Athens State University Faculty Senate Minutes

Charge: (As stated in Athens State University's 2009 *Employee Handbook*, Section 7.2, Faculty Constitution and by-Laws, Article XI: The Faculty Senate).

At a regular meeting of the Athens State University Faculty Senate, held in the Chapel of Founders Hall, on Tuesday, February 22, 2011, at 1:00, Dr. Mike Essary, Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Sean Busick, Prentice Chandler, Kevin Dupre, Mike Essary, Bonnie Heatherly, Marion Madison, Nate Mitchell, Bebe Shaw, Gary Valcana, Debbie Vaughn, George Williams (11/12 Quorum).

Members Absent: LaDoris Baugh

With no corrections/additions to the minutes from the previous meeting, the record shows them approved as stated. Motion carried (Mitchell/Heatherly).

The committees then submitted the following reports:

Academic Affairs: Calendar was presented to the senate. Mitchell moved the senate accept the calendar as presented and move it forward to the faculty for its vote. Motion carried (Mitchell/Valcana).

Curriculum Committee: Minutes on Bb.

Sabbatical: No change.

Faculty Affairs: Minutes on Bb.

Learning Resources: Dr. Glenn continues to be very interested in pursuing a Learning Commons.

Election Committee: Senators have been elected for 2011-2012 and requests for nominations for p.o. have been made.

Old Business: n/a

New Business: \$1000 awards each annually for both Teaching Excellence and Distinguished Research Awards to be awarded by Administrative Council were discussed. (See attachment). Heatherly moved that faculty senate accept the award process as presented, reserving the right to amend as needed. Motion carried (Heatherly/Chandler).

Also, Jess Brown has asked that faculty strongly consider joining the Sick Leave Bank.

There being no additional comments or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00. Motion carried (Williams/Mitchell).

Respectfully submitted, Bebe Gish Shaw, Secretary