MINUTES
KSU Faculty Senate Meeting
Tuesday, May 12, 2015, 3:30 pm
K-State Student Union, Big 12 Room


Proxies: Clark, Corwin, Cox, Duncan, Heinrich, Higginbotham, Maatta, Markham, Swilley, and Yu


Guests/Visitors: Janice Barrow, Ganga Hettiarachchi, Tim Keane, April Mason, Yolanda Broyles-Gonzalez, Isabel Millan, Scott Schaake

Parliamentarian: Jerry Frieman

2:00 p.m. Faculty Senate Orientation – all senators welcome
3:00 p.m. Presentation of certificates to outgoing senators and recognition of Faculty Senate Leadership
3:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Meeting

1. President Dave Rintoul called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. Visit from Provost Mason (3:30-3:45) - Topic for Discussion: The new admission standards going into effect for the fall 2015 semester have some ramifications. One of those is that more students will be admitted in the "exception window", triggering a requirement to have special plans, tutors, etc for those students. How is the university responding to these changes, and how will the new admission standards help or hinder us as we go forward?

Provost Mason reported that the new admission standards are relevant for all of the four-year institutions. No one was opposed to the new rules; however, all were concerned about communicating the new requirements to high schools, advisors, future students, and parents. Fall 2015 will be the first implementation of the new standards. The State Department of Education was to inform high schools and guidance counselors; however, they are becoming aware that some schools have not been actively responding to the changes. The new standards bring additional criteria into play. (The criteria can be found on the KBOR website.) The guideline is that no more than 10% of the incoming class can be admitted through the “exception” window; however, the KBOR has indicated that latitude will be allowed this first year. We already know we are admitting more than the 10% but when we get their final transcripts, some will fall out of the “exception” window. Any student accepted through the exception window must have intentional advising on an educational plan. This is an unfunded mandate; right now, we do not have the necessary staffing to handle this. A difficult transition is expected. The established criteria is a baseline. KU will be raising their criteria higher than these. Substantial discussion followed Provost Mason’s comments.
3. The April 14, 2015 minutes stood approved as submitted.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda – Fred Guzek (pages 5-6) – **Attachment 1** (3:48-3:49)
   President-elect Guzek moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

5. Report from Standing Committees and Student Senate (3:50-4:30)

   A. **Academic Affairs (AAC) – Andy Bennett**
      1) Discussion agenda (page 7) – **Attachment 2**
      Senator Bennett moved approval for the new major requirements for the American Ethnic Studies curriculum. Yolanda Broyles-Gonzalez, department head of American Ethnic Studies, offered additional information regarding the proposed changes. Additional credit hours are being introduced into the curriculum. Past president Keen asked about the need for additional capacity and/or resources to which Dr. Broyles-Gonzalez stated that they already have the necessary resources. Motion carried.

      Senator Bennett reported that Academic Affairs approved making a revision to the Approval, Routing, and Notification procedures regarding new programs. This will not apply to course changes. The change will require that a spokesperson be in attendance at their meeting to present the program plan to Academic Affairs, which should include information pertaining to the resources available or needed. If AAC members have questions regarding the available resources, the proposal will be routed to the Provost before being voted on by committee members. Revisions made to the procedures manual are typically given final approval at the Academic Affairs level. However, it was thought to be appropriate to receive Faculty Senate endorsement on this change. Therefore, it will be on the June FS agenda.

      He also reported that the KBOR is encouraging increased credit for prior learning. At K-State, any credit for prior learning is included in the calculation of the student’s GPA; K-State seems to be unique in that regard. The Committee on Academic Policies and Procedures (CAPP) has been working on revisions to current policy to address this, since there are problems and inequities that arise from using those grades in a GPA calculation. Once approved by CAPP, the proposal will go through Academic Affairs for approval and will then likely come before Faculty Senate in June 2015.

   B. **Faculty Affairs (FAC) – Betsy Cauble**
      Senator Cauble reported that language pertaining to the professional titles (C10-12) has been revised for clarity. Some faculty are already asking for a change in title. Faculty need to be aware that these titles absolutely do not have tenure so when asking for a change to a position that uses one of these new titles, you may be giving up tenure. The three-year contract is only for term appointments. On term appointments, no non-reappointment letter is required. The clinical professor track was not changed. Much discussion ensued.

      The faculty ombudsperson vacancy will be filled soon.

      Senator Cauble acknowledged Senator Mickey Ransom’s dedicated work as chair of the university handbook and policy sub-committee. Senator Ransom will be stepping down from that committee after this year.

   C. **Professional Staff Affairs (PSA) – Danielle Brown**
      Senator Brown reported that PSA is continuing discussion regarding regular vs term appointments for professional staff. They have been working with HCS with regard to position descriptions. A memo was sent to administration expressing concern that professional staff was combined with university
support staff on the climate survey. Section C of the University Handbook is now in the hands of FAC. Senator Brown expressed appreciation to Past President Julia Keen and President Dave Rintoul for the support they offered as she assumed the chair role of PSA. She also wished Senator Mary Anne Andrews well as she assumes the chair role this next year.

D. Student Senate – Kurt Lockwood
Senator Lockwood reported that Student Senate held its last meeting of the term. The executive group will meet during the summer. They look forward to another great year. Construction on the Student Union begins July 6th.

E. Technology – Don Crawford
Senator Crawford reported FSCOT held their last meeting on May 5th. Diana Blake, Information Systems Office, and Steve Dandaneau, Vice Provost of Undergraduate Studies, reported on Product Roadmap for KSIS and Release 3: Advising Notes. Please review the guidelines for using KSIS Advising Notes: http://www.k-state.edu/advising/guidelines-for-ksis-advising-notes.html. Both general and sensitive advising notes can be issued; however, please be aware that both are discoverable with regard to legal action.

Over 40% of Spring 2015 KSOL courses have been migrated to CANVAS. Training information and progress updates can be found at: http://www.k-state.edu/canvas/training.html

ITS is working on building a business case overview and an action plan for Office 365 SharePoint.

A task force will be formed to recommend a strategic plan for Accessible Technology with Lisa Crawford-Craft chairing it.

F. University Planning – Barbara Anderson
Senator Anderson reported that they met on May 7th and may meet again in June. Spencer Wood will be chair for next year. They started discussing the proposed projects for City/University Funds. Student Governing Association, University Support Staff Senate, and Faculty Senate signed an agreement that the three groups will work together each year to put forward a joint proposal of projects for these funds. The agreement is good for three years. A list of potential projects FSCOUP will consider putting forward include bus stop shelters, better/more busses, Marlatt barn and house, watershed issues, which the development of north campus corridor will only increase, and a joint project with Aggieville for a parking garage. They continue to be attuned to legislative decisions, especially the Seaton Hall project and how it will impact the ability to maintain other buildings on campus.

6. Announcements / Old Business

A. Ombudsperson vacancy (faculty member) - (2015-2018)
Six applications were received for this position. Faculty Senate Leadership Council will look at the applications and the fs president will make a recommendation to the Executive Committee, as outlined in the university handbook.

B. Report from Kansas Board of Regents meeting and legislative update
President Rintoul reported that the funding mechanism for the Seaton Hall renovation has created a lot of discussion. Originally, the plan was to fund the project by taking the bond funding ($3.75 million annually for 20 years) from the entire allotment for the Educational Building Fund (EBF). The EBF totals about $35-40 million annually and is allocated to the regents institutions for repair and renovation of campus buildings. This plan was unacceptable to the business officers at the other
Regents’ institutions, who would see their R&R funding decrease in order to fund a building at KSU. The current plan (still not approved by the legislature) is to take the $3.75 million only from the KSU allotment (historically $8-10 million annually), thus significantly depleting our resources for building repair and renovation. Since this bonding payment needs to be made for the next 20 years, the reduction in R&R funding for the entire campus is problematic. Hopefully a solution will be found that allows the much-needed renovation of Seaton to commence, but does not decrease the also much-needed funding for repair and renovation of our aging campus buildings.

7. Open discussion period for senators as needed
   No discussion.

8. The 2014-2015 Faculty Senate adjourned at 4:49 pm

1. President Fred Guzek called the first 2015-2016 Faculty Senate meeting to order at 4:51 pm. He opened by expressing appreciation for the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

2. Election of the Faculty Senate Secretary
   Candidate: Loleta Sump – Attachment 3
   Senator Bennett moved to nominate Loleta Sump for Secretary. The motion was seconded. Senator Schultz moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Loleta Sump. Motion carried.

3. Election of the Faculty Senate President Elect
   Candidate: Andrew Bennett – Attachment 4
   Senator Ransom moved to nominate Andrew Bennett for Faculty Senate President Elect. The motion was seconded by Senator Sherow. Senator Schultz moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Andrew Bennett. The motion was seconded and carried.

4. The meeting adjourned at 4:54 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 9, 2015; 3:30 pm, Union Big 12 room
NO July or August meetings are held.

Respectfully submitted by:
Loleta Sump,
Faculty Senate Secretary
CONSENT AGENDA
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

1. Undergraduate and graduate course and curriculum changes (see attachment 1 for supplemental information):

UNDERGRADUATE
College of Human Ecology (approved by college on March 15 & 25, 2015)

CURRICULUM CHANGE
Kinesiology
Changes to the Kinesiology (B.S.) (see supplemental information)

CURRICULUM CHANGE
Human Nutrition/Kinesiology
Changes to dual BS degree in Human Nutrition and Kinesiology (see supplemental information)

College of Arts and Sciences (approved by college on April 2, 2015)

COURSE CHANGES
Dean of Arts and Sciences
ADD:
DAS 148 – Basic English Language Orientation
DAS 151 – Advanced English Speaking I for Non-native Speakers of English; K-State 8: Global Issues and Perspectives; Human Diversity within the US.
DAS 153 – Advanced English Reading I for Non-native Speakers of English; K-State 8: Human Diversity in the U.S.; Global Issues and Perspectives
DAS 162 – Advanced English Writing II for Non-native Speakers of English; K-State 8: Human Diversity in the U.S.; Global Issues and Perspectives
DAS 163 – Advanced English Reading II for Non-native Speakers of English; K-State 8: Human Diversity in the U.S.; Global Issues and Perspectives
DAS 164 – Advanced English Listening II for Non-native Speakers of English; K-State 8: Human Diversity in the U.S.; Global Issues and Perspectives
DAS 165 – Advanced English Speaking II for Non-native Speakers of English; K-State 8: Human Diversity in the U.S.; Global Issues and Perspectives
DAS 166 – Advanced English Writing III for Non-native Speakers of English; K-State 8: Human Diversity in the U.S.; Global Issues and Perspectives
DAS 168 – Technical Communication for International Students; K-State 8: Human Diversity within the US; Global Issues and Perspectives

CHANGE:
DAS 152 – Advanced English I Advanced English Writing I; K-State 8: Global Issues and Perspectives; Human Diversity within the US.
DAS 159 DAS 169 – Digital English for International Students; K-State 8: Global Issues and Perspectives

English
Add:
ENGL 575 – Holocaust Literature; K-State 8: Aesthetic Interpretation; Historical Perspectives
Music, Theatre, and Dance
Add:
THTRE 212 – Wardrobe Crew; K-State 8: Aesthetic Interpretation

Psychological Sciences
Change:
PSYCH 350 – Experimental Methods in Psychology

Add:
PSYCH 351 – Experimental Methods Laboratory; K-State 8: Ethical Reasoning and Responsibility

College of Engineering (approved by college on April 2, 2015)

COURSE CHANGES
Computing and Information Sciences
Changes:
CIS 200 Programming Fundamentals
CIS 300 Data and Program Structures

Dean of Engineering
Changes:
DEN 160 Engineering Concepts

Add:
DEN 161 Engineering Problem Solving

GRADUATE (approved by Grad Council on April 7, 2015)

COURSE ADDITIONS
Vet. Medicine DMP 802 Environmental Health
Interdisciplinary MPH 802 Environmental Health

COURSE CHANGES
Vet. Medicine CS 728 Theriogenology – Companion Animal Core

CURRICULUM CHANGES
Interdisciplinary Master of Public Health – Public Health Core
Interdisciplinary Master of Public Health – Infectious Diseases and Zoonoses area of emphasis
Interdisciplinary Master of Public Health – Food Safety and Biosecurity area of emphasis
Interdisciplinary Public Health Core Concepts Graduate Certificate
College of Arts and Sciences (approved by college on April 2, 2015)
(See attachment 2 for supplemental information)

CURRICULUM CHANGE
American Ethnic Studies
Changes to the BA/BS