

Faculty Senate 2003-2004
Full Assembly Minutes
March 4, 2004
Francis Harvey Green Library

Members present: N. Ahmad, T. Andrews, J. Azorlosa, N. Bean (P. Smith proxy), R. Bedford, D. Bill (J. Lacey proxy), E. DeHope, E. Garofalo, C. Grove, C. Haggard, Y. Hashimoto-Sinclair, T. James, S. Johnston, J. Kennedy, J. Kinslow (C. Haggard proxy), J. Lacey, E. Leach, A. Liu, M. Rimple, S. Marvin, T. Mastrilli, R. McVey, S. Melton, D. Milne, J. Onderdonk, R. Schini, P. Smith, C. Yang, P. Zimmer, & J. Smith student rep.

Introduction: President Adler

Update on SPAC (strategic planning and resource committee). This committee monitors the strategic plan and keeps it moving forward. They meet twice a semester and the liaison meets with the cabinet and with the state system planning group.

Resourcefulness: meeting PeopleSoft goals, the funding formula from the system had been revised, helping us generate resources

Student Success: the advising task force is making progress, the core curriculum portfolio pilot project is underway, ready to be expanded

Diversity: we are working on a definition, what do we mean? Is diversity broadly or narrowly defined?

Human Capital: much going on in this area, especially the heightened discussion of the Teacher/Scholar Model, providing development for staff, ex. Leadership Workshops

Responsiveness: we continue to build post-baccalaureate certificate programs and lifelong learning activities, cultural arts programming and reaching out to the community

Budget/Governmental Relations: The governor added a 3.1% in funding. There is optimism that more money is on the table. Tuition will not be acted on until the budget is passed, probably in July.

The 5 year relocation plan is a draft. Decisions to date: EO Bull is the top capital request - 11 or 12 million \$ project. Swope will be renamed and renovated. (the Swope name goes with the music building) April 13 is the groundbreaking for the School of Music and Performing Arts building. Outside consultants will now look at the draft and add input. The plan is not set in stone, guidelines are in place, goals are set. The plan should be completed by fall 2004.

Women's Summit 3/11

Hadassah Liberman 3/18

Faculty are urged to attend commencement. The speaker, Dana Joya, is Co-Founder of the WCU Poetry Conference

Introduction: Dr. Linda Myrsiades, local ASPCUF president

WE need to think about what happens next? What happens if the contract is not approved? How can management and APSCUF get together and work on morale? APSCUF representative from each of the 14 campuses met with a governor's

representative to discuss issues, such as the 03 promotions, 20 years of service etc. on 3/3. Dr. Myrsiades discussed that we did not win the support of students/parents and the public why? We did win in the areas of class size with the governor's Commission on class Size and controlling the number of temps and the Health cost containment committee. The language of the contract is nearly done. The vote may take place by the end of March. Faculty considering retirement should look at dates, end of June not July. Nine hundred faculty, system-wide are eligible for retirement. Six hundred could retire – average age 62. Think what that would mean for the system.

Dr. Adler and Myrsiades shared their views on the political climate in Harrisburg with the senate.