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Faculty Senate Executive Committee
Monday, August 11, 2003 3:30 pm
K-State Union, Room 204

Present: Adams, Cochran, Cox, Elder, Gehrt, Stadtlander (for Olsen), Prince, Quackenbush (for Quaife), Ransom, Ross, Schumm, Spears, Zabel

Proxies: Olsen, Quaife

Absent: Dandu, Haddock, Jurich, McCulloh, Rolley, Schlup, Thompson

Visitor: Jerry Frieman

I.   President Bob Zabel called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

II.   The minutes of the June 2, 2003 meeting were approved.

III.   Announcements

   A. Faculty Senate Leadership Council
       President Zabel reported that Leadership Council will meet with the President's staff on
       August 20.

   B. Kansas Board of Regents meeting   ATTACHMENT 1
       Al Cochran attended the Kansas Board of Regents June meeting and provided a report.

   C. Report from Student Senate
       Julie Quackenbush, Vice-chair of Student Senate attended the meeting and reported that
       the Executive Council and then the entire Student Senate would be holding retreats
       within the next few weeks to plan the year ahead. Student Senate will continue to meet
       on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

   D. Library Funding Task Force
       President Zabel announced that Provost Coffman is working on establishing a Library
       Funding Task Force but no mission statement has yet been developed. Juanita McGowan
       will be the Provost's representative on the task force.

   E. Compensation Task Force
       President Zabel has requested that the Provost appoint a Compensation Task Force to
       look at tuition benefits, awards, and overall compensation strategies at K-State. He has
       sent the Provost a draft proposal and is awaiting his response.

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F. Other
1. Senator Gehrt distributed a summary of the expected 2004 Health Insurance Changes. This will be discussed at the September Faculty Senate meeting.
2. President Zabel announced that Senator Steve Morris will have a return visit to address the Faculty Senate at the September meeting.

IV. University Portal Demonstration at Faculty Senate meeting- Rebecca Gould

V. Employee Self Service Demonstration at Faculty Senate - Jennifer Gehrt and Alma Deutsch

VI. Calendar Issues
Al Cochran reported that the calendar committee had a meeting earlier this summer and has developed operating procedures for the committee. The University Registrar will chair the committee hence forth. Faculty Senate will continue to appoint two representatives to the committee. The Provost made the decision on the 2004-2005 academic year calendar and that schedule has been announced by the Registrar.

VII. Reports from Standing Committees

A. Academic Affairs Committee - Jackie Spears
Jackie Spears reported that the committee continues to have no elected chair and that it will be decided as their first order of business at their next meeting.

Al Cochran reported on a meeting with the Registrar's Office. Academic Affairs will need to review the current credit hour limit policy of 18 hours versus the 21-hour limit currently in practice. Also they will need to review the wait-list process.

B. Faculty Affairs Committee - Roger Adams - no report

C. Faculty Senate Committee on University Planning - Walter Schumm - no report

D. Faculty Senate Committee on Technology - Mike Haddock

VIII. Old Business - none

IX. New Business - none

X. For the Good of the University - none

XI. Al Cochran moved to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

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Kansas Board of Regents
Minutes
June 25-26, 2003

1. Citizens for Higher Education Project--Mr. Bill Hall, Hall Foundation, and Dr. Mary McKeown-Moak, MGT of America, provided an update on the efforts of the group Citizens for Higher Education to enhance public funding of higher education in Kansas. Dr. McKeown-Moak shared updated comparisons she has developed regarding the amount of monetary state support the state of Kansas provides, as well as faculty salary levels in Kansas, relative to that of both other states and Big 12 schools. Her findings reflected declining support, with Kansas ranking lower than the national average and low in the Big 12, and faculty salaries lagging behind. Hall reported working with Northstar Associates to assess how higher education impacts economic development and anticipates a preliminary report in July and a final report in the fall.

2. Performance agreements--The Performance Agreements Task Force completed its charge, making final recommendations for changes to the Performance Agreements guidelines and Memorandum of Agreement. The regents agreed to extend the time line to September 1. The first reading of the final proposal is anticipated in September with Board action in November.

3. Western Kansas Implementation Plan--Motion past.

4. 2005 Unified Budget Request--A request for $106 million passed. This includes a request for funding of the third year of S.B. 345, a state university operating grant increase, restoration of funding for the Regents' Honors Academy, and enhancing the Regents' Distinguished Professors Program, among other items.

5. Council of Faculty Senate Presidents--A request was made to delay the implementation of the Faculty Awards Program for one year to allow for the development of selection procedures at Regents' universities; the Council is refining its proposal for Cooperation and Collaboration among Public Universities in Kansas.

6. FY 2004 Tuition Proposals--The BOR passed the proposed tuition increases, but with reluctance and concern. Surcharges for KSU students in Business and Engineering were approved to be increased from $5 to $10 per credit hour, along with implementation of a $14 per credit hour fee for the College of Architecture. The BOR authorized continuation of the multi-year phase-in of linear tuition for the College of Veterinary Medicine.

7. FHSU tuition waiver program request --the BOR failed to pass this request, citing the need for more information.

8. CEO salaries--Raises were approved in the amount of 1.5%, along with authorization that private monies may be used to supplement CEO salaries up to a designated amount.

Note: more complete minutes are available at http://www.kansasregents.org.