

Minutes
Faculty Senate Committee on University Planning
November 16, 2023, 4:00 pm
Via Zoom

Present: Barbara Anderson, Jacob Brown, Lynn Carlin, Regina Crowell, Elizabeth Kiss, Marianne Korten, Kimberly Kramer, Tom Misilo, and Eric Shappee.

Guests: Dr. Thomas Lane and Andrew Navarro

1. Called to Order at 4:00 pm by Co-Chair and Senator Korten.
2. Welcome to Dr. Thomas Lane, Vice President and Dean of Students
 - a. Questions about KS-LSAMP, Developing Scholars Program, and the McNair Scholars Program being moved to the Office of Student Success in the Staley School of Leadership. Dr. Lane suggested that Staley School of Leadership has a great track record with high-impact student practices.
 - b. Engaging students through the revised “sponsored” and “affiliated” student organizations is very important. He is glad we found a way to better define our role in these organizations because it strengthens the student experience and student mentoring.
 - c. Questions about well-being—what does this term mean to the university? He means how we are helping our students thrive. There are many areas of well-being he means all the areas, mental and physical health, social and economic well-being.
 - d. Question: This is an exciting time to be at K-State. What can we do as faculty, staff, and members of the faculty senate to best support you in the implementation of the NextGen K-State Strategic Plan? Division of Academic Success & Student Affairs (DASSA) is going to create committees to address all areas of the plan. They will include students, staff, and faculty on these committees.
 - e. Question about land-grant university mission and how that mission shapes our approach to student education. K-State is his first land-grant university, and he has been discovering the ways mission aspects like providing access to all is related to belonging and inclusion. Senator Kiss asked about recognizing the more challenging aspect of the history of the land-grant legacy. Dr. Lane agreed we need to respect multiple understandings of history.
 - f. We also discussed evaluating ROI on the investment in college. That led to discussion of the scope of DASSA and all themes addressed by their efforts.
 - g. What is your plan for the university’s advising model? K-State does not have a goal of centralized advising; however we do want the connections and consistency that are possible through Navigate, which is a centralized data source. We want students to be supported through all the changes they make to majors, etc. We need to work together to help our students be successful.
3. Welcome to SGA Member Andrew Navarro
 - a. He, and other students, want K-State to prioritize environmental sustainability in development of the next Campus Master Plan. They want the next campus master plan to include a strong focus on environmental sustainability. He would like Faculty Senate assistance with enhancing sustainability education and the future of work with a sustainability focus. We discussed the need to focus on multiple fronts: For example, the culture of sustainability, educational programs, building design and maintenance,

- purchasing, and practices in the functioning of all units of the university, etc. The Next Gen Plan includes sustainability as solving a complex world problem that we can start solving at home. Andrew could create a second resolution in student support of the educational aspects of sustainability across disciplines at Kansas State University. Senator Anderson
4. There were no announcements & items for the good of the cause.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 p.m.