

Minutes
Faculty Assembly Executive Council Meeting
Monday, April 4, 2016
FH 115, 3:30pm

I. Call to order

Joseph Velasco called the meeting to order at 3:49 pm.

Present: Theron Francis, Eric Funasaki, and Joseph Velasco.

Absent: Kathy Stein, Bonnie Warnock, Scott Wassermann, and Mazie Will.

II. Approval of Minutes (2/29/2016)

No quorum, will be discussed and voted on at the next meeting.

III. President's report

A. Course Evaluations

Spring 2016 course evaluations will begin on April 9. Ten faculty members responded to the survey on best practices for soliciting student participation on course evaluations. Joseph Velasco plans to send out an e-mail on ways to improve student participation based on this survey.

B. University Budget

Sul Ross is in the process of generating next year's budget. Funds will be tight as Dr. Kibler wants to have a balanced budget starting Fall 2016 because financial viability of an institution is important to SACS.

C. Faculty and Staff Raises

The balanced budget will have no effect on raises.

D. Man and Woman of the Year

There has not been much response from the faculty.

E. Search for VP of Enrollment Management

This is an ongoing search. Currently, there is no timeline for filling this position.

F. Search for Director of Residential Living

Mark Chaszar left two weeks ago and the interim director is Brandy Synder. Not sure when a search for this position will be conducted.

G. Outstanding Teaching Award

The Faculty Assembly nominees are Avram Dumitrescu, Chris Estep, and Scott Wassermann. Joseph Velasco has sent these names to the Provost's Office. Jay Downing is chairing the selection committee.

H. Academic Excellence in Coaching Award

There has been no response from either SGA or SAAC.

I. Termination and Grievance Policies

TSUS has sent out the new faculty grievance policy. Dr. Case has adapted this policy for Sul Ross and will be presenting this new Sul Ross faculty grievance policy to the Executive Cabinet.

IV. Vice-President's report

Joseph Velasco presented the list of Committee and Council openings for the 2016-17 academic year that was prepared by Kathy Stein. The list contained individuals nominated for an opening, but some openings were unfilled. The Executive Council worked on nominating individuals for the unfilled openings.

V. Secretary/Treasurer's report

VI. Parliamentarian's report

VII. Old business

- A. Faculty Assembly donation in memory of Josef Schlosser
- B. Faculty Evaluations

VIII. New business

IX. Announcements

X. Adjourn

Theron Francis moved to adjourn and Eric Funasaki seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 pm.