

**Kansas State University Faculty Senate
Faculty Affairs Committee Minutes
March 5, 2013 – 3:30 pm – Union 205**

Present: Senators Fritch, Thompson, Nuss, Anderson, Markham, Warner, Cochran, Kiefer, Hsu, Kingery-Page, Linville, Associate Provost Niehoff

Guests: Faculty Senate President-Elect Keen, Senator Cox

Secretary: Senator Hsu

1. Call to Order: 3:30pm

2. Approval of February 19, 2013 Minutes - Unanimously approved.

3. Old Business

- Update on Askey Resolution - case dropped against Dale and McMaster as co-defendants; however, the lawsuit against Dale alone is still pending

4. New Business

- C157 Revision guest: Faculty Senate President-Elect Julia Keen
 - President-Elect Keen discussed work with Senator Hosni and the KSU Office of the Provost on C157 (governing the dean review process) over the summer and the rationale of expediting the revision process with the help of the Provost's Office.
 - FAC senators entertained a motion to begin discussion about C157, in preparation for a first reading by the general quorum of FS. Senator Cochran moved; Senator Kiefer seconded; motion passed.
 - Senators specifically discussed the ramifications of disclosing evaluator comments to the dean being reviewed.
 - FAC co-chair Fritch called the question and the committee unanimously voted (with an abstention by Senator Linville, who arrived after the motion) to submit the current revision to the FS Executive Committee in advance of a first reading on the floor of FS.
- Faculty Salaries and Fringe Benefits Committee – Proposal for Climate Survey
 - Senator Cox reviewed the history of the proposal under previous provosts (prior to 2005 and 2009). FAC discussed details of the Faculty Salaries and Fringe Benefit subcommittee's proposal. Senator Kingery-Page asked for clarification regarding this proposal and its relationship to the recent discussion about clinical faculty. FS Co-Chair Fritch reported on a recent resolution to this discussion. FS President-Elect Keen discussed the relevance of this survey to the continuing discussion about faculty salaries. Senators commented positively on the utility of this proposal.

- FS Co-Chair Fritch asked for further discussion and entertained a motion to accept the recommendation of FSFB and move it forward to Executive Committee.
- Senator Cochran moved; Senator Markham seconded; motion passed.

5. Announcements

- Senator Kingery-Page announced that a native plant display will be opened at the Beach Museum of Art starting in the summer.
- Senator Nuss announced that there is a K-State Union renovation plan and that Follett is replacing Varney's as the K-State Union Bookstore operator.
- Associate Provost Niehoff announced the K-State Awards Ceremony on May 6, 2013.
- Senator Kiefer announced that Ready Player One will be the 4th (2013) K-State Common Read.
- Senator Hsu announced the K-State Computers & Technology Movie Series (times and venues announced in the Mercury, Collegian, and K-State General Calendar), a pending web site, and a call for nominations for the third season.
- Associate Provost Niehoff announced the Spotlight on K-State event tomorrow (7-9pm March 6, 2013) in Forum Hall at the K-State Union.

7. Meeting Adjourned