

## **Faculty Senate Minutes**

**Meeting: 02/02/2016 12:00pm**

**Senators in attendance: Birdsong, HaBirdsong, Hammons, Morgan, Deichman, Aldridge, Chrismon, Creech, Whaley, Grigsby, Kuhn and Lucas**

### **Minutes**

Minutes were not available from December's meeting

### **President's Report**

None

### **Financial Report**

None

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Items**

- A. Discussed the class sizes with initially small enrollments that they need to remain open through first week of class. Pat was going to calculate a dollar amount to compare 2006 data with minimum of 10 enrolled to today's data with 10 enrolled. We want to stress the importance of retention when we close a class only offered once a year and they need those classes to graduate. The senate would like classes open through at least Tuesday of the first week.
- B. We need improved communication about canceled and/or new classes during enrollment. We would like the registration office to send a list about canceled or new classes twice a week during the enrollment period.
- C. Science classes/lab times are conflicting with regular class times. Mark will look in to more flexibility
- D. Focus group with students who are not returning for a second semester. Need to generate a report from IT and then a possible survey sent to students to gain information. If money is an issue due to higher tuition, possible solutions could be to work off balance.
- E. Faculty want more input for in-service activities. Safety can be all online, and more workshops that faculty deem important.
- F. Is Faculty Senate still Advisory to the President? Handbook says we are advisory.
- G. Jeff Bowen met with faculty and we discussed the length of study hall and if there could be some extended hours.
- H. Email thoughts to Mary Susan or Leslie concerning a year-round 4 day work week.

### **Additional Items**

Request to adjourn by 1:00pm.