

UMES Faculty Assembly Meeting
Senate Minutes for March 11, 2014

11am Frederick Douglass Library

Joint Meeting for UMES Senate and Faculty Assembly

- I. The meeting was called to order at 11:18am.
- II. The February 11 Faculty Assembly minutes were moved by Dr. Robert Johnson and seconded by Dr. Mark Williams.

III. Old Business

VPAA Updates

- Dr. Nykiel informed the body on his monthly meetings with President Bell, and the chairs of Senate and Faculty Assembly.
- For better recognition of certificate programs, there was discussion with Dean Dawes to establish the home within the Graduate School. It would enhance the value of the certificate.
- Presentations were made by Drs. Bell, Nykiel, and Holden to the Eastern Shore Delegation March 1st on the university's progress and needs. The delegates were made aware that we have 28 accredited programs and acknowledged how great UMES is.
- Classroom surveys will be sent out after spring break for summer update to classrooms.
- Honors convocation will be on April 3rd.
- Adjunct salary survey is being conducted by the system.
- Accrediting activity is happening on the campus. Middle States liaison will be at UMES April 24th; many groups will begin self-studies or feedback.
- The Provost thanked committee members who are serving on various committees to assist the accreditation process.

Discussion on curriculum matters included authority over curriculum changes; departmental proposals being changed by academic affairs office; online instruction delivery; and online faculty training. Mr. Robin Hoffman and Dr. Anderson will deliver training at scheduled times.

Dr. Nykiel reported that he would look into issues raised and report back to the Assembly at a later date.

IV. New Business

Tabled to the next meeting.

The Faculty Assembly portion of the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 pm.