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FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING
January 15, 2004       3:30 PM       Room 204, K-State Union

Present: Behnke, De Bres, Hassan, Oberst, Rys, Schumm, Spikes, Stadtlander, Watts, Youngman

Absent: Cochran, Jones, O’Hara, Peters, Rowlett

I. Call to order
The meeting was called to order by Walt Schumm, Chair, at 3:35 p.m.

II. Approval of minutes
A motion was made by Oberst and seconded by Behnke to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2003 minutes. Watts requested that the following amendment be made to the minutes: under VI. Old Business A. 2. the eighth sentence should read “Rowlett said she is currently working on some of those numbers.” The amended motion passed.

III. Announcements
A. Faculty Senate Leadership
Schumm said that the governor’s speech was more optimistic this year than last year. There is discussion about bringing back the margin of excellence which could boost faculty salaries five to ten percent, however OOE and health insurance may present problems for K-State’s budget. Schumm also reported that the honor code may be extended to include graduate students. If cheating takes place in a Veterinary Medicine course, the incident is handled through that college. If a Veterinary Medicine students cheats in a course not taught in that college, then the incident is handled through the Honor Council.

B. Schumm said that he has been in contact with Gary Hellebust from the KSU Foundation Center and that there is no new information regarding the hotel/parking garage. Schumm said he will continue to stay in touch with Hellebust regarding this situation.

C. Schumm asked FSCOUP members to listen for comments about the impact of tuition increases. Tuition may increase 14 -18 percent with the big question being what the money will be allocated to and how much. Watts said he would interested in having Financial Aid tell us what the average debt of a student is when he/she graduates. FSCOUP members expressed concern that students numbers will be going down in the next six to ten years due to the decrease in students in public schools and that we may price ourselves out of the market. The committee also discussed the fact that parents used to pay for their children’s college education and
when financial aid started, the financial burden shifted to the student. De Bres mentioned that in the past students could work their way through school, but it is not as easy as it was then since more students own cars now and have a more expensive lifestyle. Also, technology has increased budget costs. Watts commented that students will have so much debt when they graduate that they may not want to contribute money back to the university later when they are asked.

Schumm reported that the Board of Regents was glad that the governor’s 2005 budget proposal would allow them to shift money within institutions to give employees a three percent pay increase. K-State may lose $7 million dollars this next year due to other changes though, Schumm reported that Governor Sebelius is reducing the fleet of state cars and not buying new cars. Schumm said he would follow up on these issues.

IV. Old Business - none

V. New Business
   A. Performance Agreements drafts for the Board of Regents
      Schumm distributed two handouts regarding performance agreements. One was the “Performance Agreements Guidelines and Procedures” adopted by the Kansas Board of Regents and the other one was “Potential Ideas for Performance Agreements.” Schumm reported that he has been working with Ron Trewyn, Ron Downey, and Bruce Schubert on the goals. Schumm is the Faculty Senate representative on the committee. K-State has selected to work on goals A, B, D, and E. Schumm said when the committee has finished the specific indicators, he will forward them FSCOUP members. This information will be taken to the Board of Regents to prove the university is doing what needs to be done. The first report to the BOR needs to be done soon and the second report is due by July 1.

VI. For the Good of the University
   Schumm asked that FSCOUP members listen for comments regarding health insurance as there are changes to the co-pays and deductibles.

VII. Adjournment
   The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.