

Faculty Senate  
Meeting Minutes  
April 12, 2010

- I. Guest Speaker: Dr. Sharples
  - a. Engineering technology program: The meeting with the state board to seek approval for the program is 5/18/10. The program is expected to have 300-400 students from the beginning, and therefore will be financially self-supporting from day one.
- II. Wellness Benefit Proposal
  - a. P.J. Marek and Barbara Murray appeared on behalf of the Health and Fitness Committee to propose a new wellness benefit. Currently each employee pays \$5.00/month for the wellness center on the Daytona campus. It is very difficult for employees at other campuses to take advantage of the wellness center. The committee proposes applying the \$5.00/month to a membership at the YMCA. The remainder of the membership cost would be covered by the employee. The Y will provide follow up and monitoring of fitness progress. A motion was made and passed that the proposal move on to the appropriate Planning Council committee.
- III. Treasurer Report
  - a. Currently the Faculty Senate account has \$201.24.
- IV. Committee reports
  - a. Social Committee: Kathleen Lazarus reported that 107 employees attended the Cubs game on 4/9. Rand Spiwak threw out the first pitch. It was proposed that the Spiwaks' tickets be paid for by Faculty Senate; a motion was made and passed. The college owes Faculty Senate \$360 for the deposit for the Cubs game; the \$32 cost of the tickets will be subtracted from that. Also, the committee requested \$50 from the budget for refreshments for the Arabian Nights on 4/18; the request was approved.
  - b. Community Service Committee: no report.
  - c. Salary and Benefits Committee: Shawn Friend reported that the committee is putting together a benefits questionnaire. They are also working on getting all benefits forms together in one spot on the portal (they are currently spread out over several locations). Concerns that were raised in today's meeting are faculty load in summer; Friday

office hours; the difficulty of getting a change in status (name, address, etc.) changed in the college's records; overload compensation; and add-drop cutoff. Consensus was that rules regarding these issues should be in writing, consistent throughout the college, and easily accessible.

- d. Nominations and Awards Committee: The committee is requesting nominations for Faculty Senate Awards to be presented at the beginning of fall semester. Request for nominations is being made by email.
  - e. Teaching and Learning Committee: Pat Burkhart reported that the committee is preparing a presentation on the book Brain Rules for fall planning.
  - f. Technology Committee: is working on redoing the bunkers and making them all uniform.
- V. New Business
- a. The college-wide Operations, Effectiveness and Accountability Committee is looking for volunteers. The committee works on achieving college excellence, through quality improvement teams and brainstorming ideas.
  - b. Election results: The Faculty Senate President for 2010-2011 is Rich Grego, and Vice President/President-Elect is Shawn Friend.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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