

DAFVM faculty senate minutes

March 8th, 2018
Bost 205

Meeting convened at 1:30 pm by Dr. Jason Barrett, Chair

Roll call (sign in)

Present: Jason Barrett, David Christiansen, Marina Denny, Simone Hinz, Jiaxu Li, Anna Linhoss, John Long, Jay McCurdy, Mariah Morgan, Brittney Oliver, Julie Parker, Donna Peterson, Raja Reddy, Brent Frey, Keun Seo, Eric Stafne, Jason Street, Kelly Wamsley, Bisoondat Macoon

Excused: Tom Allen, Caleb Lemley, Florencia Meyer, Bindu Nanduri, Wes, Neal, Amanda Stone, John Willis, Lifang Yan

Absent: Ryan Butler, Matt Griffin, Skip Jack, Chuo Li, Stephen Meyers, Scott Samson, George Popescu, Lurleen Walters, Brian Williams

Minutes from February were approved

Committee reports

Office of the Vice President: Dr. Moore and Dr. Bohach

- Thank you to the DAFVM Senate for their work
- Cautiously optimistic that funding will not be cut at the state level. Concerns about cuts at the federal level. Federal agriculture (including forestry and veterinary medicine) expenditures have gone down about 40% since 2005.
- Concern about the loss of long time legislators, especially Senator Cochran

Dean of the College: Dr. Hopper

- Thank you for your leadership
- Upcoming events
 - Advisory boards from all 9 academic departments are on campus today and tomorrow. Distinguished fellows will be recognized in the departments.
 - Dr. Charles H Beady Jr will be speaking at the College of Ag and Life Sciences Charles Lindley Lecture. Friday March 23rd 11:00-12:00 McCool Rm 124.

Director of Extension: Dr. Martin for Dr. Jackson

- Thank you for all that you have done
- Extension Administrative Counsel
 - Dr. Jackson meets with department and institute heads monthly
 - Chief technology officer presentation on the importance of two factor authentication to log into msstate.edu for security

Holland Faculty Senate: Dr. Denny

- Undergraduate entrance requirements
 - The possibility of a waiver of language requirements for English as a second language students if they have completed acceptable training is being discussed
 - Editorial changes have been made to the annual faculty review process
 - The developmental studies class (summer) for undergraduate students prior to coming into the college: minimum grade increased to a C
 - Class repeat policies: unless a course is listed under UCCC as being repeatable, it cannot be repeated (ex. seminar classes) unless it is for a grade improvement
 - Per the Provost request: an ad hoc committee has been developed to look at standards and metric for teacher effectiveness that can be used uniformly across the university for all faculty
 - Discussion ensued regarding how we are switching to an online student evaluation

Chair report

- DAFVM charter and bylaws section 1.1.2 explanation of the Center for Technology Outreach was not mentioned as an entity included in the make-up of the DAFVM senate. This was discussed previously and approved but the changes were not made. Dr. Barrett made these updates.
- Important dates
 - March 27th CALS/MAFES luncheon and awards
 - April 12th: 1:30 pm Bost

New Business

Mr. Darrell Easley (learning and development manager: cultural assessments)

- Human resources has a service to address cultural problems on campus: Cultural Assessment
 - They create workshops or programs to address any cultural issues and bring them to the requesting department or unit

Mr. Jack McCarty (MSU foundation)

- Went to school at MSU in CALS
- We have a great tradition in this division. We have a strong constituency. We have a great cause.
- We should capitalize on this tradition.
- What can the faculty do to help to build a culture of philanthropy?
 - Refer to the individuals whose our buildings and classrooms were named after
 - We are building the next generation of our donors. When faculty, advisors, and deans take students under their wing makes a big difference in students' lives
 - Insert yourself into the development process. Personally thank donors
 - Work with fundraisers and know who they are in your college and division
 - Capitalize on the relationships that we have
 - Help the foundation to identify prospects
 - Help with Hail State Giving Days

- Host donors in the classroom
 - Get involved in scholarship/stewardship programs
 - Visit a donor
- Floor was open to new business
- Motion to adjourn made and approved.
- Adjourn 2:30