



**Minutes of Faculty Senate Meeting  
Friday, May 7, 2010  
204 Goodwyn Hall**

**Convened at 9.00 a.m**

Present: Nobles, Kalu, McKenzie, Hall, Gehling, Gilchrist, Krawczynski, Aho, Ioimo, Peele, Gantt, Hamilton (substituted for by Allison Terry), Bilotta, Mills, Johnson, Bilotta, Veres, Salter, Kramer, Sescioreanu.

**I. Senate Business:**

- A. Approval of minutes of Senate meeting of April 9, 2010. Hall moved motion for approval; Gehling seconded. Minutes unanimously approved.
- B. New officers for the Senate/and new unit representatives introduced.
- C. The next scheduled Senate meeting is Friday, June 11, 2010, 9.00 am, in Goodwyn Hall 204.

**II. Administrative Reports: John Veres, Chancellor**

- A. City of Montgomery has agreed to put road signs in front of the AUM campus entrance to facilitate traffic exit toward Taylor or loop road I-85. This will help with public safety plus improve appearance of entrance to campus. When completed, there would be a slight net-loss of parking space; but we can expand the area around Nursing school to replace the loss or to create more parking spaces. Will start after BOT approves the Wellness Center following the June meeting.
- B. At the last capital projects meeting, the top vote getter is the new Science building; due essentially to several limitations and the need for enhanced laboratories. Accordingly, Goodwyn Hall will be renovated, but Sciences will be moved to the new building. This will also allow Liberal Arts, Business, and others to expand from their current space requirements. We are in the very early stages of the campaign; some early contributions are already coming in.
- C. MAFB will be taking part of Taylor Hall and the Commons Building for the Summer. This will provide additional revenue to the school
- D. BOT meeting is June 17-18, but actual dates will still need to be finalized.

**III. AU Board: Gehling**

- A. No report at the moment. Thanked the Senate for the opportunity to serve.

**IV. Nobles, President:**

1. Encouraged members to attend BOT meeting whenever possible.
2. Sent out a list of vacancies on Senate Committees. Urged members to consider volunteering to serve on the committees. Besides, it is a way of providing a useful and necessary service to the university.
3. Nobles replaces Bob Gehling as Chair of the Faculty Handbook Revision Committee. Encouraged members to review the Faculty Senate and the Faculty Council Constitutions.

**V. Committee Reports:**

- A. Academic Standards Committee (Report as presented):  
Gehling made motion to approve; Mills seconded. Motion unanimously approved.
- B. Faculty Grievance Committee (Report as presented):  
Aho made motion to accept; Krawczynski seconded. Report unanimously approved.
- C. Intercollegiate Athletics Committee: No report.
- D. Lecture's Committee (Report as presented):  
Gehling made motion to accept; Bilotta seconded.

Discussion:

Mehta: Indicated that committee disbursements ranged from \$175-\$2500; median disbursement was \$1000.

Nobles thanked the Committee for a job well done; Kramer also commended Committee's work.

Veres: Would entertain a request to use \$25,000 of the funds from sale of the Ida Belle Young property in Florida as an endowment to the Lectures Committee. Also encouraged the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee to offer some input regarding AUM's interest to go from NAIA to NCAA Division 2.

Aho: What happened to the Alabama Power 'community program'?

Veres: It is currently on hiatus. Alabama Power has a one-year moratorium on funding some types of community activities.

Report of the Lectures Committee unanimously approved.

- E. Planning, Promotion and Resource Allocation Committee (PPRA):  
No report.

F. Faculty Welfare Committee (Report as previously submitted): Motion on recommendation from the Committee regarding 'financial exigency' was unanimously approved.

VI. **Old Business:** None

VII. **New Business:**

1. Any question regarding online teaching certification procedures should be forwarded to Jeff Anderson
2. Gilchrist: Can faculty who conduct seminars or workshops get credit for that?
3. Anderson: No
4. Veres: The policy is important for us and for SAC purposes.

Motion to recommend "online certification program policy" was made by Gehling; Krawczynski seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

5. The following individuals were elected to the Rules committee: Krawczynski, Johnson, Aho.

**VII: Announcements**

- A. The Honors Day will be Friday, May 14, 2010, in the Taylor Center. This is an important occasion to honor some of our students.

Meeting adjourned 10.05 am.

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