

Faculty Council  
College of Education  
Mississippi State University

Friday, April 11, 2014  
1:00  
Allen 255

Present: Pope, Baker, Justice, Sebba, King, Knight, Brocato, McCleon, Yu, Huang, Shirley

- I. Follow up on items from previous meeting
  - a. (Dr. Justice) Dr. Elder would like for us to investigate how Graduate Assistants are paid. For example, are they paid differently across departments, paid according to duties, are Grad. Asst. paid more if they teach, etc. She wants to know if this information is located somewhere.
    - i. Jason Baker will ask Dr. Jayroe - *GAs have a minimum pay of \$600 per month. It varies from \$660 to \$1800 per month. Generally their duties are not considered. It is at the discretion of the department and funds available.*
  - b. (Dr. Justice) Dr. Palmer would like to know why parking lots on either side of Allen Hall are open sometimes. He said he came in several days and the gates were open (he couldn't find a place to park). He noted, "we pay money to park in the lots..."
    - i. Jason Baker will ask Dr. Jayroe - *The gates have been broken. They are temporarily fixed but will be replaced soon.*
  - c. (Dr. Brocato) Inviting Leaders for College and University Level Administrative Updates
    - i. Semester invitation to Dean
    - ii. Annual invitation to Provost (to mirror Faculty Senate)
    - iii. Annual invitation to VP for ORED (opportunities for further service and/or research)  
*This idea was emailed to the Dean after our last meeting and no response has been received.*
- II. Report from Drs. Brocato and Knight regarding faculty mentoring program
  - a. Make it a research and service opportunity –
    - i. Apply to attend "The International Annual Mentoring Conference" (Univ. of NM, Albuquerque) - peer reviewed presentation
    - ii. Publish work from conference (conference proceedings and suggested journals from conference)
  - b. Investigate activities from peer institutions for ideas

- i. Univ. of Illinois – Chicago (very clear and communicable to administration). Adam Knight will send information to council members.
  - c. Investigate stipends for faculty mentor
  - d. Faculty Council as a resource
    - i. Q & A session with Faculty Council for junior faculty each year
    - ii. Discuss P&T procedures across departments
- III. Election of new committee chair
  - a. King nominates Knight, Justice seconds
  - b. Unanimous approval = Adam Knight, new chair