

Middle Tennessee State University
Steering Committee, Faculty Senate
April 27, 2009

Action Items: Be available as you can in the summer for input in decision making processes.

Minutes

- 1) Roll Call
 - a) Members Present - D. Belcher, L. Burris, J. Cain, J. Dowdy, C. Higgins, N. Kelker, A. Lutz, M. Martin, H. Means, K. Smith, S. Taylor
 - b) Members Excused -
 - c) Members Absent - - M. Balachandran, B. Haskew, K. Rushlow, L. Warise
- 2) Items Discussed -
 - a) Discussion of Higgins' resolution - will receive it as a discussion item for next meeting if it is his decision to submit and steering committee will continue in its consideration of the resolution
 - b) For now, we are not sending an email out to the faculty.
 - c) So we are establishing a desire to be part of the process in a meaningful way; a point-by-point discussion might eliminate this option.
 - d) Students are discussing escalating their actions. This may become something the faculty senate needs to discuss. Might it be useful for a subgroup of the steering committee to meet with the students? No, we don't want to be perceived as part of the student actions. We are not part of the SGA and the students are aware of what they are doing.
 - e) President's position seems to be that he will be making the decision. All information will feed to him through Provost and all that work will be evaluated and implemented or not by him.
 - f) There will be a lot of work done in the summer. How can we ensure representation during the summer? New senate takes over June 1. We need to designate appointees. Part of the President's report needs to be a sheet for summer volunteers Also need to poll new senators and perhaps entire faculty for volunteers.
 - g) Meeting Adjourned