

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2017

11:05 am. Meeting-Minutes from Meeting

In attendance: **Dr. Moses Newsome** (at large), **Ms. Shannon Bowden** (at large), **Dr. Rochelle Cobbs** (Criminal Justice), **Mr. Tadesse Mengistu** (at large), **Dr. Lyn Kuntson** (English & Foreign Language), **Dr. John Bradford** (Social Science), **Dr. Micah Rueber** (at large), **Dr. Stacy White** (MCIS), **Mrs. Tasmine Moore** (Library), **Dr. Edward Morse** (Fine Arts), **Dr. Alfred Boyd** (Education) and **Dr. Benedict Atakpu** (HPER)

- Meeting started at 11:05 am
- **Adoption of the agenda**
 - Dr. Newsome called the meeting to order. A quorum was established and business was transacted.
 - Dr. Rueber- moved to adopt the agenda.
 - Ms. Shannon Bowden seconded the adoption of the agenda.
 - The Agenda was approved.
- **Review of Minutes**
 - September 5th minutes were reviewed by entire faculty senate.
 - Ms. Bowden motioned that the minutes to be approved.
 - Dr. Stacy White seconded the motion.
 - The Minutes of September 5th were approved as read.
- **Criteria Questions and Responses for Presidential Search Options**
 - Dr. Newsome opened up the floor for discussion on departmental responses for questions to be submitted to Dr. Briggs regarding his candidacy for president of MVSU.
 - Dr. Newsome also stated that only one question was received.
 - Question (How does Dr. Briggs plan to deal with the Ayers funding?)
 - There were concerns and questions on the purpose and the proposed timeframe of faculty senate letter in support of Dr. Briggs.
 - Questions:
 - Can Dr. Briggs hold a public forum to speak to the entire faculty?
 - Answers:
 - Dr. Newsome indicated that he would try to arrange a meeting with Dr. Briggs and the entire faculty within two weeks.
- **IHL Presidential Listening Session: October 12, 2017**
 - Students Timeframe: 3p.m., Administration: 3:45 p.m., & Faculty: 4:30p.m
 - Listening session will be held on October 12, 2017
 - The listening session will be devoted to the identification of the qualities & qualifications of the next president of MVSU.

- Dr. Newsome indicated that the following issues had already been identified and would be presented at the session.
 - Fund raising experience
 - HBCU experience
 - Administrative Experience
 - VPA experience
 - On the job experience
 - Additional qualifications included
 - Strong president to lead Valley forward
 - High bar for candidate
 - Ties to the institution
 - Dr. Newsome said that all input from faculty regarding preferred qualifications of the president needs to be e-mailed to him by the 10th of October.
- **Faculty Appointments**
 - Dr. Newsome discussed the faculty appointment list that must be approved by the President.
- **Faculty Senate Handbook Committee : Volunteers (Must be voted on by Senate)**
 - Dr. Atakpu- Nomination Committee
 - Mr. Boyd- Education Policy Committee
 - Dr. Atakpu- Faculty Concern & Academic Grievance Committee
 - Dr. Knutson- Faculty Handbook Committee
 - Ms. Bowden- Information Technology Committee
 - Dr. Boyd- Information Technology Committee
- **Faculty Website**
 - Ms. Bowden will assume responsibility for updating the faculty senate website.
- **New Members**
 - Dr. Newsome indicated that proposed agenda items for the entire year be reviewed and welcomed any additions or changes.
 - Agenda will be forwarded to committee members prior to meeting.
- **Meeting Adjournment**
 - Meeting was adjourned at 12:01 pm. 10/03/17
 - Minutes submitted by Mrs. Tasmine Moore