

MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING
November 15, 2001 3:30 PM Room 204, K-State Union

Present: Dubois, Hassan, Johnson, Lynch, Ransom, Rowlett, Rys, Schumm

Absent: Barker, Brigham, Doan, Hancock, Hartman, Oberst, Turnley

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by John Johnson, Chair, at 3:34 p.m.

II. Approval of minutes

The minutes were approved as distributed.

III. Announcements/Questions

A. Johnson announced that at the FSLC/Central Administration meeting, Provost Coffman showed interested in the survey results of faculty that have left KSU in the last five years. FSCOUP members discussed faculty involvement with university planning and that there has been improvement in this area in the last ten years, but faculty involvement does vary significantly in the different colleges. Dubois mentioned that some departments are still operating with a very outdated Department Head Manual. Rowlett reported that the old version has been taken off the web two weeks ago.

B. Schumm reported that Bob Poresky, a senator from the College of Human Ecology, died on Tuesday. He had been with the university since 1972. A memorial service will be held after Thanksgiving. Jane Rowlett said she could send a message out on the listserve when a date for the service has been set. Dubois reported that Harry Knostman, a retired Architectural Engineering professor, died this last week. Ransom said that he had been a member of FSCOUP for several years.

IV. Old Business

A. VPAST Technology Plan

Johnson said that there was nothing new to report on this issue. Vice Provost Unger has other issues that she would like to talk about in the future.

B. Status of CCOP's

Johnson asked members to give him a list of who there CCOP's members are and the activities they are involved with.

C. Campus Development Plan

Johnson reported that two projects that were mentioned at the last Campus Development Planning meeting were: 1) the demolition of Denison Hall and the English Department moving to Lafene; and 2) the renovation of Jardine Terrace. Concern was raised on the Denison Hall demolition because there is no classroom space available in Lafene; only office space. The project has a \$500,000 budget which is only enough to demolish Denison Hall. There is one large classroom in Denison and several small classrooms. Facilities has said that the classes held in this building can be assigned elsewhere by Schedule 25, but will be scattered across campus. Lynch mentioned that this puts more pressure elsewhere for classroom space and could cause problems in the future.

Johnson reported that firms are being interviewed this week for the Jardine Terrace Project. The current buildings will be totally demolished and the new plan calls for apartments, group quarters, and learning living centers. FSCOUP members were concerned about whether international students, graduate students, and students from low income families would be able to find housing if Jardine is not available.

Johnson mentioned that another item that was discussed was the biosecurity building and that 40 million dollars would be needed for the project. A presentation will be made to legislators this week. KSU is look at a five year program and hoping the state will underwrite bonds for it. The university would be left to cover the remainder of the 20 year period unless federal money could be obtained.

The committee turned in a draft of the Executive Summary for the long range plan to HNTB. The three things they are concentrating on are: factual, concept, and language.

D. Other

Johnson reported that memorial trees for victims of the September 11th act of terrorism had been planted in front of the Union. Students went to President Wefald and requested that this be done.

V. New Business

A. Budget

Johnson reported that the budget meetings are in progress and he would like to have all of the college meetings over before any information is put out. Johnson distributed two handouts. The tables show money generated from the technology fee and additional tuition over several years. This additional money will be spent on student financial aid to those eligible, central technology infrastructure, OOE, and flexibility funds for departments, colleges and central administration. FSCOUP members expressed concern about whether the technology fee money will filter down to departments to update their own computer labs and equipment rather than the big computer labs around campus. The committee agreed that administration needs to be totally honest with students about where this extra money will be going and what is and what is not being funded with it. There was an article in the Collegian that said some of this money would go toward faculty salaries which is

not the case.

The university-wide forum on university financing and tuition structure will be held on December 6, which was FSCOUP's meeting time. Johnson suggested that FSCOUP may want to meet the following week to discuss issues that come up at the forum. Dubois suggested that Johnson raise issues mentioned by FSCOUP members at the next FSLC/central administration meeting.

- VI. For the Good of the University
There were no items for the good of the university.
- VII. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.