Lincoln University of Pennsylvania Faculty Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 3, 2005 Dickey Hall Auditorium Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D., President, Presiding

Dr. Nelson convened the meeting 4:08 PM.

I. REPORT FROM THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION . . . Mr. Abraham Hoff, Jr., SGA President

Mr. Hoff recognized his fellow SGA officers. He also directed the body's attention to issues facing students including instances of insufficient maintenance in some dorm rooms and classrooms. Mr. Hoff also suggested that a monitoring committee monitor students on academic probation in AY 2005-2006. He noted that SGA has put together a series of anti-violence workshops.

II. REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT . . . Dr. Ivory Nelson

Dr. Nelson referred to the handout in which was contained his testimony before the Pennsylvania House of Representatives Appropriations committee. Dr. Nelson noted that the governor's budget requested included a 2.2% funding increase for public colleges and universities, a 10% increase in funding for community colleges, and a 2.0% increase in state-related college and universities. He reported that last year Lincoln University was able to include \$500,000 in the Commonwealth budget for an upgrade of administrative software. Such an upgrade might cost as much as \$3 million and take as long as two to three years. Dr. Nelson noted that he hoped to get money from the legislature for such an upgrade.

After the president's report there was a discussion of curriculum changes under the rubric of 124 credit hour requirement for graduation. It was decided that Education Policies Committee would study proposed curriculum changes and report to the faculty at the first meeting in April.

III. ACTION ITEMS .. Grant D. Venerable, II Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs

A. Approval of minutes from the February 1, 2005 Meeting: The minutes were approved pending the following correction: The February minutes quoted Dr. Shabazz as saying "There is no room for the tutors from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM in Dickey Hall 289" in IV. Section A. of the minutes. Shabazz pointed out there is no Dickey Hall 289 and that the essence of what he was saying was that "Since the Math Lab was taken away, between semesters, there is no space for the tutors of the now homeless math lab to tutor except Room 239 Dickey Hall, from 5PM to 10PM."

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion items were postponed for a later meeting.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Kwame announced that Callie Crossley, a visiting Woodrow Wilson fellow, would give a lecture on March 29th, between the hours of 4:00 PM and 5:00 PM, on topic of Brown v. Board why does it matter? Location to be announced.

Dr. Siddique announced on the behalf of the Lectures and Recitals Committee that Dr. Anthony Martin, from Wellesley College, will be at Lincoln University on the 7th of April to discuss "The influence of the Caribbean Black Diaspora"

Dr. Nelson thanked Drs. Nwachuku and Poe for giving lectures during African-American History Month.

Dr. Walton announced that Dr. Maya Rockeymoore, of the Congressional Black Caucus, will speak at Dickey Hall Auditorium at 4:00 PM, March 17, 2005 and that Mr. Alvin Williams, CEO of Black America's Political Action Committee will speak at Dickey Hall Auditorium at 4:00 PM on March 31, 2005.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Donald J. Bradt Faculty Secretary