

RADFORD UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
BOARD OF VISITORS
August 22, 2007

MINUTES

Members Present:

Mr. Mark R. Pace, Acting Chair
Ms. Nancy E. Artis
Dr. Cora Salzberg

Others Present:

Penelope W. Kyle, President
Dr. Wilbur Stanton
Mr. Rob Tucker
Dr. James Lollar
Dr. Steve Lerch
Dr. Rick Slavings

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mark Pace, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:14 a.m, Wednesday, August 22, 2007 in the President's Board Room in Martin Hall.

FACULTY SENATE REPORT

Dr. James Lollar, President of the Faculty Senate, introduced the Faculty Senate Executive Committee; Dr. Niels Christensen, Vice President, Dr. Skip Thompson, Secretary, Dr. Betty Dore, At large, Dr. Isaac Van Patten, At Large. Dr. Lollar reported on some of the summer accomplishments of the Faculty Senate and outlined the 2007-08 academic year goals.

In collaboration with President Kyle and Provost Stanton, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee is committed to addressing the following: Salary Inversion and Compression; Workload Issues; Student Recruiting; General Education; Internal Governance; and the Strategic Plan (initiatives, goals, objectives, prioritizing).

Dr. Lollar stated that the Faculty Senate actively supports President Kyle's leadership in developing new RU program initiatives in OT/PT, Graduate and Professional Education, an extraordinary list of Capital projects, and continuing base budget enhancements.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Dr. Stanton, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, reported on the following updates:

- Pharm D. proposal has been resubmitted to SCHEV for review
- Doctorate of Physical Therapy proposal has been submitted to SCHEV for review
- Currently working on the proposal for the Masters of Occupational Therapy for submission to SCHEV
- Dean searches will begin this fall in the Colleges of Business and Economics, Graduate and Extended Education, Humanities and Behavioral Sciences, and Science and Technology

Mr. Mark Pace, Acting Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, made the motions that the following recommendations be approved. Dr. Cora Salzberg seconded and the motions carried. The recommendations will go forward to the Board of Visitors meeting on August 23, 2007.

- I. Recommendation to approve changes to sections 1.3.2, 1.3.2.1, 1.4.2, and 4.2.3.1 of the Teaching and Research Faculty Handbook
- II. Recommendation to approve changes to sections 4.2.3.3 and 4.2.3.4 of the Teaching and Research Faculty Handbook
- III. Recommendation to approve changes and additions to section 1.10 to the Administrative and Professional Faculty Handbook. Reference to these changes will be made in the Teaching and Research Faculty Handbook.

Mr. Pace made the motion to endorse the Strategic Plan and Dr. Salzberg seconded the motion and the motion carried. The motion will be taken to the Board of Visitors meeting on August 23, 2007.

- IV. Recommendation that Directives 1, 2, and 3 of the Strategic Plan be approved. These three directives contain goals pertinent to Academic Affairs.
- V. Recommendation that the Board of Visitors direct the Division of Academic Affairs to design a Core Curriculum within the parameters detailed in the first bullet under Strategic Directive 2; Goal 2.1, and that the revised core curriculum be in place for the freshman class that enters RU in fall 2008. Recommendation that the Board of Visitors receive updates on the progress of the implementation of the Core Curriculum Strategic Directive 2; Goal 2.1 at the remaining 2007-2008 Board meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 am.

Kathy Thompson,
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Academic Affairs Committee