**West Virginia State University**

**General Faculty Meeting**

**Tuesday, August 13, 2024**

**Order 10:45 – reminder to sign in (for minutes)**

*[I could not find the sign-in sheet for attendance; if you attended, please email Barbara Ladner at* [*ladnerbe@wvstateu.edu*](mailto:ladnerbe@wvstateu.edu)*.]*

**Agenda**

1. Approve Agenda Alicia Lewis moved approval; Terry Reed seconded. Passed.
2. Approve Minutes of May 2024 Meeting changes can be emailed by the end of this week Jessica Barnes-Pietruszynski (BP) moved approval, Raphael Mutepa seconded. Passed.
3. Announcements
   1. Welcome Back Week - Deans built time in for us to do what we need to do. Announcements  
      Please attend initial meetings – Don’t nominate yourself unless you are going to participate, and be sure committees select chair. LeighAnn will send out things again (meeting schedule, syllabus language, which was approved by Academic Affairs, among others)
      1. College Meetings – Tuesday at 1:00pm
      2. Department Meetings – Tuesday at 2:30pm
      3. Faculty Senate Standing Committees – Wednesday at 9am & 9:30am
      4. Campus Carry – Wednesday at 10:15am
      5. Professional Development - Title IX Training– Wednesday at 1:00pm
      6. Professional Development – Human Resources – Wednesday at 2:15pm
      7. New Faculty Orientation – Wednesday at 4pm
      8. Academic Offices Refresh/Office Hours – Thursday from 830am-5pm
      9. New Semester Preparation Day/Advising – Friday from 830am-5pm (Ladner noted that faculty should prepare before Friday before the start of the semester, so LeighAnn said name for this time may be different in future)
4. Discussion of adding a representative from the Graduate Studies Council to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. The graduate programs are growing. Addition to Exec Cte approve at May Senate meeting. It must be voted on by full faculty. Tim Ruhkne moved, Ali Al-Sinayyid seconded) The proposal passed by voice vote (one abstention). Tim Ruhkne moved and Lena Lambert seconded that the executive committee appoint a member.
5. Early Enrollment Brandy Conrad reported that WVSU has completed some of HEPC’s Level-Up/Grow Your Own initiatives. Any course on “course crosswalk” (course sequences for approved majors) will be reimbursed at normal tuition. Last year18,053 credit hours in dual credit in Kanawha and Cabell counties were approved. Jackson and Putnam counties should be approved next year. If you would like to be a part of EE (Early Enrollment), please contact Brandy. There have been Series 19 changes. Level Up (EE) is still a pilot program. Things are still changing, and Brandy may need to ask us for things. Stuff will be coming up on Level Up and OER. We have interest from some counties where we have never been involved. Eight programs have been approved with Level Up and we have Social Work and Social Science courses that no one else has. We are allowed to have up to 12 pathways, so send Brandy ideas. Early Enrollment is looking to have orientation and campus visits with EE students.
6. Faculty Scholarships – Notices from the chair of the Faculty Scholarship Committee to nominate students didn’t go out last year (because there was no chair). Anne McConnell (former chairs0 will be helping with the transition, though she is not on committee. We could roll money over; Anne will get list of who is eligible and send that to deans to get/discuss nominations from/with faculty. There was no opposition to this plan.
7. BOG Report – Jeff Pietruszynski had nothing to report. He wanted to make sure that new faculty members know who he is. He wants to hear from us. Meetings won’t start till beginning September. There was a BOG retreat, but there was nothing to report from that. Jessica BP moved approval, and Terry Reed seconded. Passed.
8. ACF Report – Barbara Ladner gave an introduction of the WV Advisory Council of Faculty with nothing else to report. Terry Reed moved approval, Derrick Taylor seconded. Passed.
9. Elections – Tom Kiddie held at-large elections; college elections will take place in college meetings.

Nominations for Exec on ballot.

Academic appeals (2) – nominees – Matt Carroll, Alicia Lewis, Azam Bejou, Anne McConnell

Cultural activities (6) – this many needed because of resignations and retirements) – nominees – James Metzer, Sue Woodward, Jessica BP, Ginta Palabinskas, Michael Young, Carol Taylor-Johnson, Ali Ziyati

Faculty Grievance – formed in case President needs it – everybody votes for everybody

Full (3) – nominees – Freu Hailou, Raphael Mutepa, Ginta Palabinskas

Associate (3) – nominees – Sridhar Malkaram, Mark Wilson, Mike Lewis, Upali Karathulanki, Lan Wan

Assistant (3) – nominees – Jessica Hensley, Clinton Arnold, Matt Carroll, Derrick Taylor  
Instructor (3) – nominees – Karen Anderson, Christy Walker, Vasilios Daniellos

Faculty personnel (2) – Lan Wang, Azam Bejou, Mickael Harris, Clinton Arnold, Josh Martin

General Edducation (2) – Jamie Brunetti, Alonda Wylie, Sridhar Malkaram

Promotion & Tenure (1) – Raphael Mutepa, Carol Taylor-Johnson, Sanjaya, Azam Bejou

Research & Faculty Development (2) – Terry Reed, Sanjaya, Jessica Hensley, Upali

Honors (2) – Barbara Ladner, Derrick Taylor

1. We will be returning to ongoing Ad-Hoc Committee Work
   1. Academic Integrity Policy
   2. Indirect Policy
   3. Term Faculty
   4. Faculty Evaluations
   5. Use of course fee monies
2. Facility Services – Updates are being made; Deferred Maintenance Website Link <https://sites.google.com/wvstateu.edu/wvsudeferredmaintenance/home>
3. Concerns and Issues

Thanks to Paige Carney for her service as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and congratulations to Debbie Williams for being appointed to those duties.

Executive Committee meeting will be Aug. 30.

Adjourned 11:43 Tim Ruhnke moved, Jessica BP seconded. Passed

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Ladner