

**Kansas State University Faculty Senate
Faculty Affairs Committee
Minutes
October 18, 2016, Business Building 2138**

Attendance: Gayle Doll, Troy Harding, Stephen Kucera, David Lehman, Char Simser, Jackie Spears, Jeff Stevenson, Brett Flanders (representing Kristan Corwin), and Scott Finkeldei. Also in attendance, Gina Lowe (representing Charlotte Self, liaison for HCS), Meredith Clark SGA academic affairs and Mick Charney (AA liaison).

- ❖ Approved October 4, 2016 minutes.
- ❖ Old Business
 - Vicki Clegg, former director of the Teaching and Learning Center, provided a comprehensive background for the development of student evaluation of courses at K-State. The initiative came from student government in the late 60s. This was done informally for a period of time but was then organized and eventually led to the creation of the IDEA center. The IDEA form was first and had about 40 items on it. It was followed in 1989 by the TEVAL with 14 questions. It became the more popular form. She noted that there are now 4 options: TEVAL, the long and short IDEA forms and a formative (or mid-term) IDEA evaluation. Clegg does not feel that these assessments should render more than 30% of the total teaching evaluation with course syllabi, scholarship in teaching and learning, observation and others providing additional forms.
 - Jana Fallin provided a more recent update. She noted that the center is currently working on making the online TEVAL more user-friendly and that it is in a pilot study now. Fallin explained that adding questions to the form will be easier in the future. She had reviewed the statistics related to evaluating every course, every semester and noted that in the fall of 2015, 75% of all courses were evaluated and in the Spring of 2016, 76% were evaluated. This figure does not include independent study or classes under 4 in enrollment. She does not endorse a plan for student evaluation for all courses because of student fatigue.
 - Comments from the committee included a charge to not call these assessments “student evaluation” but rather “student feedback” as students are not qualified to evaluate a course.
- ❖ New Business: We will be reviewing Section C at our next meeting.

Next meeting: November 1, Business Building 2138, 3:30 p.m.