

## **Faculty Senate Agenda – March 17, 2015**

- **Call Meeting to Order**
- **Approval of February 10, 2015 Minutes**
- **Presentation by Ms. Stacey Reycraft, Director of Student Disability Services, and Dr. Holly Reynolds, Associate Dean of the College of Liberal Arts on Testing Center Availability to Students Registered with the Office of Student Disability Services**
- **Senate Committee Reports**
  - **Executive Committee**
  - **Academic Affairs**
    - **Update on Best Practices related to Academic Discipline (See Attached)**
      - This list would suggest the appropriate disciplinary measure to take for a set of common infractions.
    - **Update on the GradeBuddy Online Note Distribution System**
      - GradeBuddy.com, according to their website, “provides a platform for students to access the best study materials to help accelerate learning and increase academic success.” It is a system that allows student to sell their in-class notes via an online portal to other students. The question has been raised whether this should be considered academic misconduct and whether this represents an inappropriate use of the intellectual property of the professor.
  - **Academic Support**
  - **Finance**
  - **Governance**
  - **University Services**
    - **Update on the Proposed Resolution Pertaining to the Family Medical Leave Act (See Attached)**
      - This was an item presented at the February 2015 meeting and is being revised based upon feedback provided at that meeting.
- **Old Business**

- **New Business**
  - **Resolution Regarding the Providing of Insurance Benefits to Same-Sex Partners of University Employees (See Attached)**
    - In November 2014 the Robert Holland Faculty Senate at Mississippi State University passed a resolution calling upon its administration to take steps towards expanding the eligibility requirement of employee benefits. This resolution is intended to support the work that they are undertaking.
- **Adjournment**