**Faculty Senate/Association Meeting Minutes**

Nicholls State University

September 3, 2014

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| **Roll Call** | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Arts and Sciences |  | Business Administration |  | Nursing and Allied Health |
| X | Richmond Eustis-Corresponding Secretary | X | Luke Cashen | A | Angele Davis |
| X | Michael Jeffress | X | John Lajaunie – Committee on Committees | X | Amanda Eymard |
| X | Stephen Michot | X | William Neese | X | Donna Fitzgerald-DeJean |
| X | Gaither Pope | X | Randy Ryker | X | Brigett Scott – President |
| X | Balaji Ramachandran |  | Education |  | University College |
| X | David Schultz | X | Angelle Hebert | X | Ray Giguette |
| X | Andy Simoncelli | A | Dale Norris | A | Milton Saidu – Parliamentarian |
| X | David Whitney | X | Kimberly Reynolds – Vice President | X | Amy Hebert |
| X | Shana Walton | A | Gary Rosenthal |  | Ellender Library |
| X | Ianna West |  |  | X | Hayley Johnson - Recording Secretary |
| X | Matthew Gamel |  |  | X | Sarah Simms |
|  | |  | |  | A = absent x = present |

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| AGENDA ITEM | DISCUSSION | RECOMMENDATION/ACTION |

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| 1. Call to Order/Roll Call | Meeting called to order at 3:02 PM. | Roll taken. Quorum present. (Sign in sheet attached) |
| 1. Approval of meeting minutes:    1. August 2014 minutes | Discussion regarding minutes approval. | John Lajaunie motioned that we accept the August 2014 minutes as presented. Richmond Eustis seconded. Unanimous vote to approve. |
| 1. Administration Remarks |  |  |
| * 1. Bruce Murphy - President | * Dr. Murphy discussed the recent searches that have taken place. Ronnie Rodriguez was hired as the Chief Financial Officer. Alex Arceneaux was hired as the Chief of Staff. There are two candidates who are currently being interviewed for the Vice President of University Advancement position. A committee for the Provost search will soon be assembled. * He also answered various questions posed by Faculty Senators. |  |
| 4. Officer Reports |  |  |
| a. President – Brigett Scott | * Brigett attended both the University Council and President’s Cabinet meetings. The topic was adjunct pay. |  |
| * 1. Stephen Michot | * Attended board meeting in Baton Rouge for the Academic and Student Affairs committee. |  |
| 5. Committee Reports |  |  |
|  | None. |  |
| 6. Old Business |  |  |
| a. GEAC proposal-Keri Turner and Renee Hicks | Asked for the Senate to approve the five criteria items GEAC will use to evaluate courses. Discussion ensued. Dr. Turner assured the Senate that once GEAC has approved a parent course, the specific content of individual sections of that course will be determined by departments alone. | Ray Giguette motioned to approve the five criteria used to evaluate all courses as submitted by GEAC. Ianna West seconded the motion. Vote Tally: 17-Yes, 4-No, and 2 Abstain. Motion was approved. |
| b. Faculty Compensation/Nov. 13, 2013 Resolution-Michael Jeffress | Michael Jeffress discussed the response to the 2013 resolution. Discussion ensued. | John Lajaunie motioned to table the matter. Donna Fitzgerald-DeJean seconded the motion. Unanimous vote to approve. |
| 7. New Business |  |  |
| a. Course evaluations (eSIRS)-Renee Hicks | Renee Hicks discussed using eSIRS as the evaluation method for online courses. eSIRS allows students to evaluate faculty based on online criteria. | The topic will be included on the Senate’s next agenda. |
| b. QEP results-Ross Jahnke | Ross Jahnke spoke to the Faculty Senate concerning the results from the Faculty Institute QEP breakout session. QEP committee has identified four prominent topics and will work with the data over the semester to develop the QEP topic. Ross will continue to update the Faculty Senate throughout the process. |  |
| 8. Other Business |  |  |
|  | None. |  |

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 PM (Amanda Eymard –motioned to adjourn; John Lajaunie seconded the motion; unanimous vote to adjourn)