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FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING March 7, 2002 3:30 PM Room 204, K-State Union

Present: Hartman, Hassan, Johnson, Lynch, Oberst, Turnley

Absent: Barker, Brigham, Doan, Dubois, Hancock, Ransom, Rowlett, Rys, Schumm

- I. Call to order The meeting was called to order by John Johnson, Chair at 3:36 p.m.
- II. Approval of minutes The minutes were approved as distributed.

III. Announcements/Questions

A. Faculty Senate Leadership

Johnson reported that at the last Leadership meeting, they heard the worst and best case scenerios for the budget. There will definitely be budget cuts, but it is not yet known what percentage will need to be cut. The Provost has said that faculty that received promotions will receive salary increases, but there probably will be no other salary increases.

Johnson also reported that Provost Coffman, Vice President Rawson, and the Deans of Business Administration and Engineering will be meeting to discuss the fee structure. Those two colleges may have higher fees in order to increase faculty salaries in their colleges. They are currently losing faculty with most leaving to get jobs with large salary increases.

B. Kansas Board of Regents

Johnson reported that the BOR proposed a 54 hour rule that required students to have at least 54 hours of upper level courses to graduate. Washburn wants to allow students to come in with up to 80 hours and then graduate from their college. A rule is in place that allows students to bring in 60 hours. The new rule could cause real problems for some universities.

Johnson also reported that at the last BOR meeting, KU made a presentation comparing money that the state of Kansas appropriates to public schools and what other states appropriate to Big 12 universities. Kansas does not support higher education very well. The amount of money appropriated for public schools has gone done in the last 15 years and other universities in the Big 12 get more money per student than Kansas universities.

C. Other - none

IV. Old Business

A. Budget

Johnson reported that nothing will be happening with the budget at the state level for another month. KSU will make another presentation to the Board of Regents next week that will outline in detail our tuition and fee structure.

B. Campus Development Plan

Johnson reported that HNTB will be making a presentation on March 12, from 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. in the Union Big 12 Room. He will make a brief introduction and then HNTB will make a presentation and there will be time for questions. Johnson distributed the long range plan and told FSCOUP members to look it over and if they have any questions, they can ask HNTB at the presentation.

Johnson said that major physical changes to the campus proposed in the long-range plan are the vehicular flow of traffic and the addition of three parking garages. The campus will be more of a pedestrian campus with Claflin Road will be closed to traffic through campus and two streets on the east side of campus will be closed.

HNTB has mentioned new signage will be needed to direct people. Johnson said they will need to put a lot of serious consideration into this in order to get people to where they need to be on campus. In the plan, East Stadium will be converted into a Visitors Center. We also need to look into who will be expected to park in the garages and also the traffic flow around them at peak times.

An item that does not seem to be addressed well in the long-range plan is future classroom. HNTB is using the current computer program for scheduling space, Schedule 25, to base their analysis of classroom space on for the next fifty years. The committee agreed that this approach is not the best way to look at our space needs.

FSCOUP members also discussed the five year plan that the Advisory Committee on Campus Development and Planning. Johnson said that he has gotten the minutes of their meetings from 2000 and has a list of the project updates and ideas. He will get a complete list of the projects and present it to Faculty Senate.

Another concern of some FSCOUP members is the land that Animal Science is selling. The land was originally owned by Bluemont College and was given to the state to create KSU Agriculture College. It is a historic piece of land and once it is gone, it is gone forever. Some members felt like selling the land is a quick fix for financial problems, but it may not help much in the future.

C. Classroom Scheduling

Lynch said he is on the subcommittee to discuss classroom scheduling but they have not met yet. Johnson said he would get in touch with Walt Schumm, chair of the subcommittee, and ask that they have a report ready for the Faculty Senate meeting in May.

- V. New Business none
- VI. For the Good of the University

Johnson said he will not be chair of FSCOUP next year. Members of the committee need to think about volunteering to be chair. This item will be on the next agenda.

Johnson said the next FSCOUP meeting is cancelled due to it being scheduled during spring break. The next FSCOUP meeting will be held on April 4.

VII. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.