

**MINUTES**  
**KSU Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**Tuesday, March 8, 2016, 3:30 pm**  
**K-State Union, Big 12 room**

**Present:** Ackerman, Armbrust, Barden, Bennett, Burenheide, Charney, Cochran, Crawford, Crow, Dille, Doll, Duncan, Eiselein, Elsasser, D. Fallin, Featherstone, Ferguson, Finkeldei, Gabbard, Geuther, Glymour, Guzek, Haar, Hartman, Heinrich, Hettiarachchi, Higginbotham, Hoag, Hoeve, Hsu, Jackson, Kanost, Keane, Knackendoffel, Lavis, Leitnaker, Lindshield, Littrell, Lockwood, Maghirang, Maner, Markham, Maseberg-Tomlinson, Narayanan, Nelson, Ransom, Rice, Rintoul, Sherow, Simser, Smith, Spears, Spooner, Sump, Titgemeyer, Warner, Willbrant, Yu, and Zolkiewska

**Absent:** Bolton, Cauble, Corwin, Craft, Gonzalez, Goodson, Hedrick, Hurtig, Jones, Lara, Pacey, Roush, Schaake, Tinker, and Wilson

**Proxies:** Aakeroy, Andrews, Aramouni, Blair, Blankley, Clark, Culbertson, Devore, J. Fallin, Hamilton, Hutchinson, Lehman, McCrea, Mosier, Reed, Schlup, Schultz, Stevenson, Swilley, Weiss, and Wood

**Guests/Visitors:** April Mason

**Parliamentarian:** Jerry Frieman

1. President Fred Guzek called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

He opened the meeting with a moment of silence for Dr. Joye Gordon, Journalism and Mass Communications professor, who passed away unexpectedly.

2. President Guzek welcomed Provost Mason. After being notified of a 3.5% cut, the primary topic for discussion was the budget. Provost Mason reflected that the agreement last year was that if the Legislature and the Governor would not decrease funding, KBOR institutions would agree to a tuition cap. The current cuts would seem to break that agreement. The Tuition and Fees Strategies Committee continues to meet. When asked about whether furloughs are being discussed, she stated that a list of strategies are being compiled for the Budget Committee to consider. Furloughs are one strategy but represents only a one time savings and, therefore, are not a long term solution. Senator Spooner stated that, looking forward to FY2017, an additional cut would mean having to let people go. Provost Mason stated that central administration has asked departments to plan for scenarios that would address a 2, 3 and 4 percent cut. We are in the second year of the two-year budget which should mean steady funding but state revenues have not met projections so this impacts the cuts. In response to a question about whether the ceasing of all administrative searches has been discussed she stated that the Provost Office suspended the search for a director of sustainability. However, she commented that a hiring freeze can hurt certain areas. Central administration is asking each unit leader to determine how they choose to handle the cut. We all need to be very attentive to what is happening in Topeka and what is happening with state revenues. Provost Mason asked for our patience as we work hard to address the budget issues.
3. The February 9, 2016 Faculty Senate minutes were approved as submitted.
4. Approval of consent agenda (pages 4-5) – Andy Bennett – **Attachment 1**  
President Elect Bennett inquired if anyone wished to move any item to the discussion agenda. Seeing none, he moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

## 5. Report from Standing Committees and Student Senate

### A. Academic Affairs –Teresa Hartman

- Discussion agenda items (page 6) – **Attachment 2**
  - 1) New: Interdisciplinary Online Graduate Certificate in Data Analytics
  - 2) Change: Degree name change to MS in Human Nutrition

Senator Hartman moved to approve the Interdisciplinary – Online Graduate Certificate in Data Analytics. Some discussion followed pertaining to the program fee. Motion carried.

Senator Hartman moved to approve the degree name change to MS in Human Nutrition. No discussion. Motion carried.

Hartman shared information from CAPP, which was shared with Academic Affairs. The decision has been made that CLEP or AP exam credits will not be factored into the K-State GPA; they are now discussing how to depict this on transcripts. The Student Success Collaborative is a new functionality in KSIS which will flag if a student is having trouble so that their advisor can contact them. The Curriculum implementation team will have its first meeting the week after spring break. SAT scores are changing; consideration is being given about how to work with these changes in KSIS. President-elect Bennett provided a synopsis of what “Bail-Out Classes” are. These classes have enhanced the retention of students who were struggling. Improving retention rates would have a marked positive influence on the budget.

### B. Faculty Affairs –Betsy Cauble and/or Mindy Markham

- Memorandum of Understanding regarding Social Media Storm Situations – **Attachment 3**

Senator Markham moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding regarding Social Media Storm Situations. Motion carried. She reported that they have received Section C back from the General Counsel Office. FAC and PSA are working jointly on the suggestions made by General Counsel.

### C. Professional Staff Affairs – Mary Anne Andrews

Senator Crow on behalf of Senator Andrews reported they will be meeting with HCS about the total rewards program on March 21, 2016.

### D. Technology – Don Crawford

Crawford relayed that a job description for the interim Vice Provost and Chief Information Officer has been developed. The search committee is working to have an interim hired by the end of the month. The Accessibility Task Force report was the primary topic of their last meeting. They will take this report forward to the FS Executive Committee for further discussion. ScanTron continues to be tweaked as feedback is received. Eric Dover’s last day was last Wednesday.

### E. University Planning – Dave Rintoul for Spencer Wood

Past President Rintoul reported that Darwin Abbott, director of parking services, presented the parking/bussing plan to FSCOUP at their last meeting, which will go into effect Fall 2016. (<http://www.ksu.edu/parking/TransportationCabinetBriefing.pptx>) FSCOUP, along with Vice President Bontrager and Lynn Carlin, discussed the budget and strategies for coping, not only with the current fiscal year callback, but the upcoming 2-4% reduction in the base. They also discussed the city/university fund process and are starting to consider the projects to recommend for next year.

### F. Student Senate – Kurt Lockwood

Senator Lockwood reported that SGA elections were conducted last week. The voter turnout was the highest it has been in several years. The Tuition/Fees Strategies Committee continues to meet.

6. Announcements / Old Business (4:15-4:19)

A. Faculty Senate annual elections status – primary ballots complete

7. Open discussion period for senators as needed

President Guzek reported that an ongoing discussion is taking place about the dependent tuition program, specific to broadening it to include those students whose parents pass away while employed by K-State.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Loleta Sump,

Faculty Senate Secretary

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 12, 2016; 3:30 p.m., **Big 12 room**

## ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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

### UNDERGRADUATE

#### **College of Architecture, Planning, and Design** (approved by college on January 20, 2016)

##### **COURSE ADDITION:**

*Office of the Dean*

(Environmental Design Studies Program)

ENVD 240 Design Drawing

#### **College of Arts and Sciences** (approved by college on February 4, 2016)

##### **COURSE CHANGES**

*History*

HIST 589 Lost Kansas Communities; K-State 8: ~~Social Sciences~~; Human Diversity within the US; Historical Perspectives

*Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work*

ANTH 365 – Exploring Kansas Archaeology; K-State 8: Historical Perspectives; Human Diversity within the US.

*Women's Studies*

Add: WOMST 350 Gender in American Film; K-State 8: Aesthetic Interpretation; Human Diversity within the US.

##### **CURRICULUM CHANGES**

*Art*

Changes to the Art Minor.

Rationale: Now that students have started signing up and completing the Minor in Art, we realize that there are some minor changes that will allow students from Architecture and Interior Design to complete the program more efficiently. We are allowing their Foundation class to count for our Foundations requirement in the Art Minor and both departments have been contacted and are thrilled with these new changes. We are also allowing more Art History classes to be part of the Minor as we recognize not everyone wants to do primarily Studio Art courses.

*Women's Studies*

Changes to the Women's Studies Minor.

Rationale: This updates the curriculum with recently approved/new courses.

Changes to the Women's Studies B.A./B.S.

Rationale: This updates the curriculum with recently approved/new courses. A mistake is also corrected.

### **GRADUATE** (approved by the Graduate Council on February 2, 2016)

##### **COURSE ADDITIONS:**

College of Arts and Sciences SPAN 774 – Topics in Spanish Translation/Interpreting

College of Arts and Sciences COMM 814 – Graduate Studies in Leadership Communication

College of Arts and Sciences COMM 815 – Seminar in Leadership Communication

College of Arts and Sciences COMM 845 – Approaches to Public/Community Engagement  
College of Arts and Sciences COMM 916 – Communication Theories and Engagement  
College of Arts and Sciences COMM 945 – Social Science Research for Public Problem Solving  
College of Arts and Sciences COMM 999 – Research in Leadership Communication  
College of Education LEAD 945 – Social Science Research for Public Problem Solving  
College of Human Ecology KIN 851 Topics in the Physiological Basis of Kinesiology  
College of Human Ecology KIN 852 Topics in the Behavioral Basis of Kinesiology  
College of Business Administration - GENBA 894 Data Analytics Capstone  
College of Veterinary Medicine DMP 885. DMP Veterinary Medicine Elective  
College of Veterinary Medicine CS 811. CS Veterinary Medicine Elective

**CURRICULUM CHANGE:**

Veterinary Medicine – Public Health Nutrition

**GRADUATION LIST:**

December 2015 Graduation list, as submitted by the Office of the Registrar

**DISCUSSION AGENDA  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

See attachment 2 for supplemental information on the following proposals.

**1. CURRICULUM ADDITION:**

Interdisciplinary - Online Graduate Certificate in Data Analytics

**2. CURRICULUM CHANGE:**

Human Ecology – Degree name change to MS in Human Nutrition

From: ~~Human Nutrition (M.S.)~~ To: MS Nutrition, Dietetics, and Sensory Sciences