Roane State Community College Chapter American Association of University Professors Meeting Minutes October 23, 2020

Call to Order

A meeting of the Roane State Community College Chapter of the AAUP was held on October, 23, 2020, at Roane State Community College to discuss the results of the faculty survey and next steps. The meeting began at 12:30pm ET and was presided over by Kathy Arcangeli.

Attendees

Kathy Arcangeli – President Anna Davis – Secretary/Treasurer Sue Sain – At-Large-Member Connie Blalock Stefanie Holmes Jeri Kiser Deborah Miles Pat Wurth

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting was made by Deborah Miles and seconded by Stefanie Holmes. The motion carried with all members in attendance in favor.

Officers' Reports

The Secretary/Treasurer reported that the current Chapter membership stands at 15, including officers. Due to the national AAUP's updating of their website/platform, there may be some discrepancy in the current membership counts that should resolve with the next update roster from AAUP.

The President reported on the results of the faculty satisfaction survey that was administered in Feb-Mar, 2020. The results of the survey, with names and other identifying information redacted from comments, we shared with RSCC faculty and administration on September 9, 2020. The results of the survey are post-pending to the AAUP section of the RSCC website.

The President reported that the un-redacted results of the survey were shared with the President of RSCC and the lead internal auditor at TBR on September 30, 2020, with the recommendation that a third-party faculty survey be conducted at RSCC.

Additional Items

In the September 2020 faculty senate meeting, Kathy Arcangeli proposed that RSCC adopt the AAUP definition of shared governance. The proposal was tabled. In response, a committee was formed to write a definition of shared governance for RSCC and allow faculty to vote on its adoption. Results of this are to be shared in the October 2020 faculty senate meeting.

Discussion was made about how the RSCC Chapter of the AAUP might continue in the future. Topics mentioned were the incorporation of national AAUP principles and standards, promotion of sound governance, issuing position papers, the possibility of collecting dues if necessary, and obtaining information about campus finances.

Adjournment

Connie Blalock made a motion to adjourn, and the motion was seconded by Pat Wurth at 1:27pm ET.

Minutes submitted by: Anna Davis, Secretary/Treasurer on October 26, 2020

Minutes approved by: Quorum on April 30, 2021