

Shared Governance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 23, 2008

Minutes

The Shared Governance (SG) Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, September 23, 2008 in LIB 651. The meeting was called to order by committee chair, Paxton Oliver.

Committee members present were Karen Briski, Bob Cage, Susan Duggins, Chip Holloway, Paul Karlowitz, Joe McGahan, Paxton Oliver, Denny Ryman, Pam Saulsberry, John Sutherlin, and Luke Thomas. Priscilla Turner was present to record the minutes.

Committee members absent but excused were Camille Currier and Robin Logan.

- The meeting was called to order and began with a re-cap of last year's progress.
- Faculty Senate President, Donna Rhorer was in attendance at the SG meeting and provided the committee with an overview of the Faculty Senate's recent SG work. A sub-committee created by the Senate began researching different models at other universities. A selection of models was then presented to the Faculty Senate. The consensus among the Senate was that their draft model(s) speaks to our university community. The designated Senate sub-committee will continue to study the draft model(s) and make changes to best fit this institution. The Senate plan is to have the SG assignment completed and ready for submission to the President by December 1, 2008.
- The Staff sub-committee representative also presented an update of their recent progress. They have met twice this year, creating three working groups to accomplish tasks quickly and effectively. One group's responsibility is to research peer institutions, the second group is focusing on the development of a formal staff survey and the third group is determining the needs of the staff.
- Discussion followed regarding Faculty Senate representation on the SG committee, Faculty Senate Model questions, and role of the full SG committee when the Faculty Senate and Staff committee reports are submitted to the President. Paxton Oliver is to ask the President about vacancies. He asked the committee to wait for finished reports before asking detail questions about models being developed. The role of the SG full committee regarding Senate and Staff SG reports will be discussed at the November meeting. The SG full committee will meet next in November. The committee is willing to meet earlier if conditions warrant. Date and location of the November meeting is tentatively set for November 25th from 4:00-5:00 in LIB 622.
- The meeting adjourned at 4:40PM.
- Recorders P. Turner and P. Oliver