# -Approved-

University Council Gold Room – Bibb Graves Hall April 3, 2013

## **Present:**

Dr. Rebecca Turner, Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs Dean John-Bauer Graham, Library Services Dean John Hammett, College of Education and Professional Studies Dean Sarah Latham, College of Nursing Dean Earl Wade, College of Arts & Sciences Dr. Benjie Blair, Faculty Senate President Mr. Jason Sumner, President of SGA Mr. Greg Bonds, Associate Athletic Director, Internal Affairs Mr. Sam Monk, University Counsel Ms. Allyson Barker, Acting Vice-President for Administrative and Business Affairs Dr. Louise Clark, Associate Dean, College of Commerce and Business Administration Mr. Tim Garner, Executive Director, Marketing and Communications Dr. Charles Lewis, Vice President for University Advancement Mr. Vinson Houston, Vice President for Information Technology Dr. Tim King, Associate Vice-President for Enrollment Management & Student Affairs Dr. Joe Delap, Associate Vice-President for Academic Affairs Mr. Tony Bennett, University Auditor

#### Absent:

Dean Bill Fielding, College of Commerce and Business Administration Mr. Don Killingsworth, Government Relations Dr. Alicia Simmons, Executive Director of Planning and Research

Guest: Ms. Jade Wagner, Incoming SGA President

#### **Old Business:**

Minutes of the March 20, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

Dr. Rebecca Turner reported that the policy on *Determining Credit Hours Awarded for Courses* has been approved by the President and submitted for posting.

Dr. Rebecca Turner asked for input regarding the Faculty Handbook. After much discussion, there was a motion and a second to approve the revision of the faculty handbook with the understanding that certain changes discussed among council members would be included. The handbook will be sent to United Educators for input with a deadline of June 1<sup>st</sup> to be returned to JSU. Dr. Meehan will present the new Faculty Handbook to the Board of Trustees for review before it is put to a vote July 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **New Business:**

Mr. Jason Sumner gave the following report on the SGA: *Midnight Snack in the Café* has been moved to April 16<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Jade Wagner was introduced by Mr. Jason Sumner as the new SGA president. "*One Day Without Shoes*", sponsored by Freshman Forum, will take place April 10<sup>th</sup> on the lawn of TMB.

Dr. Benjie Blair, Faculty Senate President, reported the faculty senate will meet this week to determine the recipients of the faculty awards to be presented in May. Also, Dr. Blair announced Dr. Teresa Gardner has been elected Faculty Senate president for the upcoming academic year.

Dr. Rebecca Turner announced Dr. Jimmy Triplett and his band will perform at the Faculty Awards Reception on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Announcements:

Mr. Tim Garner invited everyone to attend "Open House" at the print shop on April 4<sup>th</sup>. He also announced the "thirty second spot" for Emergency Management should be completed by the end of April.

Ms. Allyson Barker reminded the council of the Vendor Fair at the TMB on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Joe Delap made an inquiry regarding the need for offices to stay open late prior to the first day of class in the fall. He proposed all offices stay open until 5:00pm. **Dr. Turner** recommended discussing this issue further at the President's Staff meeting.

Dr. Tim King announced Spring Preview Day is April 6<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Greg Bonds announced there will be a contest sponsored by Buster Miles Chevrolet for a chance to win a pickup truck. This item was not included in the *J Day Football Day Activities* handout.

Dr. Rebecca Turner announced she has thirty tickets for the 501 Suite for the spring football game April 12<sup>th</sup>. She will distribute them equally to the deans if there is an interest in attending.

Dr. Benjie Blair announced the department heads that have faculty senate members rotating off of Faculty Senate will receive a memo requesting replacements. Dr. Turner thanked Dr. Blair for his service as Faculty Senate president.

Dean John-Bauer Graham thanked everyone for their continued patience during the ongoing construction at the library.

Dr. Charles Lewis announced there will be a "special called meeting" on April 4<sup>th</sup> to consider the recently returned Feasibility Report.

Meeting adjourned.