# Kansas State University Faculty Senate Faculty Affairs Committee Minutes

February 15, 2022 3:30 pm Via Zoom

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### Call to Order Faculty Affairs – Marcellus Caldas and Veronica Denison (co-chairs)

Present: Veronica Denison, Vicki Sherbert, Melody LeHew, Chris Little, Marcellus
Caldas, LaVerne Williamson, Deborah Kohl, Justin Kastner, Brandon Savage, Jessica
Spare, Nicholas Saia, Tanya Gonzalez

### • Approve February 1, 2022 Minutes

Approved

### Committee Reports

- Salaries and Fringe Benefits Committee: Justin Kastner
  - They will use the 2016 Faculty salaries report as a template.
  - Since 2016 and the creation of the new titles for non-tenure track roles, there have been questions about the voluntary retirement funds for those positions.
  - Conversation report with Jay Stephens will be shared with the new salary report as an appendix.
  - Salaries will be discussed when leadership meets with President Linton in the next month.
  - Concern was expressed that the merit pool funds be used according to the handbook.
- University Handbook and Policy Committee: Brandon Savage
  - Nothing new to report

#### Completed Business:

- o Moved to 2022-23: Department Head vs. Department Chair in Handbook
- o **Completed:** Shortened syllabus statements with links

#### Old and Continuing Business

- Report on Promotion and Tenure Document Sections for Community Engagement and Societal Benefit. Defining "community engagement" for possible inclusion in the university handbook. Subcommittee: Marcellus, Veronica, Tanya, La Barbara, Melody
  - Still being worked on
- Appendix R: Intellectual Property Policy and Institutional Procedure
  - Cliff is still working on getting the task force in place.
- Discussion on faculty salaries
  - See report above
- New Business for 2021-2022
- From Committee Members

• FSCOUP is working on updating language in handbook.

## • Announcements

- Higher Learning Commission visit is April 11-12.
- o Tenure-track clock for those hired in 2020 has automatically been extended.
- Adjourn
- Next meeting: February 15, 2022, 3:30 pm
- Upcoming meetings
  - o March 1
  - March 15
  - o April 5
  - o April 19
  - May 3
  - o May 17