

Minutes of the Wednesday, October 3, 2018, Stated Meeting of the East Georgia State College Faculty Senate

The EGSC Faculty Senate (FS) met in the Conference room on the Statesboro Campus with a Polycom connection to Augusta. FS President Dr. Walt Mason called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

In attendance were FS President Dr. Walt Mason, senators Ray Hayes, Bob Marsh, Drs. Armond Boudreaux, Ren Denton, and Mark Hovind. Dr. Martiana Segal was present via Polycom.

Committee Reports:

Survey: Faculty responded to the survey: too long. Dr. Mason is going to establish communication with Dr. Boehmer about collaborating with faculty needs about orientation.

Dr. Boudreaux is going to get link out so that we can view the survey results; Dr. Mason needs to communicate to straighten out misunderstanding the survey caused when protocol was accidentally broken due to an oversight.

Discussed the reading proposal status: The Faculty Senate does not have the jurisdiction to propose courses; they can make recommendations based on the curriculum or skill problems faculty have observed and stated to the FS. The proposal has been tabled, waiting on the QEP selection. If the QEP does not select reading as its focus plan, the president of FS should contact the appropriate dean and, possibly, director of the FYE to recommend a reading course to address the reading crisis on campus if FS wants to pursue the possibility of such a course being offered.

Unfinished Business:

MSA the Faculty Evaluations pending changes: Recommend to add a place to list strengths to balance the evaluation

Faculty are concerned about the accelerated pacing of the 8-week course: It seems that those in learning support are struggling with the pacing. If this is the case, could these courses be linked to Honor's Course link to LEAD Correll Scholars and Learning Aboard? MSA for Walt to communicate with Dr. Boehmer that there is faculty interest in creating an honors program—a survey may could be established to collect official data if an Honor's program could be established. Dr. Boudreaux is willing to do the research about similar institutions' experience with honor's programs and how such a program would fit into the EGSC mission, in the event such research is needed to make initial inquiry.

New Business:

Changes for overload pay. Faculty was pleased with the change with summer contracts and how the pay was based on average attendance.

College 2025: Faculty are concerned about rumors concerning punitive measures being made for high DFWI rates. What can be done to make sure that the focus remains on teaching quality and high classroom standards rather than pass rate numbers?

Next Meeting November 7 at 4:30