Macon State College Faculty Senate Minutes of Meeting #3 PSC-112 Friday, October 14, 2011

Present:

Dr. Nancy Bunker (Associate Professor of English)

Dr. Debra Matthews (Professor of English)

Dr. Clay Morton (Associate Professor of English)

Dr. Andrew Manis (Associate Professor of History)

Dr. John Trimboli (Associate Professor of Mathematics)

Dr. Steven Wallace (Assistant Professor of Mathematics)

Dr. Kevin Cantwell (Chair, Professor of English)

Dr. David Davis (Professor of Biology)

Dr. Jeff Burne (Professor of Biology)

Dr. David Biek (Associate Professor of Psychology)

Dr. Cantwell called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

Dr. Wallace read the minutes from the September 6, 2011 AY 2012 meeting of the Macon State College Faculty Senate. Ms. Brown made a motion to approve those minutes as read, Dr. Shinn seconded the motion, and it was brought to a vote. The Senate voted to approve the minutes.

Dr. Wallace made a motion to approve the Agenda for the Friday, October 14, 2011 meeting of the Faculty Senate. Mr. Yerby seconded the motion, and discussion was broached. Dr. Cantwell made a motion to modify the Agenda by adding four points to be rocedures for curriculum changes, (2) ideas for the future of Macon State College, (3) modifying the Senate Bylaws to remove ex-officio members from the Senate Roster, and (4) an update on the Macon State Foundation Faculty Campaign. The motion to modify was seconded by Ms. Kochera, and the Senate voted to approve the revised Agenda.

discussion about the revision of the Macon State College Mission Statement was reopened (FS 111014A*). Dr. Cantwell informed the Senate that the Foundation had been copied on the revision, and that it is the prerogative of the President of the College to change the Mission Statement as needed. Dr. Biek

Morton seconded this motion, and the motion carried. Then Ms. Kochera moved for acceptance of the Macon State Mission Statement with the aforementioned revisions and Dr. Manis seconded the motion. The Senate voted to approve the Mission Statement.

A proposal from the Executive Committee for the election of a representative to the USG Faculty Council (FS111014B) was placed before the senate. Coming from a standing committee, no second was needed. Mr. Yerby, Parliamentarian, explained that one of the three nominees provided by the Executive Committee was stricken from the ballot as he was not eligible to serve un e nominee is currently a chair of a department. Dr. Bunker nominated Dr. David Sidore as a replacement. Using a ballot provided, the Senate voted and the two top vote-getters were Dr. Dawn Sherry and Dr. Jeff Burne. A run-off vote was taken and the Senate voted for Dr. Sherry to be the Macon State College representative to the USG Faculty Council.

Several proposals for curriculum changes from the Academic Affairs Committee were placed before the Senate by Ms. Sartin. Coming from a standing committee no second

degree in Sports Fitness and Management (FS111014C). Ms. Sartin explained that the degree fulfilled a need in the community and that a demand for such a degree was apparent from the current student body. Four new courses were proposed to fit the

Senate then voted and approved these proposals.

suggestions for revision. Dr. Wolfenbarger seconded the motion. The Senate voted to approve the creation of such an ad hoc committee. Mr. Yerby then nominated Dr. Wolfenbarger to serve on this ad hoc committee, and Ms. Brown volunteered to serve on it as well. Mr. Yerby moved that the ad hoc committee consist of the aforementioned two members. Dr. Manis seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mr. Tsavatewa mentioned that this year gifts for donating to the Macon State Foundation Faculty Campaign will be given to departments rather than to individual donors.

Dr. Cantwell notified the members of the Senate that Provost Venn asked that the modification to the procedures for promotion and tenure be postponed until at least AY 2013.