

MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF FACULTY SENATES

Minutes of the February 3, 4 meetings

The meeting was called to order by President Paula Kemp at 5:45 in Room 115 of the Hotel DeVille. This meeting was the 10th year anniversary of MAFS. Mr. Quentin Wilson, Commissioner of Higher Education, gave the opening remarks. Dr. Robert Stein gave the history of MAFS. Then former Representative Tim Harlan spoke to the group on how to be most effective in “education” efforts.

Members and guests present were: Jeanie Crain (MWSC), David Gruber (Truman), Bob Yates (CMSU), John Harms (SMSU), Mona Casady (SMSU), Rhonda Ridinger (SMSU), Ken Bowman (HSSC), Lois Shufeldt (SMSU), James Giglio (SMSU), Patty Shultz (NWMSU), Mike Wilson (NWMSU), Gregory Haddock (NWMSU), Randall Smith (Truman), Steven Greiert (MWSC), Paul Lloyd (SEMU), Charles Schutz (NWMSU), Mark Comstock (MSSC), Paul Teverow (MSSC), Craig Roberts (SEMO), Rick Althaus (SEMO), Candy Young (Truman), Ruthi Sturdevant (Lincoln), Michael Devaney (UMC).

On February 4th at 8:00AM, MAFS members went to the Appropriations Committee hearing. The rest of the morning was spent with MAFS members speaking to the legislators and emphasizing to the legislators that budget cuts to higher education are harmful to Missouri.

After lunch, Dr. Robert Stein gave an overview of Higher Education issues. The CHBE Board Book, which includes the CBHE meeting agenda, is posted on the MAFS web page. <http://www.mafs.org>

Nancy Sublette, Executive Director, MSU benefits Group, discussed issues which impact the cost of health insurance.

MAFS members discussed their meetings with the legislators from the morning.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. Ruthi Sturdevant gave the roll call.
2. A motion to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2002 meeting was approved by voice vote.
3. The following committee was formed to propose changes to the MAFS Constitution/Bylaws. Jeanie Crain, President, Rhonda Ridinger, Rick Althaus, and Mike Devaney. The voting will occur during the summer.
4. The following motion proposed by Lois Shufeldt passed unanimously:

The Missouri Association of Faculty Senates supports the inclusion of sexual orientation in the non-discrimination policies of its member institutions.

5. The next meeting will be October 10th at the CBHE building.