

Minutes of the Administrative and Professional Faculty Senate: April 15, 2014

Senators in attendance: Ashlee Claud, Beth Deskins, Elizabeth McCormick, Loretta Estes, Phil Crigger, Laura Quesenberry, Lisa McDaniel, Alix Guynn, Leslie Anderson, Scott Bennett, James Harman, Anthony Byrd, Geoff White, John Leonard

Senators unable to attend: Jeff Orzolek, Sandra Bond, Dan Waidelich, Ed Oakes (Cabinet liaison)

1. Welcome. Meeting started at 10:34. Minutes from the March 18 meeting were approved.

2. Election results:

Academic Affairs: Anthony Byrd

Finance & Administration: Laura Quesenberry

Information Technology: Lisa McDaniel

Student Affairs: John Leonard and Geoff White

University Relations: Dan Waidelich

University Advancement: Sandra Bond

Library: Elizabeth McCormick (re-elected)

Executive: Alix Guynn

Terms begin July 1, 2014 and run through June 30, 2015. All Senators need to attend the May 20 meeting in order to elect Senate officers (all seats are up for election).

3. AP Faculty Handbook update from Ed Oakes via Ashlee Claud: met on April 4 and another meeting has been scheduled for April 18th.

4. Guest: Marc Jacobsen proposed the idea of IT creating away email messages for former employees. When someone leaves, the person's email is simply shut off; instead, could we have some kind of message which indicates the employee no longer works at RU? For personal contacts, have a different message that supplies the person's private email account. Lisa McDaniel said she would talk to the RU security officer to see what the current policy is; she thought such a message might be doable. She will also ask about the ability to carry forward the previous username from former email accounts (person was a student, then an alum, then an employee, then retiree).

5. Work-Life Balance Sub-Committee report: Hasn't met since March. Claud handed out copies of the Best Companies Group's survey mentioned at the last Senate meeting. Senators should look over the survey and have people in our divisions look at it as well; please supply feedback.

Dedmon Pool: does anyone know anything about this? Student Government Association created a resolution against its removal. How can an AP faculty member could get his/her opinion to the appropriate person. Suggestion of asking our constituents for their opinions and, on the basis of

those, possibly make a resolution. We should look at the financial side – how much does it cost to maintain the pool versus the amount of money/student fees coming in. There's a limited amount of money to fund various parts of Athletics. Also, how many faculty/staff actually use the pool?

Pay adjustments only for Teaching & Research faculty: what's a meaningful and productive way to bring up a similar study for AP faculty? In 2005, a salary study was supposed to have been done but never did. Possibly it's being done on a case-by-case basis for AP faculty. Senators agreed that we should ask Christina Brogdon to do the study. Claud is to ask Brogdon to attend the May meeting of the AP Senate to discuss this.

6. Next meeting: May 20 in the Bonnie Combo Room at 10:30 AM.
7. Meeting adjourned at 11:20.