West Virginia State University Faculty Senate
meeting of March 1, 2019, 1:30 pm, Hamblin Hall Auditorium

draft agenda

approve agenda
approve minutes of February 1, 2019
announcements

reminder of active shooter response seminar(s) Thursday, March 14, 12:30 pm in Wallace 122
an on-line suggestion "box": Dr. Jessica Barnes-Pietruszynski

Any way we could get a print copy of the Staff and Faculty Directory? The last printing was March 2016. Campus-wide, the directory is out of date.

President Jenkins .... unable to attend
status of legislation about concealed carry on campuses
status of legislation about WVSU's R+D match
How can we be more organized about policies at WVSU?
What policies are lacking, unclear, outdated, etc.?

   Let's re-affirm that Faculty should be full partners at every step in creation of policies that affect academics.

   Ex., use of indirect monies from grants, purchasing authorization, academic dishonesty, tuition coverage for employees and families, ....

   policy about getting paid for grants. Does R+D hold 100% of faculty time? May not researchers use grant money to pay themselves for summer work, off-the-clock work?

Library

Dr. Scott Woodard, Academic Affairs (Dr. Jayasuriya is unable to attend)

What are the status of and plans for analysis and use of data from faculty annual evaluations?
What can Faculty Senate tell Academic Affairs about "Student Evaluations", which are set to be done all on-line starting Fall 2019?

status of administrative withdrawal

On February 28, Faculty were notified that the Administration wants us to report all grades, not just D/F grades. By March 1. What's the rush? Why weren't Faculty involved in the decision about academics?

The WVSU Board of Governors has asked Academic Affairs to develop and recommend a better format for Program Review. Faculty are ready to participate.

A draft policy on academic dishonesty has been disseminated to Faculty. What does the Senate think?
Faculty Senate Standing Committee reports

Educational Policies Committee, Dr. Upali Karunathilake, Chair
Advisory Council of Faculty, Dr. Barbara Ladner, WVSU Representative
Board of Governors, Dr. Frank Vaughan, Faculty Representative
Academic Appeals Committee, Mr. Michael Kane, Chair
Research and Faculty Development Committee, Dr. Gerald Hankins, Chair

With respect to the Cultural Activities and Educational Assemblies Committee, what is the status of language in the Senate Constitution and By-laws? What is the status of shared governance on cultural activities and educational assemblies?

What is the faculty status of deans, with respect to shared governance? Specifically, do deans represent faculty?

The Board of Governors asked if we would recommend changes to the Program Review format.

The Board of Governors asked if we would make specific recommendations about other things. Let's develop a short list of specific, practical, useful, do-able suggestions. Executive Committee's suggestions:

1. improve the format for program review
2. ask BOG to appoint a member (in addition to Dr. Vaughan) to attend Faculty Senate meetings
3. recommend BOG ask President Jenkins to appoint a chair for the WVSU Research and Development Corporation Board of Directors who is not an employee of R+D.

At the February 1, 2019 meeting, Dr. Underdue Murph offered to share enrollment data with Senate on a regular basis. How often shall we ask her to do that? Specifically, what data would we like to learn?

Executive Committee suggests that we ask the VP for Enrollment Management to share enrollment data and analysis at the first Senate meeting after the 30-day enrollment data are available.

There are concerns that holds on students' records affect their registration: Ms. Katie McDilda