Minutes  
Faculty Affairs Committee  
Kansas State University  
October 16, 2007

Present: Betsy Cauble, Chair, Donita Whitney-Brammerlin, Bill Hsu, Clyde Howard, Bill Hsu, Kaleen Knopp, Stacey Warner, and Judy Hughey.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Betsy Cauble.

The minutes from the September 18, 2007 were approved.

The following continuing business was discussed:

There was much discussion on the iSIS training session held with the Academic Affairs committee and the registrar’s office. Concerns were expressed regarding the non-user friendly navigation system, cost, and the ability to make course/curriculum changes in a timely manner.

The Appendix G revision updates based on feedback from the Faculty Senate were discussed. One of the recommendations was to include a provision to certify the hearing documents that are required for judicial review.

Dr. Cauble met with Dean Carol Shanklin to discuss the graduate student grievance policy and procedures. There appears to be a need for clarity on the roles and responsibilities of the college departments and the graduate schools.

The following new business was discussed:

The Provost Office is proposing a change in the policy to increase the number of consulting days allowed for faculty. Kaleen Knopp moved to approve and Clyde Howard seconded the motion to approve the policy as proposed. Motion passed.

It was decided to table the discussion of changes to the University Handbook.

After a review of the Appendix M wording, it may be appropriate for revisions to be made. This will be discussed further after Chair Cauble and President Spikes participate in meetings with the Provost Office and the legal department.

An Appendix G hearing will be held on November 15th and 16th.

The salary and benefits committee would like to discuss the possibility of eliminating the waiting period for health insurance.

The meeting was adjourned.

Judy Hughey