

MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF FACULTY SENATES—MAFS

Minutes of the October 5 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Jeanie Crain at 8:45 a.m. in Room 400 of the Truman building.

Members and guests for the meeting of October 5 were: Bob Yates (CMSU), Thomas Plymate (SMSU), Lois Shufeldt (SMSU), Paul Teverow (MoSo), Jeanie Crain (MoWest), Candy Young (TSU), Catherine Parke (MU), Yvonne Johnson (CMSU), Bryce Jones (TSU), Kathleen Schweitzberger (UMKC), Randall Smith (TSU), Rick Althaus (SEMSU), Peggy Placier (MU), Craig Roberts (SEMSU), Giulio Venezian (SEMSU), Laura Widmer (NWMSU), Roger Chelf (MoSo), Quinton Davis (Harris-Stowe), Kurt Debord (Lincoln), David Gruber (TSU).

Lois Shufeldt (Acting Secretary of MAFS) called the roll.

School representatives provided senate or council reports. Written copies were provided by SMSU, SEMO, Lincoln, MoSo., and TSU. Reports posted on the web include those from Harris-Stowe, Lincoln, NWMS, UMC, and UMKC.

Joe Martin, Associate commissioner for Fiscal Affairs, discussed the “Budget Process,” emphasizing the tight State budget, which necessitated a 13% holdback in higher education this year. He reported that for FY2003, State revenue is expected to grow about 3% or about \$180 million; of that, higher education is requesting \$166 million.

Frank Veeman provided a CBHE Liaison update; a handout is attached. Alan Hahn, on behalf of David Gruber, provided the AAUP Liaison update. The status of the bill to add faculty members to state governing boards was discussed; the need for assistance for lobbying was stressed. The institutional budget processes and faculty involvement was presented by a representative of each school present.

During lunch, Susie Dahl and Karen Stohlgren of MOSERS presented information about a Regional College Retirement Plan (RCRP). A handout was distributed and is attached.

Next, the minutes of the February 5,6 meeting were approved with the following changes:

Add Bob Yates (CMSU) to the list of members and guests in attendance.

Specify that Northwest Missouri State University submitted their report online.

Lois Shufeldt provided the Treasurer’s Report, noting the current balance of \$3332.65.

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Since there was no old business, new business was conducted. Bob Yates made a motion to delete “certified” from the second line of the Constitution, Article IX, Section 2 of the second sentence. The motion was seconded by Laura Widmer. Voting is to be done by e-mail within 30 days.

The following persons were elected or appointed to the indicated positions:

Paula Kemp (SMSU), President-Elect
Ruthi Sturdevant (Lincoln), Secretary
Roger Chelf (MoSo), Member at Large
Advisory Council, made up of the last four Presidents, excluding the last one

Standing Committee Chairs:

Craig Roberts (SEMSU), Academic Programs
Rick Althaus (SEMSU), External Relations and Legislation
Laura Widner (NWMSU), Governance
Randy Smith (TSU), Faculty Status/Personnel Policies
Roger Chelf (MoSo), Transfer and Articulation

The next meeting will be held February 4 and 5 in conjunction with Lobby Day. The Executive Committee will consider changes in requirements for committee chairs and will present a proposal at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.