Faculty Senate Agenda – April 12, 2016

- Call Meeting to Order
- Approval of March 8, 2016 Minutes
- Presentation by Dr. Josh Gladden, Interim Vice-Chancellor of Research and Sponsored Programs
- Presentation by Donna Gurley, Associate General Counsel, Regarding the Amendments to the IHL Weapons on Campus Policy and Mississippi State Legislature House Bill 1523 and the Implications for Our Campus Environment (See Attached)
- Senate Committee Reports
 - o Executive Committee
 - Recommended Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty Senate (See Attached)
 - The Executive Committee is proposing several amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty Senate in an effort to create greater continuity from one year to the next and to strengthen the good work that the Senate does.
 - o Academic Affairs
 - Proposal to Address Issues Related to University Students Involved in University Sponsored Extracurricular Activities
 - It has been suggested that there be some means created that will let students know, in advance, the attendance policy of a specific course. This will allow students who are involved in University related travel (athletics, band, etc.) know if their anticipated travel will prevent them from successfully completing a course based solely on such policies prior to registration.
 - 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.

- o Academic Support
 - Revision to E-mail Storage Capacity and Security
 - Exploring the ability to increase the storage capacity of faculty email accounts to better reflect the reality of large attachments and lengthy threads. Additionally, ensuring that the security of the email systems are compliant with the need for privileged information.
- o Finance
- Governance
- University Services
 - Issues Related to Faculty Parking on Campus
 - Concerns have been raised about the lack of available parking for faculty, and that the parking which is available is increasingly being moved away from the core of campus.
- Old Business
- New Business
- Adjournment