

Middle Georgia State University Faculty Senate AY 2017–2018
Meeting #2 TEB 231, Macon Campus
Friday, October 6, 2017

Present:

Dr. Donna Balding, Assistant Chair of Natural Sciences
Dr. Shannon Beasley, Assistant Professor of Information Technology
Dr. Maritza Bell-Corrales, Professor of Spanish
Dr. Gaston Brouwer, Parliamentarian of the Faculty Senate, Associate Professor of Mathematics
Dr. Jeffrey Burne, Professor of Biology
Dr. Kathleen Burt, Senate Recorder, Assistant Professor of English
Ms. Patsy Butts, Assistant Professor of Nursing
Dr. Shirley Camp, Assistant Professor of Nursing
Mr. Adam Craig, Instructor of Aviation Maintenance and Structural Technology
Ms. Vanessa Paige Crump, Associate Professor of Spanish
Dr. Javan Frazier, Chair of the Faculty Senate, Professor of History
Ms. Mary (Mert) Gareis, Associate Professor of English
Dr. Greg George, Associate Professor of Economics
Dr. Paul Gladden, Associate Professor of Psychology
Ms. Robin Grant, Electronic Resources Librarian
Mr. Michael Hammock, Assistant Professor of Mathematics
Ms. Lisa Henry, Assistant Professor of Air Traffic Management
Ms. Melissa Jordan, Department of Nursing
Dr. Richard Kilburn, Assistant Professor of Mathematics
Dr. Gerald Lucas, Professor of English
Dr. Anthony Narsing, Associate Professor of Management
Dr. Michele Scordato, Assistant Professor of Clinical Social Work
Dr. Randy Spaid, Professor of Education
Dr. Kirby Swenson, Assistant Professor of Biology
Mr. Edwynn Wallace, Associate Professor of Physics
Ms. Lacey Turner-Wallace, Department of Nursing
Dr. Steven Wallace, Associate Professor of Mathematics

Absent/Excused:

Dr. Robert Burnham, Professor of History
Mr. Lowell Hinchee, Assistant Professor of Aviation Science and Management
Dr. Karmen Lenz, Professor of English
Dr. John Pattillo, Vice-Chair of the Faculty Senate, Associate Professor of Biology
Mr. Lee Simmons, Assistant Professor of Art

Guests:

Dr. Christopher Blake, President
Ms. Vicky Smith, Executive Director, Human Resources
Ms. Nancy Stroud, Executive Vice President of Finance and Operations
Dr. Mary Wearn, Professor of English, Assistant Provost for Academic Planning & Policy

Call to Order and Approval of Minutes and Agenda

Dr. Frazier called the meeting to order at 10am.

Dr. Frazier called for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting (August 25, 2017) as amended with a date correction. Dr. Brouwer made the motion, and Ms. Gareis seconded. There was no discussion, and the motion was approved.

Dr. Frazier called for a motion to approve a revised agenda, striking the report from the Academic Affairs Committee, and changing the presenter of the Executive Committee report from Dr. Shikwambi to Dr. Frazier. Dr. Wallace made the motion, and Dr. Beasley seconded. The motion was approved.

Report from Dr. Blake

Dr. Blake gave an update to the Senate covering three main areas.

First, he reminded the Senate the Board of Regents was due to have its meeting for two days the

system). Re-enrollment will be passive this year, meaning that if you wanted to keep your benefits the same as they are in 2017, you would not need to do anything for 2018, unless you have a Flex Spending account. With that type of account, each cycle requires that you input how much goes into the account.

Other Reports

Dr. Frazier asked if there were any questions or other announcements.

Dr. Wallace asked if Senate documents were available on the new MGA website such as proposal that would be voted on. Dr. Wearn noted that for this meeting, there had been no proposals needing Senate attention, and the relocated and redesigned Shared Governance website was put onscreen to show where the information is now located..

A follow-up question was posed about which documents were posted in advance. The response was anything that would require voting, and the links to the proposals would be posted in advance.

Dr. Frazier called for a motion to conclude the meeting. Mr. Wallace made the motion, and Dr. Balding seconded. All were in favor, none opposed, and the meeting adjourned.

Kathleen Burt