

Minutes of  
THE FACULTY SENATE  
OF  
ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

The organizational meeting of the 2001-02 Faculty Senate was held at twelve o'clock noon, Monday, August 20, 2001, in the Private Dining Room of Chambers Cafeteria. The following members were present:

Dr. Annette Holeyfield	Dr. Scott Kirkconnell
Dr. Paula Pendergrass	Dr. Scott Jordan
Dr. Alex Darkwah	Dr. Charles Busch
Dr. Theresa Herrick	Dr. Kevin Mason
Mr. Ray Wheeler	Dr. Richard Smith
Mr. Ron Robison	Ms. Peggy Lee
Dr. Ken Trantham	

Dr. David Bell and Dr. Steve Shry were absent. Dr. Robert C. Brown, President, Dr. Jack Hamm, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Dr. David Underwood, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, were visitors.

Dr. Brown welcomed the Senators back to campus and extended a welcome to Dr. Underwood as the new Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs. He reported that he and Dr. Pendergrass, chair, had recently had lunch and discussed a number of issues. As a result, he announced that he and Dr. Pendergrass would like to jointly invite the Senators to an informal luncheon and information session in September. An invitation with a date set will be forthcoming.

Dr. Hamm asked that the Senate let him know if his office can assist in any way during this academic year.

At this time, Dr. Brown, Dr. Hamm, and Dr. Underwood excused themselves from the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER  
APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES

Dr. Pendergrass, 2001-02 Chair, called the meeting to order and asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes of the May 8, 2001, meeting. There being none, the minutes stand as distributed. She then asked each senator to introduce themselves and welcomed Dr. Trantham from the School of Physical and Life Sciences as the newest member elected from this school due to an increase in total faculty. Dr. Pendergrass also welcomed Dr. Mason who had been appointed by the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dr. Kirkconnell who had been appointed by the President.

ELECTION OF  
OFFICERS

Dr. Pendergrass asked for nominations for the position of Chair Elect. Dr. Holeyfield nominated Dr. Bell and Mr. Wheeler nominated Dr. Darkwah. Dr. Smith moved for nominations to cease, seconded by Dr. Mason. Motion carried. Dr. Bell was elected to the position of Chair Elect.

Dr. Pendergrass then asked for nominations for the position of Secretary. Dr. Smith nominated Dr. Herrick. Dr. Holeyfield moved for nominations to cease and to elect Dr. Herrick by acclamation, seconded by Mr. Robison. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION OF TIE** Dr. Pendergrass reported that a tie between Dr. Randy Culp and Dr. Bob Allen for an at-large position on the Faculty Welfare Committee had resulted from the spring elections. As the Senate had been unable to resolve the tie during the May meeting, this item was once again before the Senate for resolution. Dr. Culp was elected to the Faculty Welfare Committee for the tenured, at-large position.

**OPEN FORUM** Dr. Pendergrass requested that the Senate consider having an open forum as part of their regular order of business to allow items not on the agenda to be discussed. She asked if a motion to this effect could be made. Motion by Dr. Busch, seconded by Dr. Trantham. After discussion, Dr. Smith moved to amend and stated that motions arising from open forum discussion will be delayed until the next meeting in order to allow time for additional consideration by the Senators; seconded by Dr. Holeyfield. Amendment carries. Motion for establishment of the open forum carries.

**REGULAR MEETING TIME AND PLACE** Following discussion, the regular meeting time for the fall semester was set for the second Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. Meetings will be held in Pendergraft 325. Dr. Pendergrass stated that the next regular meeting of the Senate would be in October as a luncheon with the President may be held in September.

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION** Dr. Pendergrass reminded the Senators that items for the agenda should be sent to her two weeks prior to the meeting so that the agenda may be distributed approximately 10 days before the meeting date.

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Dr. Paula Pendergrass, Chairperson, Faculty Senate, McEver 209  
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ADJOURNMENT      The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Herrick, Ph.D., Secretary