Minutes of the USAO Faculty Association
January 11th, 2011

Members in Attendance:
Breerwood, Steve; Brickman, Sharon; Bruce, John; Casey, J.C.; Chan-Yu-King, Roch; Crow, Kevin; Daniel, Cylathia; Davis, Katie; Dorman, Frank; Ferguson, Vicki; Ferrell, Wendi; Guzik, Erik; Hanson, Jan; Hector, Nancy; Hester, Lee; Johnson, John; Kandeh, Stephen; Kao, Shwayi; Karjala, Aleisha; Kelley, Sean; Knapp, Jacquelyn; Lamar, Kent; Long, Jennifer; Loutsch, Jeannette; Mather, Jeanne; McElroy, Linda; Miller, John; Osborn, Nancy; Oxenford, Leah; Rees, Shelley; Reigh, Darryel; Rodgers, Meagan; Simpson, Zachary; Thomas, Peter; Thrift, Layne; Walker, Christopher; Warden, Nancy; Willis, Ray

Members Absent:
Bellemain, Annick; Bohannon, Kenneth; Brawner, Judy; Brown, Brenda; Brown, Kelly; Brown, Steven; Elder, Craig; Gower, Donna; Hanson, Dan; Holland, Diane; MacDonald, Sean; McCoy, Linda; Metcalf, Vinson; Newbrough, Robert; Rickman, Melissa; Sherman, Jason; Tan, Richard; Vliet, Marcia; Weber, Stephen;

I. Called to order by JC Casey at 11:06 am

II. Approval of Minutes
   a. Minutes of the December 7th, 2010 meeting were emailed to the Faculty listserv.
   b. A motion to accept the corrected minutes was made by Daniel and seconded by Johnson. Motion passed to accept the minutes

III. Financial Report
   a. $712.71 in the account
   b. Need to pay the bill for the plaques for graduating seniors
   c. Please pay your dues.

IV. Committee Reports
   a. Tenure/Promotion – Met and are working on documents
   b. Curriculum – Knapp reports that they met and have several proposals to present.
      i. Philosophy and Religion minor – motion to accept minor by Karjala and seconded by Long; 35 For; 0 oppose and 1 Abstain
      ii. Sociology to change to BS – Motion to accept by Karjala and seconded by Simpson; 32 For; 0 oppose; 4 Abstain
      iii. Changes to the Drama program – to reflect current teaching and methodology of a theater program. Motion to accept changes by Daniel and seconded by Knapp; 25 For; 6 oppose; 5 Abstain
   c. Handbook – JC Casey reported that they are meeting next week and the changes will be made as a group – should be ready for March Meeting with voting in April.
   d. Resources – not met yet
   e. IDS – Meeting on Thursday to discuss some topics. There will be a survey of faculty in the near future on Computer Science, Minor in Liberal Arts for Associate of Arts students, working thru suggestions made at the beginning of the year
   f. Cultural – no movement
   g. Matriculation – Done for now
V. Old Business
   a. On-Line Course Evaluations – withdrawn students are allowed to comment, need additional work on the team teaching evaluations -- Email Gina with any concerns that you have
   b. Questions for Mike Coponiti – off the table for now
   c. Administrative Council – JC Casey will post notes from the meeting
   d. FARC – later in the month

VI. New Business
   a. None brought up

VII. Announcements
   a. Officially announced retirements: Miller, Dorman, Kao, Brinkman
   b. Emerson-Weir Symposium – March 31st with Pep Rally on March 28th.
   c. Adam in the print shop has a seating chart for the amphitheater.
   d. Several art shows – Sophomores on the 3rd floor and “Faces” in the art gallery

VIII. Motion made to adjourn by Knapp and seconded by Lamar. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted

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