UMES Senate Meeting  
Senate Minutes for October 14, 2014  
11am Frederick Douglass Library

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meeting was called to order at 11:04 a.m. by Dr. Lombuso Khoza.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The September 9 Senate minutes were moved by Dr. Jacqueline Brice-Finch and seconded by Dr. Michel Demanche. There being no changes, the minutes were approved as submitted.

III. Old Business Constitution

Dr. Khoza and Mr. Bree brought up the issue of defining one of the groups that make up the body of the Senate: Staff. It was suggested that staff should be represented by CUSS. This will be confirmed at our November meeting.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Academic Affairs Committee:

Dr. Mark Williams said that the Academic Affairs Committee reviewed ORLD materials and the committee has no reservations about presenting changes in the ORLD program to the Senate. Dr. Williams requests a positive vote from the Senate.

ORLD Proposed Changes: Elimination of ACOL 621-624; HSOL 621-624; adding ORLD 599; changing ORLD 601-611; replacing ACOL 621/GVOL 612/HSOL 621 with ORLD 614; replacing ACOL 622/GVOL 622/HSOL 622 with ORLD 620; replacing ACOL 623/GVOL 623/HSOL 623 with ORLD 623; replacing ACOL 624/GVOL 624/HSOL 624 with ORLD 624.

These changes would reflect the changes in the program dating back to 2007 when the three strands were eliminated. Ted Mullock moved that the senate approve the changes. Seconded by Dr. Bessie Green. Discussion followed. The protocol used by the body to approve/reject academic affairs course changes was brought into question. Dr. Derrek Dunn moved that we use this body to approve academic affairs course changes before they are taken to the next set of channel for review. Dr. Bessie Green seconded. The motion carried.

Dr. Mark Williams said that the Academic Affairs Committee reviewed the materials and the committee has no reservations about removing the pre-requisite for NUDP 472.
Dr. Williams requested a positive vote from the Senate. Ms. Demanche moved, Dr. Brown seconded. The motion carried.

President’s Office:
Mr. Walter Woods explained his role with serving as a liaison with the town of Princess Anne, State of Maryland, and other community groups. Mr. Woods is in the process of creating rubrics to measure the impact of the community with our campus and the impact of the campus on the greater community.

Ms. Alissa Carr explained the “I am the One” marketing campaign and her efforts to brand the university inside and outside of the campus.

VP Updates:

Dr. Patrick Liverpool, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, said he had no updates.

Dr. Anthony Jenkins, VP for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, addressed enrollment issues:

Our 10 year plan calls for an enrollment of 6,000.
UMES needs to recruit more transfer students. Dr. Jenkins and his staff are working closely with Worwic Community College and Prince George’s Community College.

Dr. Jenkins feels that we need to do a better job of branding the university as well as do a better job of training transfer recruiters.

Dr. Jenkins said that USM has a growth mandate for all USM institutions. In order to meet that goal, the university will have to grow its infrastructure along, recruit the right mix of students, and put great emphasis on transfer students.

Our fall enrollment is 4,281 and our goal was 4,387.

Stephen McDaniel, CFRE, VP for Institutional Advancement, said that in FY 14, the university slightly exceeded its $1.5M goal. The goal for FY 15 is more aggressive: $2.5M (with 900K for student aid). He mentioned that there will be naming opportunities in the new Aviation and Engineering Sciences Building. He asked that everyone support the university by making end of year gifts.

Keith Davidson said he was very proud of the academic achievements of his athletes. The Men’s basketball team has an 86% graduation rate. UMES has the highest graduation rate in the MEAC at 89%. 58% of athletes have GPAs between 3.0 and 4.0. Several athletes have received national honors. Students and coaches worked on a summer camp with 300 students. Mr. Davidson encouraged everyone to buy basketball season tickets.

Ms. Marie Billie, Assistant Vice President, Human Resources Management, briefly reminded everyone that the open enrollment deadline was fast approaching. Anyone with questions should contact Human Resources.
Nominations – Academic Affairs Committee:

Dr. Khoza called for nominations for the position of Academic Affairs Committee CHAIR.
Gail Lankford Nominated Dr. Latasha Weeks. Dr. William Talley seconded the nomination. Dr. Weeks accepted.
Dr. Williams nominated Michelle Demanche. Ms. Demanche declined.
Dr. A. Alade nominated Dr. Derrek Dunn. Dr. Dunn declined.

Dr. Talley moved that the nominations be closed. Dr. Jacqueline Brice Finch seconded the motion. The motion carried and the nominations were closed.

Dr. Khoza asked Dr. Weeks to populate her committee and encouraged anyone who wishes to work on the Academic Affairs committee to contact Dr. Weeks.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Robin Burton encouraged everyone to participate in the HBCU Summit to be held March 5-7 and contact her for information.

President Bell asked that the reference to the Carnegie classification in the October minutes be clarified. It should read: “UMES qualifies to meet the criteria for classification.”

The meeting portion was adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronique Diriker, Ph.D., CFRE