MINUTES Faculty Senate Academic Affairs May 3, 2011, 3:30 pm Union Room 204

Present: Baillargeon, Bennett, Easton, Hornsby, Sachs, Spears, Zajac

Proxies: Cox

Absent: Bormann, DeRouchey, Ganta, Moser, Roberts

Guests: Anita Dille, Monty Nielsen

1. Jackie Spears, temporary chair, called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm

2. The April 19, 2011 minutes were approved as submitted.

3. Acknowledgement and appreciation of the 2010-2011 members:

Spears thanked committee members for their dedicated work on the committee this year and welcomed new members.

New member: Anita Dille

New member: Marne Arthaud-Day

<u>Daniel Moser</u>, Agriculture (CHAIR)

David Sachs, Architecture

Andrew Bennett, Arts and Sciences
Jeff Hornsby, Business Administration

Jackie Spears, Education
Todd Easton, Engineering
Joel DeRouchey, Extension
Kelli Cox, General University
Kevin Roberts, Human Ecology

Tara Baillargeon, Libraries New member: Laura Bonella

Rick Zajac, K-State Salina

Roman Ganta, Veterinary Medicine

Annie Oliver, Student Body Vice President New member: Kate Bormann

4. Committee Reports

A. CAPP

- Expedited Withdrawal process
- Graduation honors for veterans

Moser was unable to be present today and he forwarded the CAPP minutes. The Expedited Withdrawal process was approved by CAPP and will most likely move forward to the Provost for consent and will then be used in such situations that deem the expeditious removal of a student. This, as an internal process, will not need to come before senate for a vote.

CAPP discussed graduation honors, for veterans specifically, and asked that Academic Affairs discuss the current policy for graduation honors. This policy applies to all, not just veterans. Both sides of the spectrum were discussed. After discussion the committee felt the current policy is adequate. It was suggested that those who deserve special honors could receive this departmentally or through the college.

B. iSIS

Parental Access

This item was discussed with President Schulz by the Leadership Council and he agreed that while financial access seems appropriate, grade access should be discussed further before anything is implemented. Access would be given only with student consent. Nielsen provided his perspective from a registrar's point of view. There was detailed conversation about this. It was noted this is no longer high school, however many parents have the mentality that they should have access as they have had in the high school setting. Students, under the FERPA act, are protected. The consensus of the committee was that possibly parents could be granted access to iSIS, but not K-State Online.

Also, it was pointed out there are a variety of grading schemes and this could lead to confusion for parents if they are viewing the grades. It was strongly noted that during enrollment there should not be a "pressure to sign" attitude toward students.

Spears took a moment out to recognize President Betsy Cauble's visit. President Cauble thanked committee members very much for their hard work this year. She also encouraged members to consider running for president elect of Faculty Senate.

5. 2011-2012 Chair election

Spears gave some background information on the role of the chair and the benefits as well. A chair should help give resolution and offer possible options; they can also help in keeping the committee's conversation on track as it relates to the academic side of things.

Nominations were opened. Zajac nominated Andrew Bennett as chair. Hornsby seconded the motion. Zajac moved to cease nominations, Easton seconded. Bennett was elected unanimously.

- 6. Announcements/for the good of the University none
- 7. The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Next meeting is Tuesday, May 17, 2011, Union Room 204, 3:30 pm