Minutes of the Friday, September 8, 2017 Meeting of the East Georgia State College Faculty Senate

The EGSC Faculty Senate (FS) met in Swainsboro and the Polycom in the conference room of the Statesboro facility. FS President called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

In attendance were FS President Lena White, senators Da’Mon Andrews, Drs. Reid Deer, Armond Boudreaux, Ren Denton, and Walt Mason.

Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Deborah Vess attended as invited guest.

It was moved, seconded, and approved (MSA) to adopt the August 2017 minutes, as written.

Committee Report:

Evaluation Rubrics

1. It was MSA for DaMon Andrews to Chair the Ad Hoc committee for the Survey Monkey committee that will gather information about faculty’s thoughts on the current faculty evaluation process.

2. We are moving forward on student evaluation revisions with Da’Mon Andrews, Lynn Hoke, and Drs. Sandra Sharman, Dana Nevil, Jeff Howell, Tori Kearns, Ren Denton. Dr. Vess wants to be included in the communications and David Gribbon wants to be on the committee.

Unfinished Business:

Advising Plan Revisions

1. Advising Plan was discussed. Dual Enrollment Advising was discussed. Advising Champion description was described. Advisees will be assigned by the deans.

   Changes were agreed upon.

   The Advising Plan draft with the editorial modification discussed was MSA.

New Business:

1. Updating Faculty (Senate) Bylaws

   Update Promotion and Tenure Review Committee so that it is not a committee of the Senate. The language needs to be updated, but the FS should still review the P&T policies. A subcommittee may need to be called. We may need to add a Review Board for those denied T/P. Update Statutes to reflect changes.

   A new committee to update and revise the FS bylaws was proposed and MSA. Dr. Reid is chairing the committee.
2. Overriding students to a full class without instructor’s permission. This current policy is being violated consistently. Dr. Vess has addressed this. She wants concrete information about when this policy is violated so that she can address it specifically when it happens.

3. The illegitimate extension of adding students to courses after the first week and without faculty permission is also being addressed.

4. Cap Issues were discussed. The problem is being investigated.

5. Dr. Vess has a goal to allow a procedure where faculty can drop and fail students for non-attendance before the end of the semester.

6. Co-Req issues were discussed. Redesigns may be necessary.

7. We may need actual training on Suicide Prevention.

Next meeting will be Friday, October 13th in Statesboro at 12 p.m. It was MSA to adjourn at 11:00 a.m.