

FACULTY SENATE

September 17, 2008

MINUTES

Present: Tim Collins, Barbara Evans (via phone), Seema Imam, Renee Judd (via phone), Rebecca Lake, Phillip Moulden (via phone), Jim Nowotarski, Brian Reynolds, David San Filippo, Kathy Sheridan, Gale Stam, Howard Zacks

Excused: Patrick Roberts

Guests: Kent Kay, George Litman, Marty Mickey (via phone)

Approval of Minutes –

Rebecca Lake moved that the minutes of the August 2008 meeting be approved. Seema Imam seconded the motion. Motion passed.

President's Report –

No President's report was given.

Provost's Report –

George Litman reported that letters were sent to faculty members regarding the two amendments to the Faculty Association constitution. The amendments were not voted on at the Faculty Association meeting because of the lack of a quorum and, therefore, faculty will vote via ballot.

It is time to begin thinking about FY'10 initiatives. Forward any ideas you may have to Dr. Litman.

Applications for sabbaticals and promotions have been received.

The Teachout Task Force continues to meet. It is making sure that students, faculty, adjunct faculty, and vendors are being taken care of.

Searches are underway for a VP of Institutional Research, Provost, and VP of Institutional Advancement.

Dr. Litman thanked the Senate for its support to expand the membership of SATC to include members from each of the university's shareholder groups.

Response is low to the University Leadership Council's survey. Dr. Litman will send a reminder and specify that this survey is different from the one sent out by NCE.

There have been eleven faculty development proposals received so far. These will be forwarded to the Senate Faculty Development Committee for review before being sent back to the Senate.

Financial Report –

Kent Kay reported that \$10.5 million in academic revenue has been received as of the end of August.

In July and August, the university spent \$200,000 more than it brought in.

On-campus enrollment is down compared to last year at the same time. Enrollment is expected to be up with the field classes.

CMB is doing what they had expected and has surpassed its September expectations.

Gale Stam suggested that perhaps NLU should start recruiting in high schools and not just the community colleges. With the economy the way it is, students may be attending colleges/universities closer to home.

Old Business –

Dr. Stam moved that the minutes of the Faculty Association meeting be accepted. Brian Reynolds seconded the motion. Motion passed. Dr. Lake will send the minutes to the entire faculty.

New Business –

Bill Roberts has requested faculty representatives to review duplication, printing, and mail room service needs for a new RFP. Howard Zacks will ask Mr. Roberts to contact the Academic Support Committee and ask them for names.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Osen

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