

**MUW Faculty Senate Minutes
October 13, 2023
Zoom**

In attendance:

Stephen Meek

Lindsay Kemp

Shyam Heda

Kristy Alpe

Holly Krogh, President

Anita Pintado

Susan Hurley

Elizabeth Fountain

Bronwyn Teague

Catherine Cotton

Lestonio Yarbrough, Vice President

Chad Murphy

Rose Ford

Absent:

Melissa Smith

Jared Quist

Carol Dowdy

Shana Lenoir

Leslie Stratyner

Proxy:

Brian Burnes proxy for Chanley Rainey

April Greenway proxy for Shana Lenoir, Secretary

Nora Corrigan proxy for Leslie Stratyner

Anita Pintado proxy for Jared Quist

Guest:

President Holly Krogh called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes from September – the minutes were motioned (Shyam Heda; seconded by Brian Burnes) and approved by the senators with no necessary corrections.

2. Committee Reports

- Faculty Salaries Committee
 - i. Following the September meeting, one more member was added to the committee: Jared Quist. Between the Senate and Academic Council members working on the procedural manual, all five units (e.g., colleges) are now represented.
 - ii. Requested data on faculty salaries.
- Administrative Council —reviewed by Holly Krogh.
 - i. Naming Committee—the name has been decided. First draft for branding expected by the end of the month. In November the name goes to IHL board. Presented to legislation in January. Developing plan to deal with leak if needed. Steve Meek volunteered to assist if needed with branding.
 - ii. Women's College Working Group – to ensure historic mission and history remains alive on campus. Plan to propose this to board in February; group predominately consists of deans.
- Meeting with the President- She had a short meeting with President Miller. Discussed the athletic director Jennifer Claybrook who resigned for personal reasons. Buddy Foster is serving as interim; has experience and not coaching currently. Will begin the search committee for this position soon.
- Academic Council – reviewed report
- PIE (no report as they haven't met this semester)
- Fund A and Faculty Foundation Funds
 - i. Fund A for travel – granted almost half of the fund. There is \$4,150 left in the account.
 - ii. Fund B improves faculty teaching- The account has \$1,275 left for funding. If a faculty member needs equipment or technology for classroom teaching, reach out to get funding.

3. Unfinished Business

- President Krogh reported there needed to be a separate meeting to vote on the constitution revisions discussed in last meeting. We can't vote today because it must be the total faculty senate vote. Would like to put this into Canvas for everyone to vote so be looking for an invitation for that to complete electronically.

4. New Business

- President Miller requested meeting time for November to move to 12pm due to scheduling conflicts. Senators agreed to change.
- The bookstore wants to bring the regional manager to meeting which will require a special session. Set date for October 20th at 12:15pm.

- Graduate Council Policy Statement 3525 – No changes were recommended when submitted for review. Catherine Cotton suggested receiving clarification on #2 “one graduate student” would be selected between departments/programs. Steve Meek motioned to accept with recommended changes. Catherine Cotton 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Teacher Education Council Policy Statement 3533 – submitted for review with addition of ‘CAEP faculty accreditation liaison and the Director of the Center for Education Support’ to membership. Rose Ford motioned to approve as presented. Lestonio Yarbrough 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.
 - State Auditor’s Report – President Miller said it’s not as bad as auditor’s Tweets suggest. The IHL board is planning a response to discuss the value of liberal arts in education. President Miller said the report for nursing and education was positive. President Miller is not concerned with report and believes interest will die down after election. A faculty member has requested to review the report and respond to it. Nora Corrigan suggests response to be drafted to show support for students that we aren’t pushing utilitarian paths only, nor are faculty to exercise undue influence by choosing pathways for the students. No motions to respond to the report were made at this time.
5. Other—Shyam Heda questioned parking on campus. President Krogh suggests bringing the police chief to January or February meeting. There will be a new Master Plan for campus soon, and she will keep parking suggestions in mind when attending relevant meetings. She will send out information on the meetings being held and who they are open to.
6. Closing Comment/Adjourn at 1:10 pm by President Krogh

Respectfully submitted,
April Greenway