

Rogers State University

Faculty Senate Minutes

September 5, 2008

The RSU Faculty Senate held a meeting September 5, 2008, at 1:15 p.m. in room 303 of the Stratton Taylor Library.

MEMBERS present were: Paul Hatley (Chair), MaryRose Hart (Vice Chair), Sally Emmons (Secretary), Rich Ronan (Parliamentarian), Mary Mackie (Treasurer), Phil Sample, Frank Grabowski, Terry Sutton, Don Glass, Sharon Fernlund, David Blakely, Mike McKeon, William Hart, Susan Chinburg, Michael Wells, Min Soe

MEMBERS absent were: None

VISITORS: Diana Clayton, Kelly Fields, Lisa Martin

OLD BUSINESS

Office Hours: The Faculty Senate once again considered what office hours are appropriate for faculty to hold on campus. It was agreed that this issue is closely linked to the efficacy of faculty advising, and the overall retention rate of the student body. More discussion of this issue will occur when Dr. Richard Beck meets with the Faculty Senate at its next scheduled meeting.

VISITORS

Campus Net: Kelly Fields, RSU Webmaster, visited with members of the Faculty Senate, explaining that a new campus net will be coming soon. She is presently in the process of uploading the agendas and minutes of committee meetings which occur on campus, but she does not have all of the materials that she needs from each committee. Senators are urged to let RSU committee members know that all approved minutes need to be forwarded to Fields so that she can make them available on the Intra-Net.

Tobacco Free Campus: Lisa Martin, Director of the Health Services Center on the Claremore campus, requests that the Faculty Senate support her in her proposal to see RSU become a tobacco free campus. RSU has been certified as a "healthy business" for the past three years, but Martin would like to see it recognized with an "Honor of Excellence" ranking, the only superior ranking to that of a "healthy business." Factors which contributed to RSU being deemed a healthy business include: there is a physician on site; there is a walking track on campus; the Health Services Center can perform lab work when necessary; students, faculty, and staff have access to immunizations and medications; students, faculty, and staff have access to the Claremore Rec Center and the campus's Wellness Center; there is a nursing facility on the Claremore campus. Martin would like to see RSU become the first regional university in Oklahoma to become tobacco free in 2009, and explained that this higher ranking might lower insurance rates.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that Faculty Senate Senators should return to their individual departments, and query faculty regarding their support of a policy which would make RSU a Tobacco Free Campus.

NEW BUSINESS

Availability of University Materials on the Intra-Net: The Faculty Senate discussed whether all university materials should be available on a single website that is accessible both on and off campus.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that Faculty Senate Senators should return to their individual departments, and query faculty regarding their support of making the Intra-Net accessible from off campus, and, if so, what materials they would like to have access to.

Preferential Treatment of Students: The Faculty Senate discussed concerns that student athletes may be subject to more lenient rules in university housing than non-athletes, and discussed whether student athletes have access to a \$60,000 computer lab in Bushyhead Field House that other students cannot use. Michael Wells has agreed to request information from Wren Baker regarding the lab; specifically, he will ask about the source of the \$60,000 dollars that funded the lab, and what the operating procedures for the lab will be.

Grant Proposals: The Faculty Senate discussed concerns that scholarly research grant proposals are now being favored to receive grants over proposals for the development of online courses.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved requesting information from the Institutional Research Committee that would clarify three concerns: How much course development (online and on-ground) is funded through a university grant? How much scholarly research is funded through a university grant? What do members of the IR believe is an equitable division?

WebCT: The Faculty Senate discussed the need for RSU to upgrade its version of WebCT, which is old compared to the industry standard.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that the Distance Education Committee should be tasked with examining the software available to replace WebCT and making a recommendation as to an appropriate successor of the current WebCT product.

“Bank” of Sick Leave: The Faculty Senate discussed that the university currently has a “bank” of unused sick leave that faculty and staff may use in the event of an extenuating circumstance. However, it is unclear how an individual applies to use some of this sick leave, or what the criteria are for determining who receives it.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be September 19, 2008, at 1:15 p.m. in 303 STL.

SUBMITTED BY Sally Emmons, Secretary

APPROVED September 19, 2008

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Faculty Senate Minutes

19 September 2008

The RSU Faculty Senate held a meeting 19 September 2008, at 1:15 p.m. in room 303 of the Stratton Taylor Library.

MEMBERS present were: Paul B. Hatley (Chair), MaryRose Hart (Vice-Chair), Sally Emmons (Secretary), Rich Ronan (Parliamentarian), Mary Mackie (Treasurer), Phil Sample, Frank Grabowski, Terry Sutton, Don Glass, Sharon Fernlund, David Blakely, Mike McKeon, William Hart, Susan Chinburg, Michael Wells, Min Soe

MEMBERS absent were: Michael Wells

VISITORS: Bob Willis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the 5 September 2008 meeting were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Vote on Proposed Tobacco Free-Campus: The Senators presented their results from polling their respective faculty on whether RSU should become the first tobacco-free regional university in the state. The members of the Faculty Senate then voted on this proposal; the majority voted against making RSU a tobacco-free campus.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and approved that the Faculty Senate write a letter in opposition to RSU becoming tobacco-free. Senator Bill Hart has been tasked with writing this letter.

VISITORS

Teaching Load Reductions for Community College Track Faculty: Bob Willis spoke on behalf of the RSU faculty who are on the Community College Track. According to Willis, these faculty teach five classes per semester, advise students, and also perform service on university and departmental committees. This leads to an unusually heavy load for some faculty. Willis proposed that the teaching load of any faculty on the community college track be reduced from five to four classes, in appreciation for their twenty-plus years of service to RSU. Members of the Faculty Senate discussed this proposal, including the equity of making a policy change that reduces the teaching load of faculty based upon their seniority at RSU, and whether faculty on the community college track can apply for a promotion in academic rank.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that the Faculty Senate task the Academic Policies and Procedures Committee with examining RSU's current teaching, advising, and service load requirements for all faculty on campus. If the Academic Policies and Procedures Committee determines that revisions are necessary, it will initiate this action.

NEW BUSINESS

Insurance Rate: The Faculty Senate discussed the 13.6% increase in medical insurance rates that is slated to become effective January 1, 2009. Members then reviewed a letter that the presidents of several Faculty Senate committees at various Oklahoma schools propose to send to the Board of Regents of the Regional University System of Oklahoma, the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents, and the Oklahoma State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board. This letter expresses discontent at such a dramatic rate increase. Senator Terri Sutton has been tasked with verifying the rate increases cited in the letter.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that the Faculty Senate support the letter to the Board of Regents of the Regional University System of Oklahoma, the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents, and the Oklahoma State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board if the numbers cited in the letter are accurate.

Faculty Association Money and Dues: According to RSU Comptroller Mark Meadors, the Faculty Senate currently has a treasury of \$418.44. Mary Mackie, Treasurer of the Faculty Senate, proposed requesting faculty to pay dues to the Faculty Association (as allowed by the Faculty Association's Constitution). This money can then be added to the Faculty Senate's treasury, and can then be used to support faculty in a number of ways on campus. Ideas discussed included the possibility of holding a faculty awards ceremony and dinner, or a faculty convocation, or a meet-and-greet at the official opening of the new Student Center in 2009.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that the senators in the Faculty Senate ask the faculty in their departments for recommendations concerning the events they would like the treasury of the Faculty Senate to cover when sufficient funds are available.

Student Recruitment: The Faculty Senate discussed the role of recruiters on campus, including: What do the recruiters tell prospective students about RSU? Are the recruiters telling prospective students accurate information about RSU's degree programs? Are prospective students lost to other schools in the state because RSU does not offer a specific program? If so, which program? Do the recruiters communicate this information to departments on campus? Do the recruiters invite representatives from each department to attend important recruiting events with them so that correct information is disseminated to prospective students?

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that Senator Bill Hart investigate and report back to the Faculty Senate the status of recruitment efforts at RSU.

Competitive Academic Wages: The Faculty Senate discussed concerns that the median rate in salary pay for faculty at RSU should be the same as the median rate of pay for faculty at sister schools. In addition, it was discussed that senior faculty should be compensated for the salary compression which occurs to their pay each year. Finally, it was discussed that RSU should provide money for faculty development every year.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that RSU's goal be to reach and maintain the median salary for faculty at sister schools in Oklahoma and the contiguous states; that funds be allocated to adjust for salary compression; and, that funds be allocated for faculty development each year.

Dean Evaluation Form: The Faculty Senate discussed the need for Academic Deans to be evaluated every year, just as faculty and department heads are evaluated. Evidently, an evaluation form was developed in 2004 by a special Senate committee, but the proposal was not taken up by the administration.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and approved (with two abstentions) that the Faculty Senate contact individuals who served on the special committee and ask them to provide the Faculty Senate with a copy of the proposed dean evaluation form, which will then be forwarded to the Academic Policies and Procedures Committee for review and recommendations.

Student Enrollment in Classes: The Faculty Senate is concerned that some students have been allowed entrance into classes without the instructor's permission (which is specified as being necessary in the Bulletin) when the regular enrollment period has ended. Evidently, some department heads and deans have given these students permission to enroll in these classes, yet RSU policy does not allow this. This then can create problems for faculty who have these students in their classes.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that RSU's current enrollment process be enforced.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be 3 October 2008, at 1:15 p.m. in 303 STL.

SUBMITTED BY Sally Emmons, Secretary

APPROVED

Rogers State University

Faculty Senate Minutes

November 7, 2008

The RSU Faculty Senate held a meeting November 7, 2008, at 1:15 p.m. in room 303 of the Stratton Taylor Library.

MEMBERS present were Paul Hatley (Chair), MaryRose Hart (Vice Chair), Sally Emmons (Secretary), Rich Ronan (Parliamentarian), Mary Mackie (Treasurer), Phil Sample, Terry Sutton, Don Glass, Sharon Fernlund, Mike McKeon, William Hart, Min Soe

MEMBERS absent were David Blakely, Frank Grabowski, Susan Chinburg, Michael Wells

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for October 3, 2008, meeting were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Grant Proposals: Bill Hart will contact the IRC and the Faculty Development Committee for clarification regarding the selection process in place for grant proposals, and where the money is allocated (for research, for development of online classes, etc.)

Textbook Selection: The Academic Policies and Procedures Committee has approved a compromised version of the proposed Textbook Selection policy. The Faculty Senate will vote on the compromised version at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Dorm Student Parking: There is a parking problem on campus which may be alleviated by requiring students who live in the dorms to actually park their vehicles in the dorm parking lots (where other students, faculty, and staff are not allowed to park). Currently, there is a policy that requires any car with a dorm parking sticker to park at the dorms rather than at campus buildings but this policy is not being enforced by Campus Police.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that students with RSU dorm parking stickers be required to park their vehicles in the dorm parking lots from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and that this policy be enforced.

Staff Pay: The staff pay scale needs to be reviewed and amended as appropriate because qualified and competent staff are losing RSU for higher paying jobs. The RSU staff pay scale needs to be competitive with comparable jobs in the Tulsa-Metro area so that assets to the RSU community are not lost to other local businesses.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that the administration review compensation for RSU staff with Tulsa-Metro area wage scale; and that, when appropriate, staff compensation be adjusted as appropriate in order to be competitive with other local businesses.

Faculty Association Constitution: An April 2000 version of the Faculty Association Constitution exists. It is suggested that 6.2 of the Constitution be amended so that Terms of Office are established for Faculty Senate members. Chair of the Faculty Senate, Paul Hatley, will supply possible wording for consideration at the next meeting.

Tenure and Promotion: Some faculty would like the option of submitting a CD for tenure and promotion rather than being required to stay with a book option.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that the Academic Policies and Procedures Committee consider an option allowing faculty to submit their portfolios for tenure and promotion review by CD rather than in a book form.

Possible Scheduling Change: The Deans are in the process of proposing to the administration that classes be held on a M/W or T/R schedule.

Academic Policies and Procedures Committee: Requests that the Faculty Senate charge the Faculty Development Committee with looking at the viability of adding a peer evaluation system to the tenure and promotion review process and that this be included in the new Academic Policies and Procedures Manual. Members of the Faculty Senate agree.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be December 5, 2008, at 1:15 p.m. in 303 STL.

Rescheduled Date: February 6, 2009, at 1:15 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge of the new Student Center.

SUBMITTED BY Sally Emmons, Secretary

APPROVED

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Faculty Senate Minutes

March 6, 2009

The RSU Faculty Senate held a meeting March 6, 2009, at 1:15 p.m. in the Board Room of the Student Union.

MEMBERS present were Paul Hatley (Chair), Sally Emmons (Secretary), Mary Mackie (Treasurer), Phil Sample, Terry Sutton, Don Glass, Monica Varner for Sharon Fernlund, Mike McKeon, William Hart, Frank Grabowski, Susan Chinburg, David Blakely

MEMBERS absent were Michael Wells, Min Soe, Rich Ronan, MaryRose Hart

OLD BUSINESS

Dean Evaluation: The Faculty Senate discussed language changes to the dean evaluation form.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and approved changing the word “undecided” to “don’t know”.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and approved forming a sub-committee consisting of three Faculty Senate members to evaluate the effectiveness of the survey and to propose additional changes to it.

Distance Education Committee: The Chair of the Faculty Senate reported to members that the Distance Education Committee has not yet made a recommendation as to a new online platform for online instruction at RSU.

Turnitin.com: The Chair of the Faculty Senate reported to members that the Vice President for Academic Affairs supports turnitin.com. Faculty Senate members were pleased to learn about this and expressed their interest in being able to use this anti-plagiarism software. The Chair will report this information back to the VPAA.

Pay, Tenure and Promotion: The Chair of the Faculty Senate expressed concern to the VPAA that RSU faculty with terminal degrees are not being treated equitably in terms of promotion and tenure. The VPAA has investigated the matter and has located one instance of salary compression that he assures will be rectified soon. The VPAA also assures the Faculty Senate Chair that he wants equity in pay in the disciplines.

NEW BUSINESS

Presidential Investiture: The Presidential Investiture will occur on May 9, 2009, possibly during the second graduation ceremony.

Athletic E-Mails: Some faculty on campus have recently expressed discontent to their Faculty Senate senators that they dislike receiving daily e-mail updates from the athletic department. The Chair of the Faculty Senate will discuss this with Wren Baker and Ron Bradley.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be April 3, 2009, at 1:15 p.m. in the Board Room of the Student Center.

SUBMITTED BY Sally Emmons, Secretary

APPROVED April 3, 2009

Rogers State University

Faculty Senate Minutes

April 3, 2009

The RSU Faculty Senate held a meeting April 3, 2009, at 1:15 p.m. in the Board Room of the Student Union.

MEMBERS present were Paul Hatley (Chair), Sally Emmons (Secretary), Mary Mackie (Treasurer), Phil Sample, Terry Sutton, Don Glass, Sharon Fernlund, Mike McKeon, William Hart, Frank Grabowski, Susan Chinburg, David Blakely, Michael Wells, Rich Ronan

MEMBERS absent were Min Soe, MaryRose Hart

VISITOR: Nic Pranger, Academic Computing Services

VISITOR'S BUSINESS: At the request of the Faculty Senate, Nic Pranger has written a short explanation of instructions that faculty and staff may use to block e-mails from unwanted senders. Mr. Pranger presented this list of instructions to the Faculty Senate and provided copies for senators to take back with them to their respective departments for dispersal.

OLD BUSINESS

Distance Education Committee: The Distance Education Committee is formally recommending that Angel be selected as the new online instruction platform at RSU.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved the Distance Education Committee's recommendation. The Chair of the Faculty Senate will inform Dr. Myra Haulmark of this decision.

Dean Evaluation: At the previous Faculty Senate meeting a sub-committee was formed to evaluate the effectiveness of the Dean evaluation survey and to propose additional changes to it. The members of this sub-committee were updated today and a Chair of the sub-committee was appointed.

Faculty Lounge, Centennial Center: The Chair of the Faculty Senate reported to members that a phone and computer will soon be available for faculty use in the Faculty Lounge.

Athletic Student Advising: Several members of the Faculty Senate met with Wren Baker to discuss the problems that occur when student athletes are advised by the Athletic Department. Wren Baker agrees that the Athletic Department should send students to faculty for advising purposes rather than having advisement occur in the Athletic Department. It was proposed that a Faculty Senate liaison position be created. This position will serve as a liaison between the Faculty Senate and the Athletic Department when other concerns surface.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved that a Faculty Senate liaison position be created. This liaison will serve as the contact person between the Faculty Senate and the Athletic Department.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved selecting Susan Chinburg as the Faculty Senate liaison with the Athletic Department. This will be a one-year term.

Pay, Tenure and Promotion: The Chair of the Faculty Senate expressed concern to the VPAA that RSU faculty with terminal degrees are not being treated equitably in terms of promotion and tenure. The VPAA has investigated the matter and has located one instance of salary compression that he assures will be rectified soon. The VPAA also assures the Faculty Senate Chair that he wants equity in pay in the disciplines. Despite this, there is still a perception among some RSU faculty that a disparity in pay still exists at RSU which is of concern.

Tracking Software for Faculty Senate Memos: Peter Macpherson is currently designing software that will track when a Faculty Senate memo is sent to the administration and when that memo is responded to.

NEW BUSINESS

General Advising for New Enrollees: Members of the Faculty Senate discussed concerns regarding the advising process at RSU and the effectiveness of this process. In addition, it was discussed whether Enrollment Management does any general advising. Also, some members questioned the appropriateness of requiring faculty to be available for Early Enrollment if no evidence is available indicating that students will be available for those faculty to advise in their respective academic programs. A general dissatisfaction seems to exist among the faculty regarding the effectiveness of Early Advising.

Tuition Reductions/Waivers for RSU Family Members: Members of the Faculty Senate discussed whether now is the time to ask the administration to reconsider its position on tuition reductions/waivers for RSU family members. The Chair of the Faculty Senate will discuss this issue with the VPAA at their next meeting.

Faculty Senate Elections: Departmental senators need to return to their departments and request if any of their colleagues would like to run for the officer positions of the Faculty Senate. All names must be submitted to the Secretary of the Faculty Senate by April 10, 2009.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be April 17, 2009, at 1:15 p.m. in the Board Room of the Student Center.

SUBMITTED BY Sally Emmons, Secretary

APPROVED April 17, 2009

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Faculty Senate Minutes

April 17, 2009

The RSU Faculty Senate held a meeting April 17, 2009, at 1:15 p.m. in the Board Room of the Student Union.

MEMBERS present were Paul Hatley (Chair), Sally Emmons (Secretary), Mary Mackie (Treasurer), Phil Sample, Terry Sutton, Don Glass, Kevin Woller for Sharon Fernlund, Mike McKeon, Frank Grabowski, David Blakely, Rich Ronan, Min Soe

MEMBERS absent were William Hart, Susan Chinburg, Michael Wells, MaryRose Hart

VISITORS: President Larry Rice, Dr. Richard Beck, Professor Linda Andrews, Dr. Larry Green, Denny Schmickle, Bryce Brimer

VISITOR'S BUSINESS:

President Rice expressed his gratitude to all RSU faculty for their dedication and hard work. He noted the positive feedback he has received recently from members of the community regarding RSU and its many activities, including the Centennial events. He expressed a concern that there will likely be a budget cut for the next academic year given the current economic crisis. He has been asked to conceive plans of how RSU would be affected if the budget is cut 1%, 5%, or 10%. He said that a budget cut of 7% or more would be a devastating blow that might necessitate actions such as suspending TIAA-CREF contributions, halting all out-of-state travel, and possibly laying off personnel or reducing salaries. He cautioned against panic and assured that he does not want to see layoffs or salary cuts.

Dr. Beck echoed President Rice's appreciation for faculty involvement on campus, their willingness to take overloads, advise students, attend campus activities, etc. He noted that the City of Claremore recently granted RSU a gift of \$25,000 for the Centennial. He said that more front line staff is needed on campus to make contact with students more "personal," especially when they first enroll. When questioned about pay parity for faculty with terminal degrees on campus, Dr. Beck stated that if a level of inequity exists the faculty should visit with his/her department chair about this inequity; the department chair will then forward a recommendation to the appropriate dean, who will then forward the recommendation to the administration. Dr. Beck cautioned that the administration will need to see "evidence" that a pay inequity exists when comparing RSU's faculty pay to the salary that faculty with the same terminal degrees at other institutions in Oklahoma receive. He also stated that this discussion must occur during the budget cycle.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no discussion of old business.

NEW BUSINESS

RSU Mission Statement: RSU's mission statement is currently undergoing revision. Concerns that members of the Faculty Senate expressed regarding the proposed new mission statement include: why does the mission statement now say that graduate degrees will be offered? When will the first graduate degree be offered and what will it be? (Dr. Beck indicated that an MBA will likely be the first graduate degree offered at RSU); the word "safety" was questioned. Would it be better for the mission statement to say "physical safety" since "safety" is a very general term and could be linked to limits being placed on the free execution of diverse expression on campus; why does the mission statement say "general arts" rather than "general liberal arts"; should "academic freedom" be referred to as "intellectual freedom" or should the word "intellectual" simply be added? Dr. Beck took notes on these concerns and said he will present them to members of the Academic Council.

Student Evaluation of Instruction: Professor Linda Andrews believes that the current student evaluation of instruction system at RSU is limited, laborious, antiquated, and problematic because it isn't confidential. Professor Andrews has reviewed three new evaluation systems and recommends that RSU adopt the Idea Center's evaluation system (information on this system is available at www.theideacenter.org). This system would approximately cost \$6-7000 per

year, will provide timely feedback, and is confidential. Professor Andrews requests the Faculty Senate's support of this evaluation system. Senators will return to their departments and share this information with them and request feedback.

Student Workers Who Handle Other Students' Work: There is apparently discrepancy on campus regarding the amount that faculty in departments allows students to "handle" other students' work. Members of the Faculty Senate agree that faculty should be evaluating the work of students. Senators should return to their departments and this issue should be raised, discussed, and handled in individual departmental meetings.

Faculty Association Ballots: The Faculty Association will meet on May 1 at 1:15 p.m. in 135 Health Sciences. At this meeting, faculty will vote on next year's candidates for Faculty Senate. Senators should distribute and collect absentee ballots from any faculty who will be unable to attend the Faculty Association meeting. The candidates for next year's Faculty Senate are:

President: Jim Ford and Paul Hatley

Vice President: Mary Rose Hart

Secretary: Sally Emmons

Parliamentarian: Richard Ronan

Treasurer: Mary Mackie

Campus Mowing: Some faculty on campus are upset that so much noise occurs during final exam week because the Physical Plant is mowing and weed-eating in preparation for Graduation.

Motion: After discussion, members of the Faculty Senate moved, seconded, and unanimously approved asking the administration to tell the Physical Plant to cease and desist from mowing and other noisy activities during finals week. The Chair of the Faculty Senate will report this motion directly to the administration.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be May 1, 2009, immediately after the conclusion of the Faculty Association meeting.

SUBMITTED BY Sally Emmons, Secretary

APPROVED May 1, 2009