

Meeting Minutes
General Meeting of the Faculty
Thursday, November 30, 2017
10:00 A.M.
Carter I Auditorium

- I. Call to Order and Welcome – Dr. Chadwick Gugg
- II. Reading and Approval of Minutes of April 28, 2017 General Faculty Meeting
 - A. Motion to Approve; no discussion; approved
- III. Remarks by GSW President - Dr. Neal Weaver
 - A. Innovation. GSW is ever mindful of its responsibility to grow the institution. The best innovations are small changes that gain traction and can be scaled throughout the organization. To jumpstart efforts in innovation, Weaver is working with the GSW foundation to fund two initiatives:
 - a. High-impact Policy Practice Opportunity (HIPPO) grants: apply to support high impact policy practices. Proposed \$1,500 maximum award. Application process coming soon. Funds should be available in Fall 2018.
 - b. Education Leadership Fund (ELF) grants: a proposed amount of \$75,000-\$100,000 to be set aside for the purpose of motivating faculty members to provide innovative ideas that will possibly generate new enrollment growth. Monetary gifts will come from donors. Faculty members with innovative ideas will bring these thoughts before donors and they will determine the investment amount, length of time, etc... The idea is to grow enrollment and generate new revenue for the university. Priority will be given to ideas that encourage cross-departmental collaboration. An example of this is Dr. Mark Laughlin's video game music course.
- IV. Remarks by the Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs – Ms. Lynda Lee Purvis
 - A. Continue participating in faculty development grants and sharing with the GSW faculty.
 - B. A symposium for undergraduate research (with a committee of 10) is scheduled for April 2018.
 - C. "Momentum Year" grant submitted to Dr. Denley, which will start in Fall 2018, awarding up to \$18,000. It involves a planned academic 4-year procedure, implementing strategies that support Momentum Year concepts. GSW tasked with developing "Momentum Year" plan by February for Fall 2018.
 - D. Classes offering "low cost" or "no cost" textbooks will be marked on the class schedule. Instructors encouraged to consider Open Educational Resources (OER) and apply for Affordable Learning Georgia grants.
 - E. Faculty Salary Study underway by Carl Vinson Institute for Government. Slides of recent presentation to be sent out. Input questionnaire to be sent to faculty members in January for their input.
 - F. The Provost search, update given by Ru Story-Huffman. Seven candidates have been identified for phone interviews, which will begin in January. Two to four candidates will be brought to campus after the phone interviews have been completed. These candidates will present and faculty will have the opportunity to meet and ask the candidates questions.

- V. Update on Strategic Plan Committee – Mr. Royce Hackett, Committee Co-Chair and Chief Information Officer
- A. Strategic Plan (SP) is moving into implementation phase. An ongoing assessment of the SP is being conducted. Working with Dr. Bryan Davis and the Institutional Effectiveness Committee. SP is on the website. Faculty should take a look at it as the assessment moves forward.
- VI. Activity Reports from Standing Committees
- A. Academic Affairs met three times, approved five courses and 10 curriculum sheet changes. First meeting in Spring 2018 will be January 19th.
- B. Academic Grievances: Nothing to report.
- C. Athletics met once, discussed promoting student athletics and intramural sports.
- D. Business and Finance met once in person, once electronically.
- E. Faculty Affairs met several times.
- F. Graduate Affairs met several times.
- G. Institutional Review Board met.
- H. Institutional Effectiveness met twice.
- I. Instructional Technology met twice; reviewed expenditures, subcommittee met, Faculty Technology Survey provided good feedback, ADA compliancy guidelines to be looked over with possible ADA Faculty workshop in the future.
- J. Scholarships and Financial Aid met.
- K. Student Affairs met.
- L. University and Alumni Affairs met.
- M. Faculty Senate: Met three times. A request was made to have the minutes of future Faculty Senate Committee meetings circulated to the entire Faculty body. Faculty President Chadwick Gugg said this would be arranged and the minutes would also appear on the Committee's web page.
- VII. New Business
- Curriculum Changes/Additions
- A. College of Arts and Science: **Motion to approve as a package; no discussion; approved.**
- BS in Biology Curriculum Change
 - Criminal Justice
 - Curriculum Sheet Changes for Major
 - Curriculum Sheet Changes for Certificate
- B. Sociology: **Motion to approve as a package; discussion; General Baccalaureate Requirement (GBR) issue with Sociology and declaring minor; Move to amend, eliminating Sociology minor from the proposal; Approved.**
- Curriculum Sheet Changes for Major
 - Curriculum Sheet Changes for Minor
- C. School of Business Administration: **Motion to approve as a package; no discussion; approved.**
- Human Resources
 - Curriculum Changes for Major
 - Curriculum Changes for Minor

- Management
 - Curriculum Changes for Major
 - Curriculum Changes for Minor

D. School of Nursing: **Motion to approve; no discussion; approved.**

A. RN to BSN Curriculum Change

VIII. Items from Committee on Academic Affairs

A. Proposal to Change General Baccalaureate Requirement #3 (UNIV 1000 and W2W)

- Motion to approve; discussion; approved.

B. Proposal to Change General Baccalaureate Requirement #11 (update to GA code)

- Motion to approve; discussion; approved.

C. Proposal to Change General Baccalaureate Requirement #12 (declaring minors)

- General Baccalaureate Requirement (GBR) issue with Sociology and declaring minor; move to amend, eliminating Sociology minor from the proposal; approved. Motion to approve with Sociology amended; no discussion; approved.

D. Proposal to Change University Statutes Article IV, Section 4 (sub-committees of Committee on Academic Affairs)

- Motion to approve; discussion; approved.

IX. Items from Committee on Graduate Affairs

A. Addition to Graduate Faculty

- a. Dr. Paula Bryant (School of Nursing): Motion to approve; no discussion; approved.

B. Proposal for Policy on Adding a Track to Nursing Master's Degree Program: Motion to approve; discussion; approved.

C. Proposal for change to Faculty Handbook concerning teaching loads for Faculty who teach mixed loads of graduate and undergraduate courses: Motion to approve; discussion; approved.

X. Item from Office of Academic Affairs

A. Proposal to Change University Statutes Article II (changes related to Administrative Officers: Provost, Director of Human Resources, and Director of Information and Instructional Technology): Motion to approve; discussion; approved.

XI. Other Items for Discussion

XII. Announcements

XIII. Adjournment