

Minutes
Faculty Advisory Council
HAL Hall of Honor

Date: January 21, 2004

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Members

Present: Ms. Betty Chancellor, Library

Dr. Judy Dye, Education
Dr. Catherine Strickland, Education
Dr. Jeanne Wright, Education

Ms. Harriett Pullen, Arts & Sciences
Dr. Steven Taylor, Arts & Sciences
Dr. James Elithorp, Arts & Sciences
Dr. James Day, Arts & Sciences
Dr. Victor Ortloff, Arts & Sciences

Mr. John Patton, Communication & Fine Arts
Dr. Catherine Allard, Communication & Fine Arts
Dr. David Dye, Communication & Fine Arts

Dr. Suzanne Stokes, Health & Human Services
Ms. Jean Pate, Health & Human Services
Dr. Edith Smith, Health & Human Services

Dr. Jim Hoyt, Business
Dr. Ed Pappanastos, Business

Dr. Iris Saltiel, Phenix City
Dr. Ben Mason, University College

Absent with

Notice: Dr. Jerome Bibbins, Business

Other

Attendees: Dr. Ed Roach, Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs
Ms. Whitney Wood, Higher Education Partnership

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Dr. Suzanne Stokes.

1. Roll was called by the secretary, Jo Williamson.
2. Approval of Minutes from October 23, 2003
There being no amendments to the October 23, 2003 minutes, the minutes were approved as recorded.
3. Guest Comments

a. One Great University Update: Dr. Ed Roach

Dr. Roach reported that the three separate accredited campuses, TSUD, TSUM, and TSU including Phenix City and University College, are moving towards becoming one accredited university by August 1, 2005. Of the 49 issues that are ongoing for the vision of the university, 18 issues fall within his purview. Issues include the *Faculty Handbook*, a common curriculum, and the catalogs/bulletins.

The *Faculty Handbook* draft has gone through the committee process and has been submitted to the Academic Coordinating Council. Curriculum issues, including the General Studies curriculum, are in active review and revision. Curricula for the Colleges of Business, Arts & Sciences, and Education are making progress toward the established completion date.

In our three separate universities there are three colleges of business separately accredited by the same accrediting association. It was noted that AACSB accreditation for TSU-Troy is on hold at this point, and that TSU is the only major university in Alabama not accredited by AACSB. Dr. Roach indicated that the number of adjunct faculty might pose a problem for AACSB accreditation when all campus sites are considered.

TSUD had their NCATE visit last October and Dr. Jacobs' faculty is preparing for NCATE's visit to the Troy campus in the spring.

Dr. Roach presented Dr. Catherine Allard with a clock in honor of her service to the Faculty Advisory Council and announced that she will be serving this year as a Chancellor's Fellow.

b. Higher Education Partnership: Ms. Whitney Wood

Ms. Wood, Membership Development Director of the Higher Education Partnership, presented a summary of the current financial situation facing Alabama's universities in light of the failure of Amendment One. In addition to encouraging faculty membership in the Higher Education Partnership, Ms. Wood announced that Higher Education Day will be February 26 at 11:00 a.m. at the Alabama State House.

4. Unfinished Business

a. Faculty Council Constitution

Dr. Stokes reported that all Troy State faculty were advised of the revised document posted on the Faculty Advisory Council web site and were asked to convey their input to Faculty Advisory Council representatives. She noted that at this point the Council has two options. If there were no suggestions and if a motion were made to accept the document as written then the Council would move in that direction. The other option is if there are suggestions, now is the time to bring those forward.

Dr. Allard noted that what we have in this proposed constitution is actually a proposed series of amendments to an already adopted constitution. Dr. Allard made a motion that each substantive change be approached as a series of amendments. The motion was seconded; motion passed.

Dr. Allard made a motion to expand the wording in the final sentence of Article 1: following the wording "...full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty of Troy State University" insert "Troy, Phenix City Campus, and University College." Motion was seconded; motion carried.

Dr. Allard made a motion to strike the phrase "and approved by the Chancellor" from Article II, Section 1. Governance. Motion was seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Allard made a motion that the phrase "or until the council is reconstituted as a system council" be omitted from Article III, Membership, Section 1.B. Motion was seconded; motion carried.

Dr. Allard moved that Article III, Membership, Section 2.B. be returned to the original wording to read as follows: "Council members shall not serve longer than two consecutive three-year terms, however, they may again serve after a hiatus of at least one year." Motion was seconded; motion carried.

Dr. David Dye made a motion that the title of the document be changed to read "Proposed Constitution for Troy State University-Troy, Phenix City, and University College. Motion did not carry.

Dr. Stokes made a motion that the approved amended Faculty Council Constitution be accepted. Motion was seconded; motion carried unanimously.

The amended proposed Faculty Council Constitution will be sent to the Chancellor to be presented to the Board.

5. New Business
 - a. Officers for 2004-2005 Academic Year
Dr. Stokes asked for three volunteers to serve on a nominating committee. Dr. David Dye, Dr. Katie Strickland, and Dr. Judy Dye agreed to serve on the committee.
6. Reports
 - a. Academic Affairs Committee: Dr. Catherine Allard
The Committee on Committees survey was sent out and input returned. The committee will meet to compile data.
 - b. Faculty Welfare Committee: Dr. Steven Taylor
The committee had no report.
 - c. ACUFP Fall meeting: Dr. Susie Stokes
The fall meeting of the Alabama Council of University Faculty Presidents (ACUFP) was November 14-15, 2003, at the University of North Alabama (UNA) in Florence. The role of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) and Board of Trustee issues at the University of West Alabama and Alabama State University were the primary topics of discussion. The next meeting of ACUFP will be February 26-27 at the UNA regional office in Montgomery; the meeting will be in conjunction with Higher Education Day.
 - d. Other reports
Chancellor's Fellows have been announced for 2004: Fellows from Troy and University College are Mr. Buddy Starling, Dr. Catherine Allard, and Dr. Judy McCarley.
7. Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.