

**ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
Committee Meeting  
April 15, 2016**

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The Athens State University Board of Trustees Academic Affairs Committee held a meeting on April 15, 2016 in the Sandridge Student Center Conference Room.

**PRESIDING: MR. MACKE MAULDIN  
SUBSTITUTING FOR DR. MARK HEINRICH  
CHAIR, ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

The Academic Affairs Committee meeting was called to order at 1:27 p.m. by Mr. Macke Mauldin.

**ROLL CALL**

On roll call, the following committee members were present:

Mr. Macke Mauldin (for Dr. Mark Heinrich)  
Mr. Clint Shelton  
Ms. Crystal Brown  
Dr. Jess Brown  
Dr. Tedi Gordon  
Ms. Vicki Johnson  
Dr. Ron Ingle

Dr. Mark Heinrich, Ms. Stacie Hughes, Mr. Joe Collazo, and Judge David Breland were absent.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Dr. Ron Ingle, Interim Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, introduced and welcomed Dr. Joe Delap who will become Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs at Athens State University on July 1, 2016.

Dr. Ingle announced that a minor in Music was recently approved by the Curriculum Committee. He stated that the minor would be mostly a concentration in vocal music.

Dr. Ingle announced that there were 8 faculty members promoted for the 2016/2017 Academic Year. Those promoted include:

- Promoted to Professor: Dr. Malcolm Cort (COAS), Dr. Jim Kerner (COB), and Dr. Wendy Cowan (COE)
- Promoted to Associate Professor: Dr. Quanda Stevenson (COAS), Ms. Stacie Hughes (COB), Dr. Bridgette Chandler (COE), Dr. Tedi Gordon (COE), and Dr. Darlene Turner-White (COE)

Ms. Joy Bracewell, Assistant Librarian and Writing Center Director, gave a presentation on the Athens State University Writing Center. She described what the Writing Center does and gave highlights about the center.

Highlights are listed below:

- Promotional video for the Writing Center
- Services Offered
- Consultant duties provided by Athens State students
- Writing Center web page
- Contact Information

Ms. Kim Bell, Interim Director of the Center for Lifelong Learning, gave a report on the Center that included:

- Updates
- Upcoming workshops and events
- Revenue generated by the CLL

Dr. Jackie Smith, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, announced that Athens State University is now an approved SARA (State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement) participant. SARA establishes comparable national standards for interstate offering of postsecondary distance education courses and programs.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Macke Mauldin adjourned the meeting at 2:13 p.m.