

Faculty Senate Meeting

Date: April 4, 2023 **Time:** 11:00a.m. **Venue:** Virtual

Members present: Dr. Chetara Epps, Dr. Teresa Banks, Dr. Candace Carter-Stevens, Ms. Latonzia Evans, Dr. Shelly Garlotte, Dr. Zainul Abedin, Dr. Julius Ikenga, Mr. Daniel Splaingard, and Dr. Mary Shephard

The following items were discussed and voted on:

- I. Dr. Epps called the meeting to order at 11:00am.
- II. Faculty parking- Dr. Epps and Dr. Carter-Stevens discuss the parking spaces designated for each building. Currently, all signs have been placed for the Math Department and only two for Elementary Education. Dr. Banks stated that the Education Department needs at least ten signs. Dr. Ikenga stated that Science needs a few signs, also.
- III. Faculty Handbook- Dr. Epps discussed the link to access the Faculty Handbook for edits and updates. The Math faculty had questions after reading the handbook regarding part-time faculty where there is nothing provided about those faculty members. One concern was the number of office hours part-time faculty should provide. It was asked that the Senate vote on five hours for part-time faculty. Members agreed.
- IV. Faculty will have until April 28, 2023, by the close of business to provide any input to the Faculty Handbook.
- V. Faculty Emeritus Status- Dr. Carter-Stevens asked if the Senate would consider having faculty emeritus status for retired faculty; this was a request from the MCIS Department. Dr. Carter-Stevens and Dr. Epps provided clarity to members who were unsure what this status entails.
- VI. Motions- Dr. Epps requested a motion to approve the five-hour office hours for part-time faculty and Faculty Emeritus status. Members agreed. Dr. Carter-Stevens motioned to approve, and Dr. Abedin seconded.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 11:41am