

**ROBERT HOLLAND FACULTY SENATE
APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING ON MARCH 17, 2000**

The Robert Holland Faculty Senate of Mississippi State University held its regular meeting in Coskrey Auditorium of Memorial Hall at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 2000.

Members absent and excused were Sharon Black, Sylvia Byrd, Thomas Cathcart, Bob Daniels, Armando De la Cruz, Mike Goatley, Beverly Howell, Sue Minchew, and John Perry.

Members absent and unexcused were Thomas Carskadon, Regina Halpin, David Huddleston.

The meeting was broadcast real-time over the World Wide Web. The file will be left active for a few weeks and can be reviewed by clicking on the Senate homepage at http://www.msstate.edu/Org/FS/faculty_senate.html.

Chair Robert Cooper called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the February 11, 2000, Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

GUESTS

Chair Cooper introduced guests of the Senate: Dr. David Cole, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Dr. Kirk Arnett, Faculty Representative to the Athletic Council.

DAVID COLE, PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Dr. Cole had only one remark and that was to say that the budget projections are out and they do not look encouraging for the next three years.

KIRK ARNETT, FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ATHLETIC COUNCIL

Dr. Arnett distributed a letter to the Senators responding to questions raised at the February 11, 2000, Faculty Senate meeting. He followed up with a few comments and answered questions from the floor.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chair Cooper referred to the Robert Holland Faculty Senate Chair's Report as distributed.

He also commented on the University Faculty Senates Association (UFSA) Resolution presented to the IHL and Dr. Layzell on February 16, 2000. It was supported by all parties.

Chair Cooper also referred to the Proposed Amendment of Board Policies regarding Post-Tenure Review. The first reading of this policy occurred at last Wednesday's meeting of the IHL Board and the second reading is scheduled for next month which could be followed by

a vote.

Chair Cooper also referred to the University of Southern Mississippi's Tuition Waiver Requirement Resolution. Southern would like to see the UFSA take a position on this issue. Chair Cooper wishes the Senators to consider this issue and give him feedback at the next meeting.

Senator Robert Rogers moved, Senator Douglas Marshall seconded, that the rules be suspended and a vote be taken so that Chair Cooper will have some idea how the Senators feel about Southern's Tuition Waiver Requirement Resolution.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 25-11-0.

Senator Wolverton moved, Senator Robert Rogers seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate support the University of Southern Mississippi's Tuition Waiver Requirements Resolution.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 35-0-1.

REPORT OF THE VICE CHAIR

Vice Chair D'Abramo referred to his report as distributed.

He then mentioned specific comments pertaining to the accounting of faculty workload as it pertains to the teaching/research/service components and asked the Senators for their feedback so that he would be prepared to respond at the next Deans Council meeting. After receiving several comments, Vice Chair D'Abramo will draft a letter to Dr. Cole on behalf of the Faculty Senate and Chair Cooper will request that Dr. Cole respond to this matter at the next Faculty Senate meeting.

Vice Chair D'Abramo then commented on the Traffic Committee. Parking is going to get much worse before the end of the year. The University will be losing many more parking spaces due to construction. Also the Campus Planning Committee has \$1 million available for such things as painting, fencing, or sidewalk repair. Contact Gaddis Hunt if you are aware of "eye sores" that need to be corrected.

REPORT FROM FACULTY SENATE DESIGNATES ON UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Affirmative Action Committee -- Chair Cooper referred to the Committee's report as submitted by Senator LaDonne Delgado and distributed in packet.

BUSINESS TO BE SENT TO COMMITTEES

AOP 13.07 - Academic Promotion and Tenure -- Senator Travis moved, Senator Wolverton seconded, to refer this issue to committee. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote of the Senate. Chair Cooper assigned this issue to the Academic Affairs Committee.

AOP 11.11 - Auditing a Class -- Senator Wolverton moved, Senator Light seconded, to refer this issue to committee. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote of the Senate. Chair Cooper assigned this issue to the Faculty Affairs Committee.

AOP 12.01 - Academic Add/Drop Policy -- Senator Rogers moved, Senator Wolverton seconded, to refer this issue to committee. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote of the Senate. Chair Cooper assigned this issue to the Charter and Bylaws Committee.

AOP 12.12 - Credit, Grades, and Academic Standing -- Senator Marshall moved, Senator Bryant seconded, to refer this issue to committee. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote of the Senate. Chair Cooper assigned this issue to the Ancillary Affairs Committee.

Policy and Procedure Statement on Intellectual Property -- Senator Duncan moved, Senator Rogers seconded, to refer this issue to committee. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote of the Senate. Chair Cooper will assigned this issue to an ad hoc committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

No report.

ANCILLARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

No report.

CHARTER AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Senator David Shaw, Chair of the Charter and Bylaws Committee, referred to this Committee's report pertaining to AOP 12.01 - Academic Add/Drop Policy. Senator Shaw moved, Senator Nebeker seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate accept their committee's recommendations as distributed.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 33-0-1.

FACULTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Senator Rick Travis, Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, referred to this Committee's report pertaining to AOP 10.14 - Divisions, Colleges, Departments, Schools and Programs.

Senator Travis moved, Senator Oppenheimer seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate accept their committee's recommendations as distributed and not approve AOP 10.14.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 35-0-0.

Senator Rick Travis, Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, referred to this Committee's report pertaining to AOP 11.11 - Auditing a Class. Senator Travis moved, Senator Wolverton seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate accept their committee's recommendations as distributed.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 35-0-0.

STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Senator Seth Oppenheimer, Chair of the Student Affairs Committee, referred to this Committee's report pertaining to AOP 12.22 - Undergraduate Student Courseload. Senator Oppenheimer moved, Senator Wolverton seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate accept their committee's recommendations as distributed.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 35-0-0.

Senator Seth Oppenheimer, Chair of the Student Affairs Committee, referred to this Committee's report pertaining to AOP 12.29 - Freshman Entrance Requirements. Senator Oppenheimer moved, Senator Marshall seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate accept their committee's recommendations as distributed.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 33-0-1.

Senator Seth Oppenheimer, Chair of the Student Affairs Committee, referred to this Committee's report pertaining to OP 91.100 - Code of Student Conduct. Senator Oppenheimer moved, Senator Wolverton seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate accept their committee's report as distributed.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 33-0-0.

UNIVERSITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Senator Dan Embree, Chair of the University Resources Committee, referred to this Committee's report pertaining to a letter from Linda Couvillion, dated 7 September 1999, proposing a tuition waiver for spouses of deceased faculty members. Senator Embree moved, Senator Duncan seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate accept their committee's recommendations as distributed.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 33-1-0.

Senator Dan Embree, Chair of the University Resources Committee, referred to this Committee's report pertaining to AOP 12.04 - Final Examination Policy. Senator Embree moved, Senator Bullington seconded, that the Robert Holland Faculty Senate accept their committee's recommendations as distributed.

The motion passed on a Senate vote of 33-0-0.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Post-Tenure Review Committee -- Senator Dan Embree, Chair of the MSU Post-Tenure Review Committee, referred to this Committee's report as distributed.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Recognition of Retiring Senators - Chair Cooper recognized the retiring Senators by presenting them with a *Certificate of Appreciation* for their service.

Chair Cooper announced that all colleges should be electing replacement Senators who will attend their first meeting at the next Faculty Senate meeting in April. Also election of new Faculty Senate officers will take place at the April's meeting and he will accept nominations in writing for Chair until April 20, 2000.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Bullington moved, Senator Wolverton seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote of the Senate.

Submitted for correction and approval.

LaDonne Delgado, Secretary

