

Faculty Senate  
2015-2016 Report

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Introduction

The Senate acts as an advisory and consultative body to the President and other administrative officers on any matter affecting the academic mission of the University. Faculty Senate functions in accordance with the Constitution of the Senate. The Senate's role is to ensure a transparent and inclusive shared governance environment for the faculty.

This report summarizes the efforts, activities, and achievements of the Faculty Senate (FS) from September to

The Chair of the FS presides at the meetings. At each FS meeting, Senators discuss concerns or issues raised by faculty members and determine/discuss recommendations and resolutions of such matters. It is the responsibility of the Senators to communicate and disseminate information discussed in the monthly meetings to all faculty members in their respective departments.

For the first time in the history of Tuskegee University, the Senate is fully engaged with the President of Tuskegee University, the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, and other Vice Presidents and administrative leaders to achieve and fulfill the mission of Tuskegee University.

Senators who in turn inform their colleagues in the respective department to the

Standing Committees

As stated in the Constitution: "The faculty as a whole, has the primary responsibility for such fundamental areas as curriculum, subject matter and methods of instruction, research, faculty status, and those aspects of student life which relate to the educational process." The faculty delegates these responsibilities to its duly elected representatives who serve as its Executive Body and who shall constitute the Faculty Senate.

The Standing Committees play a very important and effective role in the academic governance of the University. Senators elect the Chairs of the Standing Committees. Following is a summary of activities for each committee

Executive Committee/ Faculty Senate Officers

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The Executive Committee (EC) consists of the Chair of the Senate: Dr. Chadia Affane Aji, Vice Chair: Dr. Rhonda Collier, and the Executive Secretary: Ms. Kimberly Baylors. The Chair of the Senate held monthly meetings with the EC prior to the monthly FS meeting. The EC identified agenda items for the FS meeting. The Chair of the Senate also shared with the EC the information from their important university committees meetings.

Academic Personnel Services Committee (APSC)

Per the Constitution of FSA Academic Personnel Services Committee (APSC) shall deal primarily with policy matters and guidelines for administrative implementation pertaining to: faculty salaries, ranking, tenure, insurance, promotion and retirement. During the year 20156,

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Faculty members are aware of the SACSCOC warning and reaffirmation for accreditation. This information and the reporting timeline are posted on the Tuskegee University web page for University Accreditation. Dr. Aji, the Chair urged Senators during every FS meeting to inform and encourage their colleagues in their respective departments to support the data collection activities for the SACSCOC reaffirmation. Faculty credentials, students learning outcomes, programs outcomes will provide evidence to be in compliance with SACSCOC requirements.

4) Programs Review Policy and Procedure

On the direction of the President, Dr. Aji, the Chair of the FS, developed with the assistance of several faculty members a draft for Programs Review Policy and Procedure. This draft was submitted for review by the administration

5) Teaching Online