

General Faculty Meeting Minutes  
May 5, 2015

125 Butler-Carlton Hall, 4:00 P.M.

- I. Call-to-Order, Chancellor Cheryl B. Schrader called the meeting of the General Faculty to order at 4:05 P.M.
- II. Chancellor Schrader recognized Professor Henry Wiebe for the presentation of a memorial resolution in honor of David Allyn Shaller. It was moved that the memorial resolution be incorporated in the minutes of the faculty meeting with copies forwarded to family members. (See Attachment A).
- III. Chancellor Schrader announced there were no minutes to approve from the December 9, 2014 meeting as that meeting lacked sufficient attendance to conduct business.
- IV. Chancellor Schrader announced the new Parliamentarian for the remainder of the 14-15 year. Michael Bruening took over when Bruce McMillin stepped down to accept a position within the dean's office.
- V. Unfinished Business – None
- VI. Reports of Standing and Special Committees – Martin Bohner had no reports from standing committees.

General Faculty Elections were conducted for two committees; Public Occasions and U-Wide Tenure

Elected to Public Occasions Committee with a two year term:

Douglas Ludlow  
Sarah Steelman  
Neil Anderson

Elected to U-Wide Tenure Committee:

S.N. Balakrishnan  
Umit Koylu – was elected as the alternate

VII. New Business

A. Approval of Candidates for Degrees

Motion was made that the names on the previously circulated list of candidates for degrees on May 15 and May 16, 2015 be approved, subject to successful completion of any remaining degree requirements. The motion was approved.

B. Approval of Posthumous Degree

Motions were made to grant posthumous degrees for Malaka B. Thilakarathne and Maurice Tillman Way II. Both motions were approved.

C. Recognition of Faculty Patent Awards

Chakkaravarthy Chidambareswarapatter  
William G. Fahrenheitz  
Greg Hilmas  
Nicholas Leventis  
Nanditha G. Nair  
V. Prakash Reddy  
Malik Adnan Saeed  
Chariklia Sotiriou-Leventis  
Jeremy Lee Watts

D. Recognition of Faculty Excellence Awards

Receiving the 2014 Achievement Award  
Mohammad Tayeb Ghasr  
Merilee A. Krueger  
Jana Neiss  
Katie Shannon

Honglan Shi  
Terry Wilson

Receiving the 2014 Research Award  
Sriram Chellappan  
Jun Fan  
Xiaoming He  
Yew San Hor  
Joshua Rovey  
Stephen Thomas Vojta  
Zhaozheng Yin

Receiving the 2014 Service Award  
Joseph Newkirk  
Henry Pernicka  
Daniel Tauritz  
David Westenberg

Receiving the 2014 Teaching Award  
Anne Cotterill  
Kristen Donnell  
Shannon Fogg  
Amber Henslee  
Audra Merfeld-Langston  
Henry Pernicka  
J. Greg Story

#### E. Chancellors Report

The faculty bylaws were presented for discussion. Chancellor Schrader discussed the history of the faculty bylaws changes. Last summer two proposals were presented for a vote and neither were approved by the general faculty. Open forums were held and a task force was created. The task force members included Martin Bohner, Kate Drowne, David Enke, Gregory Gelles, Barbara Hale, Suzanna Long and Robert Marley.

Chancellor Schrader asked Provost Marley and Martin Bohner to please come forward and answer any questions regarding the amendment to the faculty bylaws. Both Provost Marley and Dr. Bohner mentioned that members of campus outside of the task force also submitted ideas for the bylaws changes and that the task force agreed on guiding principles to the bylaws changes based on faculty input. The proposed bylaws include language of 'at least 2/3 faculty' when forming the search committee to replace the Vice Provost and Dean. The proposed bylaws also include language to ensure that each academic unit within the college of the vacant Vice Provost and Dean position would have representation on the committee.

Provost Marley entertained questions and comments from the general faculty. Several faculty members voiced their concerns with the proposed amendments with regard to how the chair will be selected and how each academic unit is represented.

Parliamentarian Bruening stated that no new motions would be presented during the discussions regarding the proposed amendments to the faculty bylaws changes.

Chancellor Schrader moved through her Chancellors Report discussing the legislative updates. This includes the \$1.2 million in state capital appropriates for a new building at our Experimental Mine. This appropriation was matched by an in-kind donation of \$850,000 and cash donations totaling \$350,000. S&T secured additional funding through the Higher Education Capital Fund or the 50/50 match program.

Legislators have recommended a smaller than expected increase for performance funding. The house senate committee approved a spending bill that provides a 1.3% increase to UM System which is far lower than the 3% expected by the senate and the 5% increase requested by the institutions.

The bonding request for much needed renovations to Schrenk Hall is in a holding pattern.

The university system is expanding the Title IX education through training modules for all employees of the university. The UM System investment of \$464,059 will be matched with campus funds of \$564,728. As a result we will be expanding resources for students, faculty and staff and adding much needed positions in both Student Affairs and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

Chancellor Schrader gave a brief update on the Strategic Plan and our progress implementing "Rising to the Challenge: Missouri S&T Strategy for Success". On April 15 Dr. Dan Lin was announced as our Woman of Year and is a rising star in her field who diligently advocates for students as a mentor. Faculty First Friday's have been successful during the spring semester and we look forward to continuing these in the fall. Finally, the Remmers Lecture will be Dr. Condoleezza Rice on May 14 and tickets are still available.

F. Faculty Senate President Report

Dr. Bohner mentioned the changes in Faculty Senate positions. Bruce McMillin stepped down as Parliamentarian and Michael Bruening has been elected to finish the 14-15 term. Melanie Mormile has stepped down as President Elect and Steven Grant has been elected to finish the 14-15 term. With Steven Grant moving to the President-Elect position, Barbara Hale has been elected as Secretary to finish the 14-15 term.

VIII. Announcements – None

IX. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

X. Executive Session – Provost Marley presented the candidates for honorary degree. Ballots were distributed with the results to be forwarded by the Chancellor's Office to the President.

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Deanne Jackson, Secretary

Attachment A

## **Memorial Resolution**

### **David A. Shaller**

David Allyn Shaller was born on May 31, 1939 in Washington, DC. He passed away from a hemorrhagic brain stroke on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015. As the son of a Brigadier General, David grew up in several cities. After graduating from Edgemont High School in Scarsdale, New York, David earned a B.S. in Industrial Administration from Yale University in 1961, an MBA with a Marketing Concentration from Columbia University in 1962, and a Juris Doctorate from Cleveland State University in 1967. David also conducted post-doctoral work in Organization Behavior at Washington University.

David Shaller enjoyed two outstanding careers. After serving as an Instructor and later as an Assistant Professor at Cleveland State University from 1964 to 1968, David joined the University of Missouri-Rolla in 1968 as an Assistant Professor. David was one of the first professors hired into a new program in Engineering Management, which would eventually become a new discipline. For more than 40 years, David continued to support the Engineering Management program and discipline, both before his retirement in 2000, and after receiving the Emeritus title upon retirement. David taught his most recent course during the 2014 fall semester.

Throughout his entire career with Missouri S&T, David taught numerous Engineering Management courses at the Engineering Education Center in St. Louis. David initially worked with part-time graduate students teaching traditional face-to-face classes. He later became one of the first professors to offer distance classes over the Internet. In 2005, David received an Outstanding Teaching Commendation Award for his excellence in teaching distance students. As further evidence of this commitment to students, David was also instrumental in establishing the Marion B. Shaller Endowed Fund for Excellence in Engineering Management, a scholarship fund that continues to be used by the Engineering Management and Systems Engineering department to support on-campus undergraduate students.

In addition to teaching, David also had a successful law career. He was admitted to the Missouri Bar in 1978, and was later admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court in 1987. As attorney, David specialized in Family Law in St. Louis, becoming a highly respected advocate for children. His primary focus was as a Guardian ad Litem, representing the interest of children in divorce, or in cases of abuse or neglect. David's contribution to protecting families was recognized when he became a recipient of the Dudley Dunlop Distinguished Guardian ad



Litem Award by the St. Louis County Family Court, as well as the Lifetime Service Award and the Community Spirit Corporate Award by Payback, Inc.

David Shaller is survived by his wife Virginia (Ginny) Shaller of West Palm Beach, Florida, and his daughters, Diana Shaller from New York, and Elizabeth Shaller Block and her husband Cliff Block, from Florida. David will be missed by all who had the pleasure to know and work with him.

We request that this memorial resolution be incorporated into the official minutes of the Missouri S&T General Faculty Meeting of May 5, 2015, and that copies be sent to Dr. Shaller's wife, Virginia, and his daughters, Elizabeth and Diana.

Respectfully submitted,

Victor Birman, David Enke, Yildirim Omurtag, and Henry Wiebe