

Executive Summary University Senate Meeting 5/1/2017

Welcome

Dr. Tugmon called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Review and approval of the Minutes:

Minutes for the April 17, 2017 Senate meeting were approved as written. These minutes are published on the University Senate Web page.

Highlights from Report of Officers:

President- Dr. Brooks Keel

- **Alumni weekend just ended**
 - It was a great event with lots of activities
- **Budget**
 - Signed by Governor Deal
 - Included 2% Merit increase for faculty
 - It included \$4.5 million in planning money for to move the College of Science and Mathematics to the Health Science Campus
 - Work will begin to request funding to build the building
- **Cyber Center**
 - In January Governor Deal allocated \$50 million to build a Cyber Center at the AU Riverfront Campus
 - AU will manage and run the Cyber range
 - This is great for AU and for the Augusta Community
- **Provost recruited two Deans in two days.**
 - Dean for Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities and Social Science
 - Dean for Medical College of Georgia

Vice chair – Dr. Wendy Turner

- Shared next year's dates for University Senate and Executive Committee meetings.
 - The meeting day for the University Senate will be moved to the last Monday of the month and time changed to 4:30-6:15 PM
 - Location of the meetings are still being worked out
 - Dr. Turner will send the calendar out for all to look over.

Chair - Dr. Cathy Tugmon

- **Report from the Executive Committee meeting**
 - Much of what was covered will come up under new business
 - How to have more faculty input into any future resolutions was discussed. No determination was reached.
 - There will be a section added to the University Senate Web page listing Senate appointees to various committees including their terms.
- **Report from Provost Cabinet**

- INSTEP presentation about a proposed plan to put most of our active learning programs under one administrator
 - Members spearheading this proposal are Christina Heckman, Andy Hauger, Lorraine Evans, Deborah Richardson and Kim Gray
 - It will enhance marketing, promote better coordination and aid in greater student knowledge and accessibility to all the opportunities we have available for them
 - A few examples of what might be included are CURS, Learning by Doing, Study Abroad, and internships
- Great Colleges updated timeline to receive results earlier than expected
- USG Comprehensive Administrative Review
 - Dr. Keel is serving on the committee conducting the review
 - More information can be found at:
 - <http://www.usg.edu/adminreview/>
- **End of the Year Report**
 - PowerPoint will be posted on University Senate Web page

Highlights from Invited Reports

Provost – Dr. Gretchen Caughman:

- **April 18, 2017 USG BOR meeting**
 - Establishment of Virendra B. Mahesh, Ph.D., D. Phil. Distinguished Chair in Neuroscience
 - Tuition and Fees
 - 2% increase in undergraduate tuition across all institutions
 - AU student mandatory fee increases
 - Activities: \$5
 - Health: \$10
 - Technology: \$10
 - Brings total fees to \$940 (Summerville students), \$1035 (HS)
 - Launch of USG Comprehensive Administrative Review – Pres. Keel is member of committee
- **Leadership Searches**
 - VPAFA – in progress
 - Pamplin dean – Dr. Elna Green appointed
 - MCG dean – Dr. David Hess appointed
- **Upcoming events**
 - Tomorrow (Tues) May 2, 5:30: OFDTE Celebration of Faculty

- Wed, May 3: Faculty and Staff Service Recognition Breakfast – 5, 10, 15 yrs.
- Friday, May 12: Commencement and associated events

Academic Vice President for Faculty and Academic Affairs – Dr. Rychly

- 818 students will be graduating this Spring Commencement. This number does not include the medical and dental students.
- Admissions this fall are currently up by more than 200 compared to last year.
- Summer enrollments are up by 49 students from last year
- Laurie Bush Manager, Faculty Support Services will be moving to the systems office. The new manager of Faculty Support Services will be Michelle Mims.
- Faculty Survey of Student Engagement (FSSE) is open until the end of May. Our current completion rate is 34% if we could have 70 more people complete the survey we would have a 95% confidence interval. It takes about 20 minutes to complete and allows faculty to respond to student engagement at Augusta University.
 - FSSE is the faculty component linked to Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement (BCSSE) and National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)

Committee Reports:

Reports will be posted on the University Senate web page once they have been submitted by the committees.

- Student Affairs Committee moved the Student Code of Conduct change to add gender identity to pages 19 and 20 be endorsed. The University Senate endorsed this policy.

Invited Guests:

- **Update on the Cyber Center/Cyber Institute Joanne Sexton
Director of Cyber Institute**
 - **Cyber Center**
 - Is being built with the \$50 million cash that Governor allocated to this project
 - It will house a Cyber range and other areas that can be rented or leased to help generate money needed to run the facilities.
 - **Cyber Institute**
 - **Vision is to become a national leader in cypher security education**
 - **Core strings include**
 - Cyber Operations
 - Health Security
 - Data Science

- **Enables/collaborates** with other AU units to produce opportunities for our students in the following degree areas
 - MS in Information Security Management
 - MA in Intelligence and Security Studies
 - BS in Information Technology concentration in Cyber security
 - Certificates
 - Health Security
 - Degrees under consideration
 - MS in Data Science
 - BS in Computer Science with a concentration in Cyber Ops
 - **Research/Grants** Awarded or applied for (a few of many)
 - Over last 3 years over \$ 500 K for GenCyber Summer Academy
 - NSF \$500 K to work on building in security for medical devices (submitted)
 - NSA Core Curricula Development Grant
 - GA Consortium for Intelligence & Security Studies \$1.5 million (applying for)
 - \$24,630 awarded through an internal grant program
 - Upcoming events
 - June 19th Ground Breaking
 - Sept. 16th Bsidies Augusta
 - Oct. 12-13th Cyber Georgia
 - **Faculty Athletic Representative Report** **Dr. David Hunt**
 - Reported on Student Athletes
 - We have 191 student athletes across 13 sports
 - We have 7 women's and 6 men's sports
 - Forty-six of our athletes were on the Honor Roll (61%) up 9% from last year.
 - More information can be found in the PowerPoint posted on the University Senate's Web page.

Unfinished Business

- Senate Elections Report
 - 408 (37%) of faculty responded to the ballot
 - MJ Weintraub received the most votes for Vice Chair
 - Debbie van Tuyl received the most votes for Senator at Large
 - Due to multiple nominees from MCG for the other Senator at Large that election will be held in August after MCG determines their nominee

- Ad hoc Committee for By Law Review approved by University Senate
 - MJ Weintraub (Chair) College of Allied Health
 - Sabina Widner College of Science and Mathematics
 - Will Hatcher Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
 - Sandra Inglett College of Nursing
- Senate Committees
 - Most Colleges have filled their slots. MCG will complete theirs this summer. Many committees are electing chairs before the end of the term.

New Business

- Policies considered for endorsement
 - Attendance Policy was tabled
 - Course numbering, Cross-Listing and Cross-Leveling and suffixes policy, Curriculum Approval policy, Standard Course Meeting Times policy, Undergraduate Repeated Courses policy, Identifying the Instructor of Record policy, and Academic Honesty policy were endorsed by the University Senate
- Ombudsperson
 - Bob Nesbit's resignation was accepted by the University Senate
 - Dr. Richard Pawl was approved by the University Senate at the new Ombudsperson.
- New Senators that were present were recognized

Other Business as needed

- Laura Mulloy was endorsed by the University Senate to serve as the University Senate Liaison to the Naming Committee for 1 year.

Meeting was adjourned.

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