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MINUTES
Faculty Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, November 28th, 2023, 3:30 pm
4061 Business Building
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Present: Andy Bennett, Graciela Berumen, Regina Crowell, Brad Cunningham, Monica Curnutt, Joel DeRouchey, Teresa Douthit, Renee Gates, Cassie Jones, Julia Keen, Marianne Korten, Ryan Leimkuehler, Terry Mason, Colby Moorberg, Tareque Nasser, Michael Oetken, Michael Raine, Don Saucier, Tom Schermerhorn, Andy Thompson, Kortnee Van Nest, Phil Vardiman, Don Von Bergen, Andy Wefald, and La Barbara Wigfall
Absent: Pamela Erickson, Jared Durtschi, Brandon Kliewer, and Kate Thomas
Proxies: Andy Bennett for Dan Higgins and Graciela Berumen for Mary (Bowen) Sullivan

1. President Don Von Bergen called the meeting to order, and the Land Acknowledgment was played.

2. Approval of October 31st Executive Committee minutes
    President Von Bergen inquired if there were any edits or corrections to the minutes. Seeing none and with no objection the minutes stood approved as submitted.

3. New Business
    A. Honorary Degree Candidate for May 2024 Commencement
        President Von Bergen referred to the confidential information that was shared with committee members on the proposed candidate and he invited a motion to place this on the December Faculty Senate agenda for action. A motion was made by Senator Bennett and seconded by Senator Jones to place this on the upcoming agenda for action. Motion carried.

4. Report from Standing Committees, Graduate Student Council, and Senates

    A. Academic Affairs – Andy Bennett/Brandon Kliewer
        *   Proposed consent agenda items (pages 4-5)
        *   Proposed discussion agenda items (page 6)

        Senator Bennett moved to place the consent agenda items on the upcoming Faculty Senate agenda. Motion carried.

        Senator Bennett moved to place the discussion agenda items on the upcoming Faculty Senate agenda. Motion carried.

        Senator Bennett reported that Academic Affairs met during Thanksgiving break to review the high number of proposals being submitted and he wanted to thank them for their effort and dedication.

    B. Faculty Affairs – Brad Cunningham/Tareque Nasser
        *   Proposed addition to University Handbook: Appendix Y, Tenured and Tenure-Track Faculty Workload Policy (**Attachment 1**)

        Faculty Affairs spent time between the last senate meeting and today reviewing suggested amendments from the various caucuses. All amendments submitted were discussed. These were incorporated as appropriate and are in the attachment. They believe these updates make for a better overall proposal. Most of the feedback received made it into the proposal. Even so, the

committee anticipates there may be at least one additional amendment requested at the upcoming senate meeting.

Senator Cunningham moved to place the proposed addition to the university handbook, Appendix Y, on the upcoming Faculty Senate agenda for action.

Discussion:
Clarification was asked for about submitting future amendments and it was suggested those be dealt with by caucus chairs. It seemed reasonable that caucus chairs could streamline the amendment process and discussion by initiating and encouraging discussions with their caucus members.

All were reminded as well that Candace puts a note in the Faculty Senate meeting email that requests any amendments on action items to be submitted in writing as this is helpful. It was suggested highlighting this reminder.

Senator Cunnigham anticipates there may be an amendment regarding twelve month language. They have discussed as a committee and are prepared to address any questions. A senator noted he will share more of a typographical or style edit.

President Von Bergen reminded senators that due to the unique and diverse work that colleges and departments do, there will be some areas that will not fit well and will need to be adjusted.

Motion carried.

C.   Graduate Student Council – Kortnee Van Nest
     No report

D.   Justice, Equity, Diversity, Access, Inclusion, and Identify – Graciela Berumen/Pamela Erickson
     No report

E.   Professional Staff Affairs – Monica Curnutt/Renee Gates
     No report

F.   Student Senate – Kate Thomas
     Not present

G.   Technology – Michael Raine/Phil Vardiman
     No report

H.   University Planning – Cassie Jones/Marianne Korten
     The committee met with Thomas Lane and SGA members that wish to include a university wide sustainability plan in coursework and general handling of the university. Lynn Carlin was very supportive of this initiative and Dr. Lane shared that there has been discussion about the grants for mentoring STEM students and that aside from all professional advising, there will be a permanent space for faculty advising.

I.   University Support Staff Senate – Regina Crowell
     No report

5.   Announcements

A. [KBOR meeting report](#)
President Von Bergen and President Elect Douthit did not attend the KBOR meeting due to their participation in the Association of Public Land grant Universities (APLU) annual meeting in Seattle, WA. There were 250 public schools represented and one of the big pushes from this event was the need for institutions to advance in the AI realm. Some of the topics that were discussed included how to use AI in the future to be better instructors and more efficient administrators. Within two or three years they anticipate vendors to inundate institutions with programs to run HR, finance, departments.

Another interesting topic was the need for university wide processes for crisis management, for example: campus shooters, strikes and hazing deaths due to alcohol poisoning, etc.

There was a lot of discussion regarding the diminishing public perception of the benefit of a college education.

President Von Bergen's sub for the KBOR meeting, the faculty senate president from Wichita State, engaged KBOR in discussions about their plan for adding two more faculty awards by next fall. The faculty senate presidents requested to play a role as KBOR interviews to replace the Academic Committee Chair, this is exciting news as the academic committee greatly impacts policies that need to be implemented.

B. [University Committee on Academic Technology Tools](#) | [Survey](#)
An announcement went out in the November 21st K-State Today and President Von Bergen also sent an email reminder out to faculty and professional staff yesterday morning. Past President Saucier shared information about the survey put out. They answer to the Provost and Chief Technology officer. President Von Bergen, and Senators Raine and Saucier encouraged senators to take the survey and noted the importance of receiving feedback from faculty to better support classrooms. Aside from the feedback surrounding technology the Teaching and Learning Spaces Work Group will also use the feedback to fuel their efforts in the improvement of classroom spaces. Equipment, physical space, architecture, facilities, tech, keeping in mind that the classroom is six-sided. Innovation is encouraged. One senator noted they plan to add more suggestions to the survey; the survey can be taken more than once in order to ensure that everyone shares as many comprehensive ideas as they can. There was a request to share the results of the survey to utilize the feedback on the current renovations planned in the college of Agriculture.

C. Guest for December FS meeting: New Chief Technology Officer: Thomas Bunton
Our new Chief Technology Officer's schedule was not going to allow him to attend in person on December 12th and therefore he will visit Faculty Senate at their February meeting. A senator inquired if we should invite another guest. It was suggested not having a guest in order to continue being cognizant of everyone's time and focusing on the discussion surrounding the workload policy.

6. Open discussion period for senators as needed – none.

7. The meeting adjourned at 4:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Graciela Berumen,
Faculty Senate Secretary

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 30, 2024; 3:30 pm

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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
PROPOSED ITEMS FOR CONSENT AGENDA

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Approve to place the following course and curriculum changes and posthumous degree request on the upcoming Faculty Senate consent agenda:

A. COURSE AND CURRICULUM PROPOSALS:

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Agriculture	AGCOM - 286 - Topics in Agricultural and Natural Resources Communications
	AGCOM - 296 - Problems in Agricultural and Natural Resources Communications
	AGEC - 100 - Special Topics in Agricultural Economics/Agribusiness
	AGED - 100 - Orientation in Agricultural Education
	AGED - 286 - Topics in Agricultural Education
	AGED - 296 - Problems in Agricultural Education
	AGED - 434 - Undergraduate practicum in agricultural-related occupations
	AGRON - 385 - Soil Analysis and Nutrient Recommendations
Architecture, Planning and Design	IARC - 248 - Fundamentals of Architectural Technology
	INDD - 307 - INDD Design Studio I
	INDD - 433 - User Interface and User Experience Design
	INDD - 520 - Materials and Manufacturing Processes II
	LAR - 350 - Plants and Design
	LAR - 354 - Landscape Restoration
	LAR - 444 - Career and Academic Planning
Arts and Sciences	ADC - 315 - Addiction Pharmacology
	ART - 111 - Photography, Civil Rights, Art and the Environment
	ART - 112 - Professional Practices in the Arts
	ENGL - 269 - Introduction to Creative Writing
	ENGL - 715 - Topics in Film / Screen Studies
	PHILO - 131 - Introduction to the Philosophy of Gender
	PHILO - 132 - Introduction to the Philosophy of Sex and Love

	PHILO - 137 - Introduction to Religious Freedom and Democracy
Business Admin	ACCTG - 830 - Professional Ethics in Accounting
Education	EDCI - 515 - Educational Policy
	CYBR - 010 - Cyber Systems Seminar CYBR - 137 - Principles of Interactive Digital Storytelling CYBR - 210 - Interactive Media Development CYBR - 280 - Applied Mathematics for Cyber Systems CYBR - 301 - Immersive COOP Studio I CYBR - 310 - 3D Animation and Asset Production for XR CYBR - 320 - Foundations of Interactive Narratives CYBR - 322 - Multi-platform Interactive Media Design CYBR - 330 - Interactive Game and Audio Design CYBR - 332 - 3D Design and Modeling for XR CYBR - 357 - Computer Vision for Immersive Systems CYBR - 360 - Foundations of Game Engine Design and Development CYBR - 366 - Cyber Security Operations CYBR - 391 - Data Structures and Algorithms for Cyber Systems CYBR - 401 - Immersive COOP Studio II CYBR - 443 - Interactive Systems Design for Virtual Reality (VR) CYBR - 445 - Interactive Systems Design for Augmented Reality (AR) CYBR - 455 - Human Computer Interactions for Cyber Systems CYBR - 457 - Intelligent Spatial Computing Systems CYBR - 459 - Real-time Computing Systems CYBR - 495 - Immersive Cyber Systems Capstone I CYBR - 497 - Immersive Cyber Systems Capstone II MLAS - 410 - Natural Language Processing MLAS - 412 - Deep Learning
Veterinary Medicine	VCS - 909 - Urgent Care

CURRICULUM: *https://kstate.curriculog.com/agenda:2200/form (*copy and paste the link into your browser if clicking on it gives you an error message)

Agriculture	Agribusiness (B.S.) - Agribusiness Option Agribusiness (B.S.) - Agricultural Sales Option Agribusiness (B.S.) - Food Industry Option Agricultural Economics (B.S.) - Farm Management Option Agricultural Economics (B.S.) - Quantitative Option Agricultural Economics (BS) - Specialty Option Agricultural and Natural Resources Communications (Bachelors) **degree name change*
Health and Human Sciences	Athletic Training (BS) – **Discontinue degree*

B. Graduation list(s), addition(s) and/or posthumous degree requests:

- Posthumous degree request: Kristin Hochard, Graduate School, MS in Applied Biosciences, Spring 2024

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
PROPOSED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AGENDA

Approve to place the following new curriculum proposal(s) on the upcoming Faculty Senate discussion agenda:

New:
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Arts and Sciences	Strategic Health Communication Graduate Certificate
Technology & Aviation (Salina)	Advanced Intelligent Systems Programming (Undergraduate Certificate) Applied Cyber Systems Design (Undergraduate Certificate) Applied Machine Learning (Undergraduate Certificate) **New degree program**: Cyber Systems Design & Dynamics (BS) Cyber Systems Programming (Undergraduate Certificate) Extended Reality Systems Design (Undergraduate Certificate) Immersive Digital Media Design (Undergraduate Certificate) Interactive 3D Application Design (Undergraduate Certificate) Spatial Computing Design (Undergraduate Certificate)