Senate and explained the site. She explained how there are about 100 – 200 titles being added a month and that the videos are grouped by categories and they are all listed in the library catalog. She also mentioned that there is now a service for document delivery, and that faculty and students are able to renew their book checkouts online to help eliminate overdue fees. Lastly, Dean Glackin explained the physical changes to the building; for example: The Material Center was renovated; a new family friendly computer room, there will be two new staff members added for operations and security, and study rooms with no windows will have doors replaced to include a window, and mirrors are being added to the hallways and stairs.

**New Business**

Senator Powell introduced *Bill 16-A-XX The College Dean Search Committee Procedures*. He explained to the Senate the changes that were made. Discussion took place. Senator Powell stated that he will implement the suggestions made by the Senate and will bring the bill to the next meeting for approval.

Chair Redmond discussed the HERI survey with the Faculty Senate. He stated that the survey is done every three years. He explained that the Senators are asked to split the cost of the survey. In doing so, the Senate is promised results from the survey. Chair Redmond also explained how the University can add questions to the survey, if they wish to. Discussion took place about the survey and also about doing the survey in house. Senator Jung moved to have the Faculty Senate contribute half the costs for the HERI survey; Senator Dickson seconded. A vote was taken; with 25 for the survey, one against, and one abstention, the Faculty Senate will help pay for the HERI survey.

## **Reports**

Chair Redmond reported that more of the Faculty Senate bills are in the process of being approved. He stated that the President mentioned that he would like to explore the idea of using balloons instead of redlines for the Faculty Senate bills; The President and Provost agree that it would be easier to read. The Chair also stated that the President will attend the October 5<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting.

Chair Redmond also reported that during the Administrative Council retreat retention and graduation were discussed. He then reminded the Senate that Dr. Vincent Tinto will be on campus October 19 and will meet with the Senate that afternoon. Lastly, the Chair stated that the faculty survey about the eclipse and canceling classes the first day next year will be going out soon.

## **Legislative Committee Reports**

**Academic Affairs** – Senator Schmidt reported that the committee has been working on the Academic Honesty section of the Faculty Handbook. They are getting feedback from Deans Council and other on the matter. He stated that they are also looking into Academic Program Review Committee and revision on that.

**Compensation** – Senator Wood reported that the committee met the previous week and are getting directions lined out for what they need to accomplish for this year.

**Documents** – Senator Bloom reported that the committee has divided up the Faculty Handbook to look at all the links and make sure they are active and correct. They are leading up to making the handbook a master document.

**Governance** – Senator Powell reported that they are currently working on a bill that was sent back to the committee; Standing Committees Policy and Procedures. They have found a few errors in the bills and are working to correct them. The committee also worked on the bill that was presented today.

**Professional Affairs** – Senator Odegard-Koester reported that the committee has developed a subcommittee to work on Chapter 2 of the Faculty Handbook. They are planning to get input from the Chairs and Deans regarding the Conflict of Interest section of the handbook.

**Membership** – Senator Humphrey reported that the committee is working hard to keep all the positions covered. She stated that one department has chosen not to have a representative on the Senate this year, another department is trying to find a replacement Senator, and the committee is also trying to find three alternates to replace.

## **Executive Session**

Senator Odegard-Koester moved to pass an emeritus bill for the following:

Leslee K. Pollina  
Allen C. Gathman  
James E. Ricks

Senator Schmidt seconded. A vote was taken and the bill passed.

**Adjournment**

Senator Schmidt moved to adjourn; Senator Dickson seconded. The Faculty Senate adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

**The next Faculty Senate meeting will be held on October 19, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. in the UC Missouriiana/Redhawks Room.**