

DAFVM Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

February 8th, 2018
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Roll Call

Members present at meeting: Tom Allen, Jason Barrett, Matt Griffin, Simone Hinz, Caleb Lemley, Chuo Li, Anna Linhoss, Bisoondat Macoon, Florencia Meyer, Stephen Myers, Bindu Nanduri, Brittney Oliver, Julie Parker, Donna Peterson, and Amanda Stone

Excused: Jay McCurdy, Jiaxu Li, Kelley Wamsley, John Long, Raja Reddy, John Willis, Mariah Morgan, Jason Street, Wes Neil, Brent Frey, Scott Samson, Keun Seo, George Popescu, Eric Stafne, Lurleen Walters, Brian Williams, Lifang Yan

Absent: David Christiansen, Marina Denny

Meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. - Jason Barrett, President

Minutes from January meeting were approved

Standing Committee Reports

Dr. Hopper

- March 27th CALS/MAFES luncheon at 11:30 am all faculty and staff are invited
- The university is asking for a 10% budget increase from the legislature to restore us to the precut budget.
- Thank you to the DAFVM faculty senate for the review of clinical faculty
- All 9 departments have advisory boards
- Online student evaluations of teachers is coming soon.

Dr. Hoblet

- 9 scholarships per year will be coming in to vet school from a large donation
 - Using this to get very qualified students
- Clinical tract appointments
 - Responsibilities of clinical faculty include:
 - Teaching, patient care, diagnostics
 - Scholarship is determined individually but is not required
 - Clinical work is required to meet the mission of the vet school
 - Salaries for clinical vs. tenure tract faculty are the same
 - Clinical tract faculty are updating guidelines for promotion
 - Evaluation for promotion is done by the Department Head and college.
There is no departmental committee.

Dr. Moore

- 2017 DAFVM Division annual report has just been published
- 2017 MS Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Production Estimates has been published.
- Producer advisory committees starting next week (off-site). The producer suggestions are listened to. This develops a good relationship with the producers.
 - ~3 million research grants are received by promotion boards each year.
 - Contact your Center head if you are interested in reaching out to Producer Advisory Committees.
 - Producer Advisory Committee meeting dates
 - North MS Verona Feb 15
 - Division Council Feb 19
 - Central MS Feb 20th
 - Coastal Ellisville Feb 27th
- If you have a problem in a department that affects productivity, please contact HR. There is a new program whereby the “culture of the department” can be addressed and a positive environment can be promoted. Daryl Easley is heading this up.
- Dixie National is going on.

Chair Report: Dr. Barrett

- Department heads meeting
 - Please complete the Carnegie Community Engagement survey. This is a self-study to support our reclassification.

Committee Reports

- Bylaws committee update: (Dr. Barrett and Dr. Meyers for Dr. Long)
 - Review of the DAFVM charter and bylaws to make sure that we are in compliance with clinical faculty changes. Based on sections 1.1.4 and 2.2.1.1 we are in compliance and we don't need to reword anything

Open to the floor

- There is a concern about the 15 hour rule, i.e. if any student is receiving state financial aid or scholarships then they have to be enrolled in at least 15 hours. There is a sense that this is an additional burden on underprivileged students. This is a more stringent rule than federal aid requirements.

Next meeting

- March 8, 2018 at 1:30 pm Bost Rm #205

Dr. Barrett adjourned at 2:30 p.m.