Senators Present: Dr. Enoch Beraho, Dr. Shanora Brown, Dr. Thomas Cassidy, Pro. Avery Daniels, Dr. Thomas Dempster, Dr. Omari Dyson, Dr. Janice Hawes, Dr. Nasrollah Hamidi, Dr. Salima Isa, Dr. Jean Michele Jean-Michel, Prof. Carlana Kohn-Davis, Dr. Samuel Littlejohn, Dr. Bonita Manson, Dr. Abdul Miah, Dr. Muhammad Mustafa, Dr. Justin Niati, Dr. Crystal Nixon, Dr. Bobbie Perdue, Dr. Jutta Scott, Dr. Daniel Smith, Dr. Larry Watson

Call to Order:
Faculty Senate (henceforth FS) President Cassidy called the meeting to order at 2:11 P.M.

Adoption of the Agenda:
Senator Fields made the motion to adopt the agenda as amended; Senator Dyson seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes:
Senator Dempster made the motion to approve the minutes as printed; Senator Mustafa seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.

Treasurer’s Report:
A copy of the treasurer’s report showed cash on hand in the amount of $2198.83 as of May 6, 2014.

Report of Committees:
Executive Committee — No report at this time.

Membership Advisory Committee — Report received as information.

Elections Committee — Drs. Perdue and Williams reported on the following:
  · Vacancies on some committees need to be filled
  · Term limits
  · Proposal to change bylaws to allow for electronic voting received as information—will vote in September 2014

Educational Policies Council
  · Dr. Sharon Givens, Adjunct Professor in the Department of Counselor Education proposed the following new course:
    · CED 545 — Facilitating Career Development
  · Dr. Thomas Cassidy, Pro. Avery Daniels made the motion to approve the new course; Senator Mustafa seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.

  · Prof. Joshua Mims, Instructor in the Department of English and Modern Languages proposed the following new courses:
    · E313 — Creative Writing
    · E322 — Advanced Creative Writing
  · Senator Fields made the motion to approve the new courses; Senator Perdue seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.

  · Dr. Janice Hawes, Assistant Professor in the Department of English and Modern Languages proposed the following revision:
E410—Women’s Writing—Course title and course description revision
Senator Nixon made the motion to approve the revision; Senator Mustafa seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.

- Dr. Thomas Cassidy, Professor in the Department of English and Modern Languages proposed the following revision:
  - Professional English—Revised curriculum
Senator Perdue made the motion to approve the revision; Senator Isa seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.

- Dr. Learie Luke, on behalf of the School of Business, proposed the following:
  - MKT 520—New course
  - Revised Admission Policy
  - MBA—Revised Curriculum
Senator Perdue made the motion to approve the above; Senator Mustafa seconded. Vote: approved (2—Abstained).

The following were proposed with regard to the Faculty Handbook (Goal to have FH to BoT by June retreat):
  - Accept section of the FH on T&P, Grievance and Hearing Policies/Procedures
Senator Perdue made the motion to approve the above; Senator Dyson seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.
  - Allow the Faculty Senate Executive Committee to act on behalf of the faculty during the summer with regard to the FH
Senator Fields made the motion to approve the above; Senator Perdue seconded. Vote: approved (1—No, 1 Abstained).
    - On page 45, change to 10% and eliminate $2500
Senator Williams made the motion to approve the above; Senator Fields seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.
    - Accept document as written with niche (?)
Senator Fields made the motion to approve the above; Senator Perdue seconded. Vote: approved (10—Yes, 6—No).
    - Accept the entire document in principal
Senator Williams made the motion to approve the above; Senator Dyson seconded. Vote: approved (1—Abstained).

Planning and Projects Committee—No report at this time.

Educational Facilities Committee—No report at this time.

Graduate Studies Council—No report at this time.

Welfare Committee—Due to time constraints, will report at next meeting.

President’s Report—FS President Cassidy reported on the state of the University’s finances. The report and subsequent discussion included the following sub-topics:
  - $6 mil loan
  - Need for deep cuts across the University
  - Financial stability with regard to academics and athletics
  - Plan to (1) increase enrollment and (2) advocate for more state funding
  - Expansion of fundraising opportunities
  - Compliance issues as they relate to accrediting bodies
  - Accountability/transparency of the administration
  - More 1890 research opportunities for faculty

Adjournment—The meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.