



The University of Memphis

Faculty Senate

Presiding: Sheryl A. Maxwell

Secretary: Teresa S. Dalle

Senators Present: Jan R. Acuff, Reza Banai, Jeffrey S. Berman, Cynthia Bond-Hopson, Joel D. Bumgardner, Alan J. Bush, David W. Case, Cheryl A. Cox, Chhabil Dass, Carol O. Eady, Robert J. Frankle, Gary K. Golightly, Gene G. James, Walter G. Kirkpatrick, Roger J. Kreuz, O. Richard Lightsey, David N. Lumsden, Robert E. McDonough, H. Richard Mahood, Christopher E. Matz, Roger W. Meier, Albert A. Okunade, Alan W. Proffitt, Jean-Pierre Reed, Leslie S. Scruggs, Thomas Stafford, Patricia M. Stevens, Stanley E. Stevens, Irvin L. Tankersley, Joan D. Thomas, Howard S. Tu and Lecolion Washington.

Senators Present by Proxy: Sandra M. Cooley-Nichols (Jennifer A. Borek), Satish K. Kedia (Daniel C. Swan) and James I. Penrod (Teri L. Castelow).

Senators Absent: William H. Jermann (explained), Vacant (Military Sciences ROTC), Sanjay R. Mishra, Gang Qi (explained) and Ma'te Wierdl.

Representative to the Faculty Sub-council of the TBR: Charles J. Biggers (Stanley E. Stevens).

09.06.05.01 CALL TO ORDER

The President called the three hundred and thirty eight meeting of The University of Memphis Faculty Senate order in the M. Rose Theatre and Lecture Hall (Entertainment Lobby) at 2:45 p.m. on September 6, 2005 with a quorum present.

09.06.05.02 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as written.

09.06.05.03 GUEST SPEAKER

Patrick L. Perry, Associate Director of Financial Aid:

Mr. Perry explained The University of Memphis Peer Mentor Program for Scholarship students, which involves peers, faculty and staff mentoring scholarship students.

- a. The goal of the program is to pair current scholarship students with faculty who then participate in large and small group activities. Such mentoring results in better retention of good students, according to Mr. Perry.
- b. A Peer Mentor Kickoff Dinner meeting to introduce the program is scheduled for September 15, at 6:00 p.m. in the M. Rose Theater & Lecture Hall (Foyer) for interested students, faculty and staff. Mr. Perry left an invitation letter to the event for Senators to take with them and asked that the Senators get the memo out to interested faculty.

09.06.05.04 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of April 26, 2005, were approved as written. The Senate President, S. Maxwell noted that the Senate will no longer provide hard copies of the minutes at the meeting but instead will e-mail minutes to the Senators in advance of the meetings.

09.06.05.05 PRESIDENT REPORT

- President Maxwell recognized David Cox, Executive Assistant to President Shirley Raines, who will attend Senate meetings and Daniel Poje, Director Academic Programs Assessment, who will attend as the Provost's representative in place of Chrisann Schrio-Geist, Sr. Vice Provost Academic Affairs.
- The four (4) Commencement Models. President Maxwell informed the Senate that she is the Senate's representative to the university's committee on commencement. The committee seeks to provide a plan to alleviate the problems inherent in long commencement ceremonies, as happened during the May 2005 graduation
- Publicity. President Maxwell noted that the faculty is encouraged to inform the university of grants, research, and other important issues by contacting Update, the department chair, or the dean.
- Meeting with President Raines. General discussion with President Raines involved some of the same issues discussed with Provost, such as Hurricane Katrina. Hurricane Katrina - The University has admitted over 70 students from the Gulf Coast areas hit by Hurricane Katrina, and there have been around 300 inquiries. The campus community collection for victims resulted in \$7000.00 being collected. Also, a center for donating blood has been set up. Money was collected at The University of Memphis/Ole Miss football game, but the amount has not been announced. D. Cox also clarify some of the details stated that President Raines will soon announce various opportunities the university has for helping hurricane victims, such as working with the Mayor's Task Force of Volunteers and providing housing for students and others. He stated that inquiries about housing need to be routed to Vice President of Student Affairs, Rosie Bingham's office while academic issues should go to Provost Faudree's office.
- Meeting with Provost Faudree. Discussion involved the:
 - a. Cardiac or respiratory distress. President Maxwell stated that Provost Faudree has stated that our campus is equipped with cardiac and respiratory machines and trained personnel who respond within three minutes of a call.
 - b. The UoM's Mission Statement in action means volunteerism, such as mentoring.
 - c. Improved communication. President Maxwell stated that each Senator should seek a time on their respective deans and chair meeting agenda with faculty. Provost Faudree support such communication improvement and will state such to the deans at the upcoming Provost Council meeting.
- The UoM's Policies and Procedures. The URL for Policies and Procedures is <http://policies.memphis.edu/>. President Maxwell reported on the Children on Campus policy, which was signed on July 1 by President Raines. The focus of the policy was on safety of children on campus, but many faculty were critical of the wording of the policy, so changes have been made and are on-going.

09.06.05.06 Policy Review Board (PRB) Representative's Report – A. Proffitt

Senator A. Proffitt, explained the purpose of and function of the PRB but does not make policy. It screens policies to see if issues relate to faculty and if the policies. The PRB screens policies to see if issues relate to faculty and if the policies need to be review.

09.06.05.07 TBR Faculty Sub-Council Representative's Report – S. Maxwell
President Maxwell stated that Charles Biggers, Faculty Sub-Council representative, was absent due to academic obligations. In his absence, C. Biggers submitted his written report of the July 15, 2005 TBR Faculty Sub-Council meeting. NOTE: Senator E. Stevens will attend the October 4, 2005 meeting of the Sub-Council in lieu of C. Biggers). Although he is on leave C. Biggers has agreed to continue in his role as representative for the spring semester and will provide minutes of the meeting.

09.06.05.08 MARCUS ORR FACULTY SENATE LECTURESHIP IN HIGHER EDUCATION – T. Dalle, Chairperson

Senator T. Dalle explained the purpose and function of the Marcus Orr Lectureship and called committee members and nominations for speakers. E-mail requests will follow.

09.06.05.09 ANNOUNCEMENTS

UoM Family Night at Libertyland (5:30-9:30 rain or shine Friday, September 9, 2005).

Legacy Brick (purchased by 2002-2003 Faculty Senate – President C. Langstraat).

Decommission of web pages on sever: people.memphis.edu, effective calendar year ending for 2005.

Dr. Raines' First Friday Forum, Faculty Lounge (317), University Center

The Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Learning Communities Workshop Oct. 11, 2005, Contact: Dr. Donald R. Franceschetti, email facdev@memphis.edu

09.06.05.10 ADJOURN

MOTION: Move that the Senate adjourned to select committee chairs. **Motion passed.**
The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

09.06.05.11 STANDING COMMITTEES

President Maxwell read the names of those serving on the various committees. She asked each committee to meet briefly and choose a chair. There as a question on the role of the Committee on Committees. It was noted that the Committee on Committees recommends faculty members to serve on various university committees when faculty representation is requested.

Teresa Dalle, Secretary

Attachments

1. Patrick Perry, Memorandum, dated September 6, 2005, subject: Peer Mentor Program
2. Commencement Models (4)
 1. Single Large University Ceremony
 2. One University Commencement Divided into Two or More Ceremonies
 3. Large University Commencement with Smaller Individual College Activities
 4. College Level Ceremonies Only
3. TBR Faculty Sub-Council Representative's Minutes, July 15, 2005