

## Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2016

### **Members Present**

Johndavid Kerr  
William Kerns  
Statha Kline-Cherry  
Kenneth Noe  
Jana Marcette (had a prior commitment and had to leave before the meeting was called to order)

### **Visitors**

Wendell Brooks  
Aldolphus Hardy  
Betty Walls

### ***I. Call to Order***

The Faculty Senate meeting was called to order at 12:45pm

### ***II. Approval of prior minutes***

Minutes from the May meeting are forthcoming

### ***III. Availability of Student Evaluations on HSSU***

There is a very low percentage of students who are completing the faculty evaluations on MyHSSU. Perhaps James Fogt will meet with the Senate to discuss ways to make students more aware of the significance of these evaluations. More reminders sent to prompt students to complete the surveys, longer window for completion etc.

### ***IV. Faculty Development and Research Committee***

During the Fall Institute, Dr. Eisel posed the question regarding Online Instruction, maintaining that it must be congruent with technological resources. Do new hires have a willingness to teach online classes? Are funds available for faculty seeking professional development opportunities in this area.

### ***V. Status of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA)***

As of the August 19, 2016 Faculty Senate meeting the new CBA had not been approved.

### ***VI. Review of Board Policy and Senate By-Laws – Updating Our Website***

### ***VIII. CAEP Accreditation for the COE***

The COE is in an accreditation year. Dr. Kline-Cherry wanted the Senate to inform their colleges and departments that they may be asked to be interviewed as part of the site-visit process in April 2017. Calling on support from all members of the academic community as we work through this process. While the COE is the unit being accredited, the content preparation of our preservice teachers comes primarily from Arts & Science. The success on the Accreditation review for the COE equals success for the University as we build and rebrand this institution.

### ***IX. Any Matters Arising – 2016-2017 Senate Plan***

Funding for the requested improvements to the library research databases has been approved (\$12000). Faculty salaries and the possible increase in the cost of healthcare continue to be a concern.

### ***VIII. Adjournment***

It was moved (Kerns) and seconded (Noe) that the Faculty Senate meeting be adjourned at 2:45pm.