

Part-Time Faculty Council

Meeting Minutes April 19, 2017

1. Call to order

President Yvonne Wichman called the meeting of the Part-Time Faculty Council to order at 3:35 PM.

Members Present

Mara Mandradjieff	Joanne Lee	Kathleen Brennan	Chuck Jackson
Bryce McGowan	David Gregory	Yvonne Wichman	Ruti Padan
Mary Migliaro	Becky Simmons	Beth Moulder	Emily Hein
Sara Crews			

Advisors and Guests

Ron Matson, Associate Vice President for Faculty
Stephen Bartlett, Advisor
Gail Scott, Advisor
Mandy McGrew, Faculty Fellow for Part-Time Faculty Support/CETL

2. Approval of March Minutes

The minutes from the March 22, 2017 meeting were approved without corrections by a unanimous vote. They will be archived and posted on the PTFC website.

3. Welcome new officers

Yvonne introduced the new officers: President Joanne Lee, Vice President Chuck Jackson, and Secretary Becky Simmons. Each spoke about their vision for the future of the PTFC and how much they appreciated the trust placed in them by the PTFC members.

Several minutes were spent discussing the need for a parliamentarian and several members were encouraged to volunteer for the position. The need for a chair for the Public Relations Committee was also discussed. Both positions will be discussed again in the fall. Anyone wishing to serve was encouraged to contact one of the officers.

4. Announcements

- A. Mandy McGrew discussed the SPACE conference and reminded members of the deadlines for registering. There is a great lineup of about 100 presenters from all over the country and it is expected to be even better than last year.
- B. Kelly Luscre was unable to attend the meeting to discuss the Teaching Guidebook for PTF so Mandy provided a brief overview of what they have been working on and when it is expected to be rolled out for everyone. More details will be provided in the fall.
- C. Chuck Jackson provided an interactive survey with PTFC members to survey the best days/times for PTFC meetings in the fall. There were several factors to consider including the dates/times of Faculty Senate meetings and availability of meeting space. More research needs to be done and locations secured before the meeting days can be established.

5. A word from Ron Matson

Ron Matson addressed the members and extended his appreciation to both the outgoing and incoming officers for their work and dedication to creating the council and moving it forward next year. He also recognized and thanked all PTF and reiterated that the part-time faculty play a vital role in helping the university provide the excellent education that students receive. Without our part-time faculty, KSU would not be able to survive.

Part-Time Faculty Council

Ron also announced that beginning in the fall semester, all PTF on the books will receive five paychecks per semester instead of the previous four. That means that the first paychecks will go out in August instead of being rolled into the September checks. He also mentioned that PTF can teach at any Georgia technical schools as they are not part of the USG system. There is no cap on those nor is there a penalty based on the number of courses you teach at KSU.

6. Other Matters

Bryce McGowan brought up the issue of using +'s or -'s in addition to letter grades. There is a great deal of interest in revisiting this issue from five years ago. It was discussed that the PTFC can take it to the Faculty Senate to bring it back up and revisit the issue.

7. Passing of the gavel

The gavel was ceremoniously passed from Yvonne to Joanne. The new officers will be planning over the summer as they assume their official duties at the first meeting in the fall. Joanne presented lovely gifts to the outgoing officers with cards from PTF members written to them as well. Photos were taken for the webpage.

8. Adjourn

President Yvonne Wichman adjourned the meeting at 4:40 PM.

Mary Migliaro, Secretary

Approved without corrections by unanimous electronic vote 5-15-17