

**West Virginia University at Parkersburg**  
**Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes**  
*March 21, 2018*

**SENATORS PRESENT:** Andrew Walker (Chair), Kathy Frum (Vice Chair), Missy Spivy (Secretary), Chris Cunningham (BOG Representative), Holly Dexter, Joel Farkas, Cheryl Mader, Gary Thompson (ACF Representative), Chad Crumbaker (Vice President of Academic Affairs)

The meeting was called to order at 12:20 pm.

**UPDATES:**

**Board of Governors Update- Chris Cunningham**

The Board of Governors met March 20 on the JCC Campus. Representative Cunningham shared the action items that were addressed at the meeting. The university will request a tuition rate increase. The increase was less than what will require CTC permission to increase. Fees were approved for the 2018-2019 academic year. There will be an automatic parking fee charged to each student. This will enable students to cover this fee with financial aid funds. The only students that will be excluded would be those in an online program. A senator brought up concerns that students that do not drive would be charged the fee. It was explained that tickets would no longer be written. Several technology fees, including the Blackboard fee, will be consolidated into one technology fee. Students will also be charged a \$25 activity fee.

Representative Cunningham shared that the BOG had not been made aware of the Faculty Medical Absence Policy yet and that it would need to be placed on the April agenda by this Friday, March 23. Andrew Walker shared that the policy had been held up in HR since October. Andrew will speak with President Milley and VP. Harris concerning getting it on the agenda for the April meeting. Senators voiced concern that several years had been devoted to the crafting of the policy and it needed to get put into policy.

**Old Business**

**Faculty Emeritus Status Approval-** William Brown is being considered for Faculty Emeritus - Gary Thompson moved that Bill Brown be awarded Faculty Emeritus Status and Cheryl Mader seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**Faculty Evaluation Policy-** Andrew Walker will email the Faculty Evaluation Policy that was piloted by the Humanities Division. It was voiced that the senate needed to finalize this policy.

**New Item**

**Raises-** Andrew Walker shared that VP. Harris had confirmed that all employees at WVU at Parkersburg would receive a 3% raise. The 3% raise would also be given on top of the raise that promoted faculty would receive.

It was requested that the Promotion Policy be put on the Senate agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm. The next meeting will take place on April 4, 2018 at 12:20 pm in the President's Board Room.

Minutes passed