

Faculty Senate Minutes
March 1, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m.

I. Approval of the minutes of the February 15, 2005 meeting were postponed until the March 15, 2005 meeting.

II. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Senator Rohena was unable to attend today's meeting. A senator willing to fill in as secretary was needed. In the absence of a volunteer, Chairperson Kerper took brief minutes.

III. Report of the Student Senate President

Student Senate President Albright was not in attendance. Her designee reported that one candidate for each office has been identified.

IV. Report of the Graduate Student Organization

None

V. Report of the Administrative Officers

President McNairy

President McNairy shared concerns about the Academic Theme due, in part, to the limited participation in the University community and the dollars devoted to the program. Since the Academic Theme Committee is a standing committee of Faculty Senate, President McNairy wished to address the issue with this body. A joint meeting of the chairs of the Academic Theme Committee and school-based lectures will be held to discuss the future direction of these events. President McNairy suggested a hiatus until the joint committee has completed its work.

Provost Prabhu

Provost Prabhu reported that the Graduate Dean Search Committee has made a recommendation to the administration. He received a request from a senator that the decision regarding the scheduling of make-up classes, resulting from weather cancellations, be made and disseminated so students can plan accordingly.

VI. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

First Reading

UCPRC: No new proposals

GCPRC:

New Courses

PSYC 537 Ethics and Professional Practice. Effective: Summer 2005

EDFN 621 Developing Principles of Teaching in Urban Schools. Effective: Fall 2005.

EDFN 622 Essential Strategies for the Urban Classroom. Effective: Spring 2006

Change in Program

M.S. in Clinical Psychology – addition of PSYC 537 Ethics and Professional Practice as an option for students seeking professional licensure. Effective: Summer 2005.

Second Reading

UCPRC: New Course

ESCI 429 Weathering Systems Science. Effective date: Spring 2006. Approved.

EDFN 111 Citizenship and Social Studies Seminar I: Content Connection. Effective date: Fall 2005. Approved.

EDFN 112 Citizenship and Social Studies Seminar I: Modes of Inquiry across Social Studies Disciplines. Effective date: Fall 2005. Approved.

UCPRC: Change in Course

PHYS 351 Intermediate Lab II. Prerequisite change. Effective date: To be determined. Approved.

PHYS 352 Intermediate Lab II. Prerequisite change. Effective date: To be determined. Approved.

UCPRC: New Program

Minor in Molecular Biology/Biotechnology. Effective date: Fall 2005. Approved.

University Honors College: Change in Program

University Honors College Thesis. Effective date: Spring 2005. Approved

Academic Policies

Dr. West, chair of the Academic Policies Committee, presented a revision of the Incomplete Policy previously approved by Faculty Senate. On a Blazer/Luek motion, consideration was postponed until the March 15, 2005 meeting.

VII. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

General Education Task Force

Dr. Foster Clark, chair of the Task Force, distributed a schedule of future topics for discussion. He reported that focus group meetings are continuing and discussed timing issues with the faculty referendum. On a Mowrey/Borger-Greco motion, the Senate approved voting within department meetings during April.

VIII. Faculty Emeritus

On a Wismer/Luek motion, the emeritus proposal for Dr. Thomas G. Greco was approved. {see Attachment #1}

On a Heintzelman/Luek motion, the emeritus proposal for Dr. Clifton W. Price was approved. {see Attachment #2}

IX. Other/New Business

Senator Kevorkian, at the request of Dr. McLarnon, chair of the Faculty-Student Athletic Committee, provided an overview of a proposal to provide priority registration for athletes. Dr. McLarnon will present the proposal at the March 15, 2005 meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard M. Kerper
Faculty Senate Chair

Attachment #1

DATE: February 11, 2005
TO: Faculty Senate
FROM: Chemistry Department
RE: FACULTY EMERITUS FOR DR. THOMAS G. GRECO

As of 16 February 2005, the Chemistry Department unanimously approves and recommends the following resolution to Faculty Senate:

WHEREAS Dr. Thomas G. Greco, Professor of Chemistry, has faithfully served the Chemistry Department, Millersville students, and the Millersville community--of which he has been a member in the truest sense of the word-- for 29 years with honor and distinction, and

WHEREAS Dr. Thomas G. Greco has served unselfishly on major faculty committees, notably as Faculty Athletic Representative to the NCAA for 5 years and on the Medal Fund Management Board from 1981 until present, and

WHEREAS Dr. Thomas G. Greco has contributed to the education of all chemistry majors for 29 years in the classroom, teaching laboratories, and supervising undergraduate research, and

WHEREAS Dr. Thomas G. Greco, while maintaining high standards, effectively discharged his teaching duties in Introductory Chemistry for science majors, spearheaded the development of the Environmental Chemistry option, and developed the initial curriculum for the chemistry freshman seminar, and

WHEREAS Dr. Thomas G. Greco served the department as department chair for three years, and

WHEREAS Dr. Tomas G. Greco has faithfully, efficiently, and without seeking recognition, maintained the major pieces of equipment housed in the common instrument room that are used by all our students and faculty in laboratory courses and in research and has served as a resource for the faculty in trouble-shooting instrument repairs and daily operations, and

WHEREAS Dr. Thomas G. Greco distinguished himself as a scholar through his numerous research grants, publications, and presentations and his consultant and reviewing activities in the field of analytical chemistry as recognized by his colleagues,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dr. Thomas G. Greco be granted the honorary title of Professor of Chemistry Emeritus.

Attachment #2

Faculty Emeritus Statement for the Council of Trustees

Name of Faculty Member: Dr. Clifton W. Price

Department: Physics

Number of Service Years: 34

Accomplishments:

1. Dr. Clifton W. Price has conscientiously and effectively discharged his teaching duties while maintaining high standards.
2. Dr. Clifton W. Price has efficiently developed and expanded the Physics Department's astronomy course offerings and has supervised numerous student research projects.
3. Dr. Clifton W. Price has ably coordinated the Physics Department's Harlow Shapely Visiting Lectureship and has efficiently organized the School of Science and Mathematics Annual Brossman Science Lectureship activities.
4. Dr. Clifton W. Price has willingly served as the chair of several departmental committees, in particular, the Physics Department's Evaluation Committee for four years.
5. Dr. Clifton W. Price has competently represented the Physics Department in the Faculty Senate and has pleasantly entertained his colleagues with his regular witty comments on the Senate's sessions and the accompanying gastronomical and oenological tips and advises.

Statement of Support:

The Department of Physics unanimously recommends that Dr. Clifton W. Price be granted the honorary title of Professor of Physics Emeritus.