

**Approved
Academic Council Minutes
Gold Room – Bibb Graves Hall
November 3, 2010**

Present:

Dr. Rebecca Turner, Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs
Dr. Tim King, AVPEMSA
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. Patty Hobbs, Director, Public Relations
Mr. Joe Whitmore, Director, Institutional Support Services
Ms. Kelly Osterbind, Registrar
Mr. Greg Bonds, Associate Athletic Director, Internal Affairs
Dr. Paul Beezley, Faculty Senate President
Dr. Alicia Simmons, Director, Institutional Research and Assessment
Ms. Carey Smouse, for Dr. Frank King
Ms. Belinda Blackburn, for Dr. Carr
Mr. Johnathan Beason , SGA VP Student Activities

Absent:

Mr. Vinson Houston, Acting Vice President for Information Technology
Dr. Joe Delap, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Frank King, Associate Vice President for Distance Education
Dean Bill Carr, College of Graduate Studies & Continuing Education
Dean Bill Fielding, College of Commerce & Business Administration
Mr. Don Killingsworth, Director of Government Relations

Special Guests: Tim Garner, Chris Newsom and Graham Lewis showed AC the new JSU website. They said the site is more modern and collegiate with an increased font size. They showed a video of Dr. Meehan welcoming students to the online orientation and they also showed an entertaining video that highlighted our new home page.

Special Guest: Patty Hobbs provided information on the online publication Red & White. Ms. Hobbs also played an entertaining video on the selection of the faculty expert ticket winner.

Old Business:

1. Minutes of the September 1, 2010 meeting were approved as submitted.
2. The approved Calendar was provided with information on the modification of summer from the previous calendar presented to the AC.

New Business

1. Dr. Beezley, Faculty Senate President, asked if we could have a definite time for advising so that students are motivated to get registered in a timely fashion. He also asked if Blackboard

could change the time of the scheduled update so that faculty would have time to load classes. He suggested the week between the end of classes and graduation in the Spring term.

Ms. Smouse will look into the possibility.

2. SGA reported that there will be three November events including a pot luck on the 16th for students not going home for Thanksgiving and JSU in lights on the 29th

3. Emeriti Nominations were submitted from both last year and this year. They include Dr. Thomas Baucom, A&S, Dr. Rita Boyston, CEPS, Dr. Frank Fuller, CBA, Mr. Floyd Kirby, CBA, Dr. Judy McCrary, CEPS, Dr. Wayne Claeren, A&S, Dr. Rodney Friery, A&S. All were approved. Emeriti are honored at the December graduation.

4. Modification to Liberal Studies Program was proposed by Dr. Wade. The program will be 120 semester hours a reduction of 8 semester hours. He said we needed the program to be competitive online. The program is different from the current Liberal Studies because it does not require all A&S classes so it will have a broader application. Dr. Gordon Harvey is the adviser for the program.

5. Dr. Turner and Dr. Simmons told the council about the General Education Learning Outcomes. They will establish a pathway to reaffirmation by SACS. A working group will be established with support from Dr. Simmons and Dr. Turner.

6. A power point hand out on Assessment was provided. The handout will help educate all the departments across campus and was already piloted by Dr. Wade with the A&S dept heads.

Announcements

John Graham told us that the Library will have poet Beth Ann Finley speak on Tuesday at 7 pm. He also told us that the library is receiving positive feedback for Digitizing of the yearbooks. The library will Pilot extended hours next Spring during finals week.

Dr. Turner reminded everyone of the Immigration training meeting for the administrators, And that our Online MSN was rated #3 Best Buy by Get Educated.com.

Kelly- stated that registration opened today for graduate students, that graduation application are currently at 507 UG and 204 Gr for a 711 total.

The schedule for Fall and Summer is open for secretaries to load until January 31 and will open to view the following day.

We will be sending out the catalogue this week by email and hope to have it back the second week in January

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Osterbind