

**-APPROVED-**

**Academic Council Minutes**

**Gold Room – Bibb Graves Hall**

**November 4, 2009**

Present:

Dr. Rebecca Turner, Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs  
Mr. Vinson Houston, Acting Vice President for Information Technology  
Dr. Joe Delap, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Ms. Misty Cobb for Dr. Frank King, Associate Vice President for Distance Education  
Dr. Tim King, AVPEMSA  
Dean Earl Wade for Dean Bill Carr, College of Graduate Studies & Continuing Educ.  
Dean Bill Fielding, College of Commerce & Business Administration  
Dean John-Bauer Graham, Library Services  
Dean John Hammett, College of Education and Professional Studies  
Dean Sarah Latham, College of Nursing and Health Sciences  
Dean Earl Wade, College of Arts and Sciences  
Dr. Louise Clark, Assoc. Dean, College of Commerce & Business Administration  
Ms. Kelly Osterbind, Registrar  
Ms. Patty Hobbs, Director, Public Relations  
Mr. Greg Bonds, Assistant Director, Athletics, Compliance  
Dr. Dan Krejci, Faculty Senate President  
Mr. Bryant Whaley, SGA President

Absent:

Mr. Don Killingsworth, Director of Government Relations  
Dr. Jay Ketterer, Director, International House and Programs  
Dr. Alicia Simmons, Director, Institutional Research and Assessment  
Mr. Joe Whitmore, Director, Institutional Support Services

Old Business:

1. Minutes of the October 7, 2009 meeting were approved as submitted.
2. JSU Registrar Kelly Osterbind provided an approved copy of the summer terms with new names. Summer schedules may now be loaded.

New Business

1. Dr. Krejci reported on the following Faculty Senate issues:
  - a) Faculty Senate will host Board of Trustee members again in March.

- b) Faculty Senate has requested an update from the Deans on the tenure and promotion policy.
- c) An update on the status of the policy on pay increases for promotions in academic status was also requested of the Deans.
- d) The rank of distinguished professor is being worked on.
- e) Faculty Senate has received a recommendation that the position of distinguished instructor be established.
- f) Book voucher issues have not yet been resolved. Students are reporting to faculty members that vouchers are only valid in the bookstore on campus. That bookstore frequently runs out of copies, creating a problem in need of a solution. FS recommends that students be allowed to use vouchers in any bookstore and that vouchers be distributed in summer in addition to other semesters. This recommendation was approved and is to be submitted to Administrative Council.
- g) Included is a handout of the presentation from the BOT visit to FS.
- h) A status update was requested regarding full-tuition waivers for faculty for unlimited hours. This issue is to be taken up by Administrative Council.

2. Mr. Whaley reported from the SGA that the student activity fee did not pass (with 19% of eligible students voting). Haunted Hall in the Cafeteria was a success. Coffee House "Open Mike" night is on 11/11. Preview Day is coming up on Saturday. Greek Council officer elections are also coming soon. JSU in Lights ceremony is on November 30, with a toy drive connected to that event. An ice-skating rink is planned for Leone Cole this winter. An SGA conference will be held on campus. A Spring 2010 election interest meeting is planned. HEP is trying to bring gubernatorial candidates onto campus for a debate.

3. Dr. Turner and Dr. Delap presented a handout describing incentives for participation in courses delivered via ACCESS. Dr. Hammett noted the need for FCS courses delivered in this way. Ms. Cobb noted the need for languages and other courses.

4. Dr. Turner reported that the DSc and MFA degrees are in their final phase of submission to ACHE.

5. Dr. Turner provided a recommendation from the Faculty Honors Committee that Faculty Emeritus status be awarded to Tracy Tyler. The recommendation was approved and forwarded to the president.

6. Dr. Turner provided an update on Administrative Council recommendations to the president.

### Announcements

Dr. Tim King reminded everyone of upcoming Preview Day on November 14.

Mr. Houston thanked Drs. Hammett, Latham and Wade for their assistance in identifying Web Managers for their colleges. Training classes are ongoing. Content will need to be migrated by February to meet grant deadlines.

Ms. Cobb announced that Carey Smouse was hired to take up Ms. Cobb's former responsibilities.

Ms. Hobbs invited everyone to a Print Shop open house on November 19. The print-on-demand service will be showcased.

Dr. Turner announced that Tutoring Services had a good program review. A workflow management program is being installed with Mr. Houston's kind assistance.

Respectfully submitted by Joe Delap, AVPAA