

**Kansas State University Faculty Senate  
Faculty Affairs Committee  
Minutes  
September 4, 2018**

**3:45 p.m. – Business Building 3082**

**Attendance:** Joshua Arnoldy, Charlie Barden, Jason Bergtold, Amy Betz, Mike Crow, Troy Harding, Neal Hubbell, Judy Hughey, Daniel Ireton, Annelise Nguyen, David Procter, Sara Rosenkranz, Don Saucier, Charlotte Self, Joe Ugrin

❖ **Call to Order Faculty Affairs –Charlie Barden and Amy Betz (Co-Chairs)**

The Faculty Affairs meeting was called to order at 3:45. The committee took a group picture.

➤ **Introductions of new members.**

Members introduced themselves. Charlie Barden welcomed new members to the committee.

❖ **Approve Minutes**

➤ **May 15, 2018 Minutes**

Mike Crow moved Neal Hubbell seconded to accept the minutes. Unanimously approved as submitted.

❖ **Old Business**

➤ **Review Section G Research (note section 54 on Confidential and Sensitive Research has been deleted).**

Handbook and Policy committee had not met since this chapter's revision. The members agreed with the proposed revision as the 1<sup>st</sup> reading for the Handbook committee review. The handbook committee will review for cross referencing then Faculty Affairs will approve revision to include on the docket for full senate review. Judy Hughey questioned whether the G64 language should be included regarding driving distance this seems to be antiquated language. The committee agreed for the Handbook Committee to determine if G64 driving distance is needed. Daniel Ireton – will pass on to the handbook committee driving distance concern. Amy Betz - there may be a more sufficient place to cover Libraries' locations. Daniel Ireton - reason why the Libraries are included is that many historical documents have not been digitized for on-line distribution. Section G was originally written at a time before the Internet. Discussion regarding the reference numbering. Daniel Ireton - the renumbering is used due to referencing prior numbering. The Handbook committee will review the numbering system.

❖ **New Business**

➤ **Center for Student Involvement executive director, Kelli Farris, presented results from a March 2018 survey of students and faculty advisors concerning the new structure for student organizations**

Highlights of the presentation. Out of approximately 500 organization, they received 215 total responses. Of particular note is the opinion that the reorganization has negatively impacted the student organizations (48% of faculty advisors and 56% of student leaders agree). The biggest lingering impact of the reorganization is handling of group finances. The Center for Student Involvement (CSI) plans on conducting the survey again, and hopes that the respondent's ratings will improve.

Faculty and Staff can serve as an advisor, the advising role cannot be the main scope of their employment. Independent Student Organizations (ISO) cannot reference themselves as an entity of Kansas State University,

but they are the XXX Club at KSU. The Departmental Student Organizations (DSO) are officially a part of KSU. The DSO member account funds can be used for “general hospitality”, ie. pizza at meetings. Student organization’s travel requests will be handled similar to staff travel.

The Center for Student Involvement, (CSI) Departmental Student Organization (DSO’s) Business Processes Guide < [www.k-state.edu/student-involvement/manage/secure/financial.html](http://www.k-state.edu/student-involvement/manage/secure/financial.html) > is the general policy regarding member accounts. The Role of CSI addresses questions, support, and advises the organizations. The number one training issue for organizations is officer transition. The organizations identified a need for a community resources listing. CSI is working on a new website.

Question: Does the Kansas Tort Claims Act protect employees if being sued as a DSO advisor? Kelli will confirm with General Counsel. The Center for Student Involvement can provide training as needed. Registered student organizations numbers have increased. The Affinity groups remain under the Diversity and Multicultural Student Affairs office as DSO’s. There is no KSU affiliated group liability policy for advisors of ISO. CSI recommends those advisors seek another source of liability protection.

➤ **Several agenda items were tabled for next meeting**

- Review issues we want to address this year;
- Dependents Tuition Assistance for Term Appointments;
- Funding Salary Incentive Benefits: funding salary for non-tenured faculty ranks, such as teaching (instructor) and research type positions; salary structure for non-tenured faculty ranks;
- New budgetary model such as SRO, Grants, etc.

❖ **From Committee Members**

- Brief discussion regarding Professors of Practice serving on graduate committees. The Graduate School determines that procedure and with the Graduate Council can address concerns and/or questions.

❖ **Next Meeting: September 18, 2018, 3:45 pm, Business Building 3082**

❖ **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.