

**Minutes**  
**Kansas State University Faculty Senate**  
**Faculty Affairs Meeting**

September 3, 2002 - 3:30 p.m. - Room 205, K-State Union

Members present: Roger Adams, Mike Dryden, Jim Dubois, Kevin Gwinner, Eric Maatta, Barb Newhouse, John O'Hara, Gary Paulsen, John Schlup.

Guest: Al Cochran

The meeting began at 3:30 p.m. in Union 205. After initial welcomes and introductions, members were reminded about the forthcoming series of meetings to be conducted for various units by the Provost and budgetary staff. A schedule of the meetings was distributed.

Proposed changes to the Senate Constitution, to be voted on at the Senate meeting of 9/10/02, were discussed. The most dramatic of these proposals would cap Administration representation in the Senate at a level equal to fifteen per cent of the total number of other senators. Barb reported that Administration Caucus had discussed the plan and had no objections.

Brief discussions were held regarding the impending rise in health insurance costs and the appearance in the Collegian (8/26) of a story concerning an unflattering survey conducted by the "Princeton Review."

Members were encouraged to consider serving on the University Calendar Committee. This committee meets infrequently (once or twice per semester), yet has important duties in the establishment of our academic year calendars.

Members expressed a general mild displeasure over the Registrar's plan to discontinue printed versions of line schedules in favor of an all-electronic format. John O'H. and Al reported that a final decision to "go electronic" apparently has been made, at least for the short term. Members stressed the need for archival access, and Al informed us of Don Foster's assurance that such would be provided.

The wisdom of an impending domain name change to "www.k-state.edu" was questioned: no problems were noted with "www.ksu.edu" and the inclusion of a hyphen was seen as a possible point of confusion.

Brief discussions were held regarding three likely topics of consideration for the upcoming year: 1) examination of grievance procedures; 2) possible improvements to the Intellectual Property Policy; and, 3) examination of procedures used to evaluate Department Heads.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Maatta