MINUTES
KSU Faculty Senate Meeting
Tuesday, February 9, 2010 3:30 pm
K-State Union, Big 12 Room

Present: Allen, Askey, Baillargeon, Bennett, Blair, Bormann, Cates, Cauble, Charney, Conidia, Cox, Davis, Devore, Dodd, Donnelly, Easton, Eckels, Fairchild, Flaming Jackson, Fox, Frieman, Garcia, Gehrt, Glymour, Goins, Graham, Grinber, Guzek, Harper, Hoag, Hohn, Holcombe, Honey, Hornsby, Hughey, Johannes, Keen, Keller, King, Kirkham, Knopp, LeHew, Maatta, Miller, Moser, Nafziger, Nagaraja, Nechols, Nichols, Patell, Potts, Rintoul, Rogers, Ross, Schapaugh, Schmidt, A Schultz, Soldan, Spears, Starkey, Sump, Urton, Vontz, Watts, Weaver, Young, and Zhang

Absent: Brigham, Ganta, Haub, Martini, Miche, Raine, Reese, Schermerhorn, B Schultz, Stadtlander, Staggenborg

Proxies: Bloodgood, Bontrager, Boyer, Collins, DeRouchey, Diaz de Sabates, Finkeldei, Gould, Henry, Hubler, Kellett, Lynn-Sherow, Roberts, Stewart, Stoskopf, Turnley, and Van Horn,

Visitors/Guests: Al Cochran, Mary Deluccie, Mo Hosni, Dana Reinert, Ellen Reynolds, Jill Shields

Parliamentarian: Mickey Ransom

1. President Melody LeHew called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. The January 12, 2010 minutes were approved as submitted.

3. Jill Shields, Mary DeLuccie – Student Athletes and Academics
   Jill Shields discussed the Student Services for Intercollegiate Athletics (SSIA) and Campus Advising support services for Student Athletes. A big part of their program is tutorial support by 60+ tutors as well as many other services. They have an annual review of their program by a Provost Review Committee even though the NCAA only requires a review every four years.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda – Betsy Cauble
   A. Consent Agenda – Page 4
      President-elect Betsy Cauble inquired if there were any requests to move items from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda. Seeing none, she moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

5. Report from Standing Committees and Student Senate
   A. Academic Affairs Committee – Barney King
      1. Change to Undergraduate Academic Minors
         a. Rationale for Change – Attachment 1
         b. Change to Undergraduate Catalog regarding minors – Attachment 2
         c. Change to University Handbook Section F160 regarding minors – Attachment 3

      Senator King discussed the proposal to change the Undergraduate Academic Minors policy. He indicated that the change in policy will allow stand-alone minors without an associated current major requirement, but each program desiring to adopt this concept will need to go through the normal process of approval by Academic Affairs and Faculty Senate for program modification. Senator Easton didn’t understand why every minor would need to be going through program approval. Senator Devore noted any KSU graduate could have the minor tacked on to their degree, but the question is really about offering minors to non-degree students from K-State. Senator Donnelly inquired about the weight of the minor and how the minor would be reflected on the transcript. The minor is designated as such on the transcript. Dr. Mo Hosni, College of
Engineering, discussed the need for a nuclear engineering minor. Enrollment has increased in online Nuclear Engineering courses. The industry would like us to offer a minor program rather than a certificate to persons with other kinds of engineering or related backgrounds and are willing to pay for their employees to earn this minor. Senator Easton observed the minor program review should be consistent with the student learning outcome cycle. Spears indicated the five-year cycle was chosen for consistency with the Kansas Board of Regents review cycle. Senator Bennett observed that they wanted admissions standards to apply. Senator Fox inquired if other institutions offer minors outside the university. Hosni indicated Tufts University does currently do this but a thorough review of other universities has not been done.

There would be accredited baccalaureate or above degree requirement in order to be admitted to the minor program. Senator Maatta indicated that when K-State awards a minor, there is an assumption that the student has a broad foundation of breadth of education. The minor will be posted on the student record only when the awarding of the bachelor degree or advanced degree is confirmed. Senator Dodd recommended a wording change to Attachment 3: “Directors of minor programs can petition their “college”….” Hosni indicated that the majority of the courses had to be from K-State in order to control the standards and for the associated revenue. Senator Spears indicated that academic policies set a framework for the university as a whole. The approach is to extend the minor program that already exists to former students and students outside the university. Hosni indicated there would be no new courses but there will be additional students taking these courses. This is also a way to encourage students to further their education with advanced degrees. Senator Moser expressed concern about the interchangeable terminology of certificates and minors. Senator Guzek commented the conversation so far as very favorable to offer the minor, but that we need to consider what the global response will be to offering minors in this way. Senator Weaver said that the K-State reputation will be enhanced if we do it right and in principle is not concerned with the concept of changing the definition, if done correctly. LeHew encouraged further comments to be directed to Barney King.

B. Faculty Affairs Committee – Judy Hughey/Kaleen Knopp
1. Change to University Handbook, Section D12 – Reference to GGB – Attachment 4
   Senator Hughey moved to delete Section D12 of the University Handbook. Motion carried.

C. Faculty Senate Committee on Technology – Tweed Ross
   Senator Tweed Ross reported that FSCOT has been spending much time reviewing the technology-related budget recommendations. The committee is also in receipt of the annual report from the Vice Provost for Information Technology Services as to the conditions of allowing access to personal e-mail. The report indicated in 2009 there were eight cases of retrieving business-related files and emails for a business related information need; there were three cases related to investigating reports of alleged violation of University policy or local, state or federal law; and there were six cases related to complying with legal requests, for a total of 17 cases.

D. Faculty Senate Committee on University Planning – Tom Vontz
   Senator Tom Vontz reported that Lisa Freeman visited FSCOUP to update them on the Olathe campus. Ground has been broken on the new building. Projected classes are scheduled to be held on that campus during the summer of 2011. Steven Graham will chair the new FSCOUP subcommittee on Communications & Marketing. FSCOUP analyzed the list of budget reduction recommendations, developed a list of suggestions and submitted the list to President Schulz at the end of January. There is a list of four areas that have priority for building use at the Olathe campus: Animal Health, Food Safety, Education, and Business for offering graduate courses.

E. Student Senate – Amy Schultz
   Senator Schultz announced the grand opening of the Powercat Financial Planning center in the Office of Student Activities and Services was held on January 27. The architects are making some final changes to the Rec Center expansion before it goes out for bid. The Privilege fee committee has completed the Athletic allocation. They are now reviewing the Student Union allocation. They will be reviewing the proposed revised Principles of Community. The tuition committee is discussing possible tuition
increase and college-specific fees. As to Attachment 5, the students are concerned with the large class size, as well.

6. Announcements

   A. President/Faculty Senate Leadership Council
      1. Faculty Senate Position Statement - Attachment 5 (also see supporting information from the BOR Higher Education Budget Information FY06-FY10)
         Cauble moved to endorse the Faculty Senate Position Statement with the addition of a statement regarding class size in the first bullet. Motion was seconded. A motion was made to amend “the amount of time they have to spend with students, write grants…” Motion was seconded. Motion carried. Senator Dodd moved to add an additional bullet under: From a K-State student’s perspective: “Course availability is adversely affected, delaying graduation”. Motion was seconded. Motion carried. Senator Dodd moved to add an additional bullet to that same section: “Size of classes is increasing”. Motion was seconded and carried. The original motion, as amended three times, passed.

         2. LeHew reported the committee on governmental issues will put together a packet promoting awareness so that university personnel have a common understanding as they, in their citizen role, communicate with legislators and community members their position – no more cuts to higher education. This committee will participate with students in their annual Cats in the Capitol visit, handing out Call Hall ice cream, etc. The committee is preparing “Did you know?” fact sheets focusing on various aspects of the university.

         3. She announced that Faculty Senate Leadership provided recommendations to President Schulz regarding budget suggestions.

         4. The next President’s Open Forum will be held Feb 23, 1:30-2:30, Forum Hall.

         5. There is a jointly appointed task force reviewing dependent/spouse tuition benefits that is getting close to finalizing their recommendations for changes to the current program.

         6. LeHew announced Faculty Senate elections are coming up and encouraged anyone interested in serving in an Officer position (president-elect) to talk to her or one of the other members of the leadership council.

   7. For the Good of the University - none

   8. Adjournment was at 5:15 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 9, 2010; 3:30 p.m., Big 12 room
CONSENT AGENDA
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Graduation List Additions:

December 2007
Bridget Fleming, Bachelor of Science, College of Arts and Sciences
Jesse D. Thompson, Associate of Technology, College of Technology and Aviation