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**Governors State University**  
**Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**Minutes May 17, 2007**

**Senators (Present = X):**

<u>    </u> E. Alozie	<u>  X  </u> T. Kelly	<u>  X  </u> W. Rudloff
<u>  X  </u> P. Blobaum	<u>  X  </u> J. Klomes	<u>    </u> A. Sanders
<u>    </u> M. Clark	<u>    </u> J. Lingamneni	<u>  X  </u> J. Simon
<u>    </u> K. Chung	<u>  X  </u> G. Lyon	<u>  X  </u> C. Tymkow
<u>    </u> D. Diers	<u>    </u> Z. Malik	<u>  X  </u> B. Wilson
<u>  X  </u> E. Essex	<u>  X  </u> C. Mietlicki	<u>    </u> B. Winicki
<u>    </u> H. Heino	<u>    </u> R. Muhammad	<u>    </u> J. Zhao
<u>  X  </u> M. Kasik	<u>    </u> L. Proudfit	

**Guests:** Peggy Woodard, Colleen Rock-Cawthon, Sherilyn W. Poole, Lisa Hendrickson

We began at 1:10 p.m. There was not a quorum at that time, although a quorum arrived shortly afterward. Lyon called the meeting to order.

**1. (Interim) Provost's Report**

Senate congratulated Peggy Woodard on her appointment. She talked about the transition phase. The new President Maimon was here when Woodard went through the interview process, and they had conversations at that time; about 7 items were talked about. Woodard reports that President Maimon is "approachable, practical, and down to earth." Woodard also met with "Gub," the new Executive Vice President that Maimon is bringing with her. He is from Ethiopia. All non-academic areas will report to him. He will start June 1, 2007. President Maimon will start July 1, 2007. Woodard will be over academic affairs, whereas Gub will be over non-academic affairs. Both will report to Maimon. A national search will be conducted for Provost, using a search firm. The soonest we can expect a Provost will be January; more likely it will take a year. Woodard will appoint someone to do HER former job within the next week.

**2. Committee Reports**

**University Curriculum Committee (Muhammad)**

no report

**Academic Program Review Committee (APRC) (Winicki)**

no report

**UAC/IBHE (Wojcik)**

Wojcik attended the Higher learning Commission/NCA annual meeting in April. Today she is attending the FAC meeting at Kankakee Community College.

### **Educational Policies Committee (Tymkow)**

**Policy 5** (on grievances)—ready for vote (no quorum at that time, so we continued with the discussion). Policy 5 includes purpose and scope. Some of the changes that were made: The revised policy re-titled some of the headings; changed language to say “when the college” is in session instead of “colleges” because “colleges” are not all in session at the same time; other changes are in the composition of the committee members as tenured faculty. A motion was made and seconded, but in the discussion, a senator raised some questions which resulted in a new discussion leading to a new recommendation for the re-phrasing of the “Student Grievance Policy and Procedures” document, Article III, subsection 4, item c. The change: “In the event that there are not four tenured faculty members available from the college, then tenured faculty from another college may be selected.”

At 1:34 a quorum arrived. Policy 5, was approved, as amended with the sentence above added.

### **Bargaining Unit (Katz)**

no report

### **Executive Committee (Lyon)**

Transition team is meeting with President Maimon. Safety will be a priority.

### **3. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes were approved with minor corrections to be made.

### **4. Old Business**

- IRB approval has been given for Senate survey. Lyon sent our questions to Luke Helm to put on Survey Monkey. It should be available online soon and remain viable through some time in July. Lyon will send faculty the link. Rock-Cawthon offered the Provost’s office to pick up postage if Senate wanted to send a hard copy letter informing faculty to check the link over the summer months when they may not be checking email.
- CAS runoff votes not yet tallied. Kasik and Heino were confirmed.

### **5. New Business**

- **Sherilyn Poole—Division of Student Affairs and Academic Support**  
Poole gave Senate an organizational chart of how students interface with the university in diverse ways. This chart will be very useful in helping people understand the various groups and services available for students.
- **Colleen Rock-Cawthon**  
**Master Plan Review Group**

Many ideas were shared. One thought was for faculty to have offices in hotels or share offices. This idea was turned down. It was felt that faculty need to have their offices "on site," and by themselves so that they can have their own library. The new president thought to make this a priority item.

- **Paul Blobaum—Office of Sponsored Research Search**

Upper level searches are slowed down right now. Mary Watson is leaving June 29. Blobaum is chair of search committee. There are 4 or 5 candidates who qualified for the initial screening. We possibly may have a person by September.

**Next Senate Meeting is June 21, 2007**

Lyon will be in China. Kasik will chair the meeting

**Adjournment**

The meeting was dismissed at 2:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted  
Connie Mietlicki, Ph.D.

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