

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

September 2, 2003

Members present: Roger Adams (chair), Kathy Brockway, Gary Clark, Elizabeth Dodd, Jim Dubois, Kathy Greene, Kevin Gwinner, Frank Spikes, Stacey Warner.

Guest: Kelli Cox.

Meeting was called to order at 3:33 pm in Union 205. Minutes of the previous meeting were distributed electronically. Approved as submitted.

Roger briefly noted that the Tuition Waiver Proposal had moved forward from Senate and would be in the hands of the newly formed Faculty Compensation Task Force as soon as it is appointed.

Jim agreed to continue to serve on the Academic Calendar Committee with Elizabeth serving as his backup. Two questions remained about the 2004-2005 calendar: 1) Are 11-12 days from the summer gone as a result of the new calendar? 2) Which calendar are we operating under for 2004-2005 (clarification needed from Administration)? Roger agreed to take these questions to Executive Committee. It was also noted that an additional member be added to the Academic Calendar Committee to represent Student Housing and Dining Services.

Kelli presented the newest draft proposal for the President's Awards. Several questions were posed from a very good discussion about the proposal. Namely, 1) Where do the funds for "centrally funded" (as referred to in the proposal) come from? 2) Will the funds for these awards be from the Provost's budget, President's budget? The consensus of the members was that funding for these awards not come from any college, department, or salary funds and that the awards be funded privately through Foundation support. The proposal was sent back to the sub-committee for a final review with these recommendations in hand.

Roger presented some of the problems and concerns voiced by current and past Ombudspersons. He noted that FA has a charge to review the Ombudsperson positions, their case loads, and compensation with the goal of a recommendation made to Faculty Senate for approval in early 2004. It was agreed that all of the current and past Ombudspersons would be invited to the October 7, 2003, FA meeting to participate in an open forum to discuss these issues. It was also agreed that other universities' models for similar Ombudsperson positions be reviewed.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Adams