Minutes for the Faculty Senate meeting on August 25, 2000.

Members present: H.Gonshak, B.Gerbrandt, B.Macgregor, C.Link, D.Hobbs, K.Amtmann, B.DeDominic. Guest: D.Bradley

Item #1-Dr. Bradley presented the BOR new policy (303.1) that discusses definitions of Majors, Minors, Degrees etc., . The college is required to comply with the number of credits in each program, and instructors are no longer permitted to distribute and collect the forms themselves. Dr. Bradley will create a format to determine the number of credits in each program and ask the Dean's and Department Head's to assess their majors and evaluate the ramifications of this new policy.

Item#2- Dr. Bradley presented the BOR new policy (705.3) on performance evaluation; student evaluation of faculty teaching. This policy requires immediate action and the appropriate changes will be made to the faculty handbook.

Item#3- Discussion of the response to Dr. Arreola's Faculty Evaluation Workshop. Dr. Bradley stated he would like to form a committee to begin the process of using Dr. Arreola's work. The committee will be comprised of persons from each college, and one student representative. A motion was made for the Faculty Senate to support the formation of a steering committee to put together a proposal to implement Dr. Arreola's evaluation system, which will be brought before the General Faculty. The motion was seconded and passed. Dr. Bradley will form the committee at the next Dean's meeting and one faculty senate member will also be asked to serve.

Item#4- Dr. Bradley asked that one member of the faculty senate serve on the Library Head Search Committee, Kate Miller has agreed to serve.

Item#5-Discussion of Tech's financial difficulties and how the faculty senate can initiate meeting with local and state legislative candidates to respond to financing of higher education in Montana. The senate decided that early October might work to invite the candidates to have a forum and debate about this situation, and any other issues that pertain to Tech and the MUS in general. The plan will also be to invite the media. Further action on this project will take place at future meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,

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