

**Regular Meeting, Faculty Senate, Clayton State University, May 9, 2016, 11:01 a.m.**

Members Present: Randall Gooden, Celeste Walley-Jean, Kathryn Pratt Russell, Chris Pitsikoulis, Kathryn Kemp, Craig Hill, Barbara Musolf, Muhammad Rahman, Catherine Matos, Adam Kubik, Reza Kheirandish (member and proxy for John Mascaritolo), Seth Shaw (proxy for Chris Raridan), Debra Cody (member and proxy for Marcy Butler and Charlotte Swint), Tamara Pearson (voting proxy for Catherine Matos), Mark Watson (voting proxy for Kathryn Kemp)

Non-Members: Tim Hynes, Kevin Demmitt, Keith Miller, MeriBeth Stegall, Eugene Ngezem, Allen Ward, Todd Smith

I. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

A. The minutes of the April 25<sup>th</sup> regular meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

II. Reports of President, Provost and Standing Committees

A. President's Report

President Hynes thanked the Senate for their engaged participation, with respect holding even through disagreements in conversation. Dr. Hynes then talked about Campus Carry's veto, and the passing of the taser bill. He mentioned that Strategic Planning implementation groups will be formed this summer. He also said that as next year, the university reviews the implementation strategies for the disciplinary procedures process, the Senate will be involved. Our strategies are pretty close to what was recommended by the Board of Regents: determining "What constitutes reasonable behaviors?" Dr. Kheirandish asked if there were anything that the Senate or faculty could do to help reverse the trend of major budget cuts coming from the system. Dr. Hynes recommended that the faculty concentrate on increasing enrollment.

B. Provost's Report

Dr. Demmitt reported that the university would probably have a small decline in enrollment/budget next year, but not as bad as previously. Dr. Demmitt said that he was hopeful that there would be an increase in summer enrollments, which would help a lot. He added that the faculty can help by supporting recruitment and retention efforts. Other question addressed a possible civility workshop for the university community, and issues of graduate course enrollment.

III. Reports of Special Committees

IV. Special Orders

A. Election of Officers, Welcome of New Senators and Recognition of Outgoing Senators.  
Dr. Gooden welcomed the new Senate members who were present, and explained the process for voting for new officers..

Nominations were opened. Dr. Gooden accepted a nomination by Dr. Musolf for the office of chair. For Vice-Chair. Dr. Pratt Russell accepted a nomination by Dr. Gooden for the office of Vice-Chair. Dr. Shaw accepted a nomination by Dr. Gooden for the office of

Secretary. The votes were tallied by Dr. Walley-Jean and Dr. Kemp. Voting was unanimous for the candidates (15).

V. Unfinished Business and General Orders

VI. New Business

- A. Resolution of Appreciation to Governor for Veto of Concealed-Carry Bill—Dr. Kemp moved to approve. Dr. Rahman seconded. The language of the resolution was as follows: “It is resolved that the Faculty Senate of Clayton State University expresses its appreciation of the decision by Governor Nathan Deal to veto the HB 859 “campus carry” legislation.” The motion was unanimously approved.
- B. Guest Speaker: Todd Smith, Director of Campus Bookstores. Dr. Smith spoke about the efforts to save students money through the PriceLoch system, and showed the Senate how the system works. He mentioned that for students, the aggregate savings over digital rate were 39%. For standard list price, the savings were 64%. He also said that this year, the bookstore’s average textbook price has dropped by over 7%. Senate members had various questions about the possibility of integrating a homework management system, and the mechanics of integrating PriceLoch with D2L.

VII. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 12:00 p.m.