Faculty Association General Meeting Tuesday, September 23 2014; 12:30-1:15

12:30-12:50 1. Welcome 2. Approval of Minutes of August 16, 2014 meeting 3. Accept Treasurer's Report- DTW 4. Chairs Report- VB 5. Scholarship Committee Report- TS 6. Report on Faculty Survey- DTW & TS

12:50-1:10 7. Dr. Angie Christopher

1:10-1:15 8. New Business

1:15 9. Adjourn

## Minutes Faculty Association Meeting

August 26, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Nate Vanden Brook at 12:30 p.m. on August  $26^{\rm th}\text{,}$  2014.

The minutes were approved after one modification. The original minutes for the Voice was signed Dana Tuley-Williams and were to be amended with the signature for Jon Inglett. The minutes were approved after the correction.

Dana Tuley-Williams Treasurer's Report was dated July 31, 2014. The Operating Fund had \$7,975.79 and a Scholarship fund of \$2,288.90. Dana reported that since June 2006 the Faculty Association has awarded \$43,000 in scholarships (approximately). Dana also discussed moving the bank account to a new bank. Concerns were raised by members regarding the move. It was agreed that the decision to move banks would be an executive committee decision and checks will require two signatures.

The Chair's report was brief and covered the increase in tuition. The increase in tuition was approved by the students.

Updates took most of the discussion for the meeting. The Enrollment Management Committee is supposed to have a faculty member as an active member. This role has not been filled for a long time. Bertha Wise has agreed to serve as the active faculty member and will report on the committee when they meet. This role has been decided as an important position for faculty members to serve on. Administration has agreed to add Bertha, but at this time communication has been difficult. The Faculty Association will continue to follow and ensure than an active faculty member is invited and participates in the committee.

Adjunct representation is viewed to be very important to the Faculty Association. After discussion, it was decided that the constitution should be modified to allow adjunct faculty to become members of the Faculty Association. To achieve this end goal, it was proposed to modify the quorum rules. This modification would allow adjunct faculty to join but not to prevent quorums from being formed due to the busy schedule of adjunct professors.

The issue of guns on campus was brought to the Faculty Association. Senator Ralph Shortey is an active member in the Oklahoma Legislature who desires to protect women on campus but allowing guns on campus. It appeared that the Faculty Association still believes guns on campus are not desired. This was a general discussion and no voting was made on the topic.

All the positions to volunteer for staffing the Coke Wagon have been filled. The money raised by the Coke Wagon is for the scholarship fund. The results will be reported next meeting.

The Agenda was modified due to time constraints. The meeting skipped to "How to increase FA participation". The continuing theory is to prevent the FA from being a gripe session. It was also stated that we need to have goals for the association to work towards. Our past goals have been raising money for students and for supporting faculty. This goal has been well achieved through the continued fundraising. The executive committee plans to send a survey monkey survey to find out other goals that faculty members find important. This will allow the executive committee to address goals and hopefully improve participation.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. Minutes by Jeff Anderson