Minutes from the WVSU General Faculty Meeting on Tuesday, August 8, 2017
Wallace Hall Auditorium, 10:15 a.m.

1. Rich Ford called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. (The previous meetings ran over by 20 minutes.)

2. Rich Ford invited additions to the agenda. None were offered.

3. Tom Guetzloff moved and Lyndsey Good 2nd the approval of the agenda. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. Tom Guetzloff moved and Barbara Ladner 2nd to approve minutes. The motion carried by voice vote.

5. Several remembrances were offered of members of the WVSU Faculty and community who had passed away.

6. Amy Postalwait, Director of Sponsored Programs, addressed the faculty to discuss Sponsored Programs. The Office of Sponsored Programs helps with external funding grants and cultural events. To find them, go to the WVSU home page research tab, Office of Sponsored Programs. OSP contacts are Amy Postalwait and Shannon Skiles. The website has forms for grant research and cultural activity funding. The sooner a faculty member reaches out the better. OSP is there to help with brainstorming, seeking funding, and applying for funding. Work on grant guidelines and a policy manual is in its final stages. The OSP is adjusting the internal process to better communicate with faculty and students. Changes: more communication as things are finalized, a campus-wide email called “PIVOT,” and a funding search software to help with grant opportunities from private foundations and federal funding. This semester is a trial to see if helpful. The OSP will also offer grant writing workshops for faculty, staff, students. Please reach out to them for help. If you submitted a peer grant, the committee has not met but will before the end of August.

7. The AY 2017 – 2018 FPC calendar was confirmed as correct.

8. Tim Alderman stated that over $2000 was deducted from his salary and suggested all look at their W-2 forms. Melvin Jones and Kumara Jayasuriya were asked the cause, but they didn’t know. It may have been a computer glitch.

9. Vice-Chair of the Faculty Senate, Jessica Barnes-Pietruszynski, oversaw the elections for at-large positions on Faculty Senate Committees. The results of the vote tabulation from later that day can be found on the “Senate Standing Committee List for 2017-2018” at http://www.wvstateu.edu/Faculty-Staff/Faculty-Resources.aspx

10. Tim Runke suggested that for AY 2018-2019 the committee meetings be scheduled after the college elections. The committees meet before their rosters are set. The faculty told Tim to tell Scott Woodard.

11. Rich Ford encourages the faculty to become donors to the WVSU Foundation. Tim Runke reminds the faculty that outside donors often ask what percentage of the faculty are donors as they determine what to give.

The WVSU General Faculty Meeting adjourned at 11: 20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Dirk Johnson, Secretary of the Faculty Senate