Minutes of the Faculty Senate

Presiding: Thomas E. Banning (Engr Tech)  
Date: 4-17-18

Secretary: R. Jeffrey Thieme

Senators Present: Mohd Hasan Ali (Elec & Comp Engr), Thomas E. Banning (Engr Tech), Reza Banai (Sch Urb Aff & Pub Pol), Brennan K. Berg (KWS), Eugene H. Buder (Comm. Sci. Disorders), Gerald Chaudron (Univ Libraries), Coriana L. Close (Art), Lorinda B. Cohoon (English), Charles W. Crawford (History), Jill A. Dapremont (Nursing), Michael R. Duke (Anthropology), David M. Gray (Philosophy), Robert A. Hetherington (Theatre & Dance), Donna R. Jones (Law), David M. Kemme (Economics), Henry A. Kurtz (Chemistry), Erno Lindner (Biomed Engr), Jeffrey G. Marchetta (Mech Engr), Gray Matthews (Communication), Meghan E. McDevitt-Murphy (Psychology), Peter L. McMickle (Accountancy), Sanjay Mishra (Physics), John T. Mueller (Music), DeAnna N. Owens-Mosby (Instr & Curr Ldrship), Esra Ozdenerol (Earth Sci), George E. Relyea (Public Health), Sandra Richardson (Bus Info Tech), Michael Sances (Political Science), Stephen D. Schwartzbach (Biology), Mark Sunderman (Fin, Ins, & Real Estate), R. Jeffery Thieme (Mktng & Suply Chain Mang), William P. Travis (Health Studies), Francisco Vivar (Foreign Lang & Lit), Máté Wierdl (Mathematical Sciences), Jin Yang (Journalism)

Senator Present by Proxy: Frances Fabian (Management), Martha Robinson, Leigh Falls Holman (Couns, Ed, Psy & Res) Stephen A Zanskas, Tiffany G. Johnson (Univ College) Ron Serino, Joseph C. Ventimiglia (Sociology) Graves E. Enck

Senators Absent: Mary K. Boudreaux (Leadership), Michael K. Chisamore (Architecture), James C. McCutcheon (Crim & Criminal Justice), Sajjan G. Shiva (Computer Science), Laura C. Taylor (Social Work), Brian A. Waldron (Civil Engr), Military Sciences (vacant)

Faculty Senate Information Officer: Jeffrey S. Berman (Psychology)

Guests: Absent University President M. David Rudd (President), Absent Provost Karen Weddle-West (Provost), Lawrence Pivnick (UMAR liaison), Martha Robinson (Lambuth liaison), Absent (Board of Trustees Faculty Representative), and Gloria Fulton Carr (Faculty Ombudsperson)

The four-hundred-and-fifth third meeting of the University of Memphis Faculty Senate was held Tuesday, April 17, 2018, in Senate Chamber of the University Center, room 261.

4.17.18.01 Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 2:40 p.m. with a quorum present.
4.17.18.02 Approval of Agenda
The agenda was approved with modification to reflect the correct minutes date, March 27, 2018.

4.17.18.03 Approval of Minutes
The minutes for March 27, 2018 were approved as written.

4.17.18.04 Revision to Faculty Trustee Selection With Motions
President Banning reported that after hearing the issues and concerns raised by the full Senate during the March 27, 2018 meeting, the Executive Committee (EC) is offering a revised document on the selection process for the UofM Board of Trustees (BOT) Faculty Representative to be presented, discussed, and voted on today. President Banning yielded the floor to Senator Jones, member of the EC, to begin the process. The revised document and its recommendations were distributed prior to the meeting. See attached for language on motions 1 – 11.

On behalf of the EC, Senator Jones presented Motion 1.
Motion 1 on options adopted by voice vote unanimously on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones explained the process by which the Senate would vote on motions with options and moved: “The Executive Committee moves that the Senate adopt a special procedure to address the motions which involve options. When there is an option, we will discuss both options first. We will then vote on the first option. If the first option passes, we will not vote on the second option. If the first option fails, we will vote on the second option. If the second option fails, there will be no change in that part of the procedures.”
Motion adopted by voice vote with 1 abstention on April 17, 2018.

After the full senate vote to approve the procedure to handle the options, Senator Jones continued on behalf of the EC as speaker to motions 2 thru 11.

Senator Jones presented motion 2 with options. After discussion of both options, Senator Buder moved to amend option 1 to add the word, “contract” before the word position.
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote on April 17, 2018.
Motion 2, Option 1 adopted by voice vote with 4 nays on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 3. Senator Cohoon moved to amend to remove the words “In addition” from the motion.
Motion 3 adopted by voice vote with 1 nay on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 4. Senator Matthews move to amend to replace a period with a colon.
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote on April 17, 2018.

President Banning announced, “The colon has passed.” Senator Cohoon moved to amend to read as: “The following is a list”, add “any relevant”, and delete “in the following”.
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote on April 17, 2018.

Senator Chaudron moved to amend to remove the word “may”
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote on April 17, 2018.

Motion 4 adopted by voice vote unanimously on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 5. Senator Kurtz moved to amend to remove the first line.
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote on April 17, 2018.

Senator Schwartzbach moved to amend by adding sentence the “A record of scholarly achievement” as the first bullet point.
Amendment to the main motion passed by hand vote with 23 for and 9 nays on April 17, 2018.

Senator Ozdenerol moved to amend by adding, “an understanding of multicultural, ethnic, gender, diversity, and equity issues.” After “Understanding of wider university …”
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote with 1 abstention on April 17, 2018.

Motion 5 adopted by voice vote unanimously on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 6. Senator Buder moved to amend to change “expected” to “invited”.
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote on April 17, 2018.

Motion 6 adopted by voice vote unanimously on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 7.
Motion 7 adopted by voice vote unanimously on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 8 with options. After discussion of the options, Senator Cohoon moved to amend option 1 by adding a comma after the word “forum”.
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote on April 17, 2018.

Motion 8, option 1 adopted by voice vote with 7 nays on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 9 with options.
Motion 9, option 1 rejected by unanimous voice vote on April 17, 2018.

Senator Buder moved to amend option 2 to change the word “can” to “cannot”.
Amendment to the main motion passed by voice vote on April 17, 2018.
Motion 9, option 2 adopted by voice vote unanimously on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 10 with options.
Motion 10, option 1 rejected by voice vote on April 17, 2018.
Motion 10, option 2 adopted by voice vote with 1 nay on April 17, 2018.

Senator Jones presented motion 11.
Motion 11 adopted by voice vote unanimously on April 17, 2018.

Note: The marked-up version (with amendments) as well as the final, adopted version of the document on the selection process for the UofM Board of Trustees (BOT) Faculty Representative are attached.

4.17.18.5 Adjourn
The meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

NOTE: Materials that support the items (Faculty Handbook Report and New Policy and Procedure Software) on the agenda that was not covered during the meeting are attached.