

Minutes of the
Faculty Senate Meeting
Friday, 5 October, 2001
Student Center 214, 3:00pm

Members present: Senators Bradie, Broschious, Catanzaro, Keeling, Marshall, Mazzarella, Purtle, Siochi, Wymer.

Members absent: Senators Game, Kidd, Schell, Underwood, Weiss, Winder.

Also present: Associate Provost Anne Perkins, Dr. Deborah Mullen, SGA representative Jeremia Davis.

- I. Call to order: President Siochi called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.
- II. Minutes for September 21, 2001 will be available at the October 19 Senate meeting.

Faculty Senate President Siochi requested to suspend Senate business to allow Associate Provost Anne Perkins to speak with the Faculty Senate. No Objections.

- A. Associate Provost Perkins wants to get acquainted the faculty at CNU. She has started having lunch with faculty and would like to continue.
- B. Associate Provost Perkins talked about her background. She graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Richmond with BA in History. Afterward she worked in the Admissions office and Registrar's office at the University of Richmond. While working she earned her Masters in History. While in Admissions office she started working with Student Athletes. She received an Ed.D. from The College of William and Mary in Higher Education with an emphasis in Academic Support Services in 1987. The Mississippi University For Women then hired her as the Registrar. In 1994 Provost Perkins was hired as the Associate Dean of the Jepson School in Leadership Studies at the University of Richmond. This is where she met President Tribble. She was hired at the beginning of the summer 2001 and has been at CNU since July 16, 2001.
- C. She sees her responsibilities as 1. Assisting the President and Provost in the work of the University. 2. Working with the President's Leadership Program, and 3. being an advocate for the faculty at CNU.
- D. She is impressed with Christopher Newport University and sees a bright future for the University.
- E. The Senate asked Associate Provost Perkins what issues she believes she will focus on in this academic year. She states she isn't sure and it may change as needed by the University but currently the issues she thinks she will focus on include; the General Education Programs and Curriculum Reform, the role of Faculty scholarship, and an interdisciplinary Freshman course that instills CNU core values.

The Senate thanked Provost Perkins for speaking openly with the Senate.

Associate Provost Perkins leaves at 4:00 p.m.

Faculty Senate President Siochi requested that the business of the Senate be restarted. No objections.

III. President's Report.

- A. Senator Siochi reported on the weekly meeting with President Tribble. Senator Siochi noted that the President is emphasizing academic quality and rigor at CNU.
- B. Senate Faculty Development Grant Committee members will be Senators Broschius, Keeling, and Mazzearella. They will have to evaluate Grants later this month and the Senate will report to the Provost by Nov. 19.
- C. Senator Siochi noted that the Deans were pleased with the discussion on terrorism by Drs. Cowell-Meyers, Mazzearella, Morgan, K. Rose and Sishagne.
- D. Senator Siochi noted that several long-term faculty will be retiring at the end of this year.

IV. Committee Reports.

- A. Senator Siochi appointed Senators Kidd, Game, Mazzearella, Underwood, and Dr. Mollick to the Amorous Relations Policy Committee.
- B. Members of the Senate Budget and Finance Committee will be Senators Schell and Winder.

V. Old Business.

- A. Senator Siochi tabled the discussion about the Senate response to administrative changes.
- B. Senator Siochi stated that the Senate will appoint an ad hoc committee to work with administration to establish a Faculty Club. Senator Keeling will chair the committee.
- C. Senate Agenda Formation - Senator Siochi suggested creating two committees.
 - 1. A Faculty Development Committee with a charge of recommending how the faculty can take a leadership role in supporting faculty teaching, research, governance/service and mentoring relationships with new faculty.
 - 2. A Faculty Life Committee with the charge of recommending how the faculty can improve the quality of life at CNU. How can our faculty improve our social and community life. How can we increase faculty satisfaction.
 - 3. Senator Siochi asked the Senate to think about these committees and to discuss them at next Faculty Senate meeting.

- VI. New Business.
 - A. Academic week restructuring - The Senate will receive information from Dean Summerville on the request to revise the academic week. This will be on the agenda next week.
- VII. Adjournment
Senator Purtle moved for adjournment, Senator Keeling seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Timothy R. Marshall
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