Minutes
Wednesday, January 14, 2015
9:00 AM, Billingsly Boardroom


Member(s) Absent / Excused: Elisa Bryant, Pam Hosp, and Alicia Hughes.

Determination of Quorum: Thirteen of Sixteen active members present at the beginning of the meeting, quorum established.

Call to Order: R. Frossard called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Approval of Minutes: M. Epperson made a motion to approve the minutes; H. Arnold seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Administrative/Special Guest Comments:

Committee Reports: *R. Frossard called for Staff Senate committee reports:*

1 Communications Committee – did not meet.

2 Compensations Committee – K. Burr discussed that the committee will meet the first Monday of every month. No chair has been determined yet due to not all members being able to attend the first meeting.

3 Elections Committee – did not meet.

4 Executive Committee – did not meet.

5 Legislative Oversight Committee – did not meet.

6 Staff Welfare Committee – P. Holder presented the Tuition Discount/Fee Waiver policy changes.
Discussion about the first sentence under Restrictions is confusing and needs to be reworded.

Discussion based on IRS guidelines leaving the term unmarried dependent and the age of 24 in the proposal instead of changing this to children and increasing the age to 26.

Discussion about including what the term “spouse” means.

Why does the form have to be turned in every semester instead of just once an academic year?

K. Burr made a motion to table the Tuition Discount/Fee Waiver policy changes until the committee can meet and work on changes to the policy. K. Noll seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

R. Frossard called for campus committee reports:

1. **Administrative Council** – no representative present.

2. **Diversity Committee** – H. Arnold discussed that the MLK breakfast is scheduled for Monday, January 19, 2015. MLK Committee is still needing volunteers to help usher for the breakfast. The Committee wants to encourage everyone to try to volunteer on MLK day and give back.

3. **Faculty Senate** – Wendy McGrane reported that Faculty Senate has not met. However, the VPAA search is currently underway. Faculty Senate is starting to think about HLC accreditation that is coming up in 2018. Faculty Senate is also reviewing the Faculty Handbook to make changes to policies within the handbook. Faculty Welfare is working to possibly revamp the PAR (position and request) form as well as domestic partner benefits.

4. **Financial Stability Committee** – no representative present.

5. **Student Senate** – did not meet.

**Old Business:**

1. Tobacco Task Force – H. Arnold discussed that the Tobacco Task Force Committee could use one more faculty member and one more staff member. Anyone interested should contact Heather Arnold or Richard Laird.

2. Great Game Of Education (GGOE) – T. Nickle and N. Brown discussed the training they went to in Greene County for the GGOE. They learned that even small changes in a department can lead to and affect large changes as a whole. Don't focus on the negative people that are not supportive of the GGOE, focus on the positive of the GGOE and it will be contagious to others.
New Business:

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Anonymous Comments – none.

Comments and Announcements/Guest Input –

Adjournment: C. Owens made a motion to adjourn. T. Nickle seconded the motion. The motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 in Billingsly Board Room

Respectfully submitted by: Patty Holder