
Absent: Brody, Chakrabarti, Charney, Jani, Jones, Krishnamoorthi, McCrea, Pacey, Schermerhorn, Sump, and Washburn

Proxies: Cox after 4 pm, D. Fallin, J. Fallin, Featherstone, Maatta, Pankl, Raine, Sherow, and Weiss

Guests/Visitors: Ruth Dyer, April Mason, Tom Vontz

Parliamentarian: Jerry Frieman

1. President Dave Rintoul called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. The September 9, 2014 minutes were approved as submitted.

3. Campus Climate Survey – Senior Vice Provost Ruth Dyer and Dr. Tom Vontz – (see handout: http://www.k-state.edu/facsen/facsenate/2015/agendas.html)
   Dr. Dyer recapped how the climate survey was started. This is the first University-wide survey; available to students, staff, & faculty via paper or on-line. They want as much participation as possible, therefore no scheduled end date has been given for closing the survey. They are aiming for at least 30% participation. Incentives are offered to encourage as many people to take the survey as possible.

4. Update on Credit for Prior Learning Assessment - Provost April Mason
   Provost Mason presented a power point illustrating the history of the CPL initiative from the Kansas Board of Regents. She discussed some common concerns, and also provided a handout to senators with information about how K-State is already providing credit for prior learning. Administration is not looking to change the current processes.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda – Fred Guzek (page 2) – Attachment 1
   President Elect Guzek asked if there were any items to be moved to the discussion agenda. Seeing none, a motion was made to approve. Motion carried.

6. Report from Standing Committees and Student Senate (3:59-4:29)

   A. Academic Affairs – Andrew Bennett
      • Honors Program – program code in iSIS
        The following resolution is presented for a first reading:
The appropriate interpretation of Faculty Senate approval of the Honors Program seven years ago is to allow for an academic plan code in ISIS if it can be implemented appropriately. If anything further comes forward from the Honors Program, they should contact the Academic Affairs committee for how best to structure the proposal.

- Open Alternative Text book proposal—
  Bennett hopes to bring this to senators at the November meeting for a first reading.

B. Faculty Affairs – Betsy Cauble

Senator Cauble reported that University Handbook, Appendix M revisions were approved and will be submitted to Executive committee for placement on the November Faculty Senate agenda. All changes are clarification and administration issues however, they will still need provost and Kansas Board of Regents approval before final updates are made to the University Handbook. Professional titles changes (proposed in the Professional Titles Work Group report in 2012, http://www.k-state.edu/facsen/policies/fy2013/documents/Professional%20Titles%20Working%20Group%20Memo%20and%20Final%20Report%20-%20Nov%202012.pdf) are still in process; the Board of Regents will have that item on their November agenda for action.

Senator Cauble mentioned other items Faculty Affairs has been working on such as a request which was made to discuss possible handbook language regarding personal conflicts of interest. The committee discussed this and will not move forward with any action at this time. Retention raises are being discussed as well as electronic submission of promotion and tenure packets with Canvas. Administrative reviews for those higher than the dean level, such as VPs, are being discussed and the possibility of creating policy language for the handbook is being explored. The annual report on the status of faculty salaries was received and is expected to be on next month’s agenda for receipt.

C. Professional Staff Affairs – Danielle Brown

Senator Brown reported the committee is also discussing personal conflict of interest wording in handbook as well as position descriptions and performance reviews for professional staff.

D. Student Senate – Abby Works

The selection of Attorney General (AG) will be moving to January which allows six months of training with the current AG. Pizza & Politics will be held this year on November 13 at 6 pm. Senators were encouraged to attend.

E. Technology – Don Crawford

Senator Crawford indicated FSCOT fully supports the Open/Alternative Textbook proposal and offers Academic Affairs its support in moving it forward. Colleges’ IT staff may have ways to help with the initiative. It was also reported a visiting speaker will be giving a lecture on this topic on Thursday, October 16 at 3:00 pm in the Hemisphere room of Hale Library if anyone wishes to attend. Crawford ceded his time to Senator Dover, who provided new information regarding Office 365. It continues to evolve, and now there will be 1 terabyte of storage per individual; Faculty & Staff can also now download Office suite for personal devices, up to five units by authenticating with their K-State eID and password.

F. University Planning – Barbara Anderson

Senator Anderson reported that FSCOUl received information regarding the Lifeline 911 medical amnesty policy that Student Senate is working on. This will be on a future agenda. Ryan Swanson will visit the committee on October 16 to discuss a variety of planning topics such as how decisions are made regarding buildings & remodeling as well as how to engage community to determine use of vacated buildings. She also reported that Steven Graham will be the faculty representative to the City/University Project Funds committee. This year a new process of making recommendations will
happen with Student Senate, Faculty Senate, and University Support Staff Senate making collective recommendations.

7. Announcements (4:30-4:40)

A. KBOR Social Media Policy – procedures ad hoc committee update
   Past president Keen reported the procedural language will be ready shortly and will be sent to appropriate committees, as well as to the USS Senate, for review and approval and will then make its way to a future Faculty Senate agenda.

B. Update on data request (faculty and administrative salaries relative to our peers) from September meeting
   President Rintoul reported this is in process and his hope is it will be ready to bring forward in the next month or so.

8. Open discussion period for senators as needed (4:41 – 4:55)

9. The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 11, 2014, 3:30 pm
CONSENT AGENDA
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. Graduation list as submitted by the Registrar’s office:
   Spring 2014 (undergraduate, graduate, and veterinary medicine)

2. Graduation list corrections (see supplemental information in Attachment 1)
   Aaron Barak Favre, Bachelor of Science, College of Arts and Sciences, August 2013.
   Manoelita Moura Warkentien, Master of Science, Graduate School, December 2013.