

MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING
April 18, 2002 3:30 PM Room 204, K-State Union

Present: Cook, Hancock, Hassan, Johnson, Lynch, Rys, Schumm

Absent: Brigham, Doan, Dubois, Hartman, Oberst, Ransom, Rowlett, Turnley

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by John Johnson, Chair, at 3:38 p.m.

II. Approval of minutes

The minutes were approved as distributed.

III. Announcements/Questions

A. Faculty Senate Leadership

Johnson said that Faculty Senate Leadership Council has not met since the last FSCOU meeting.

IV. Old Business

A. Budget

Johnson said there was nothing new to report on the budget. Everyone is waiting to see how much the cut will be. Peer institutions are taking cuts larger than what K-State is looking at. Johnson said this issue will be around for the foreseeable future.

B. Campus Development Plan

Johnson reported that he couldn't attend the last Campus Development Committee meeting, but has received the minutes. The broadsheet for the long range master plan should run in the Collegian by the end of April and will be on a website.

C. Classroom Scheduling

Schumm said that he created a two page questionnaire for people who handle the line schedules in departments. Some of the items addressed are number of students in a class, days and time of the week class meets, and the type of room that is needed to teach the class. There would also be a section to mention particular problems they have encountered with room scheduling. Schumm said he would give a report on room scheduling at the May Faculty Senate meeting.

Johnson said that one of the biggest problems he sees is instructors not having classes in the buildings their offices are located in. After looking at the last line

schedule, he concluded that this problem affects Arts and Sciences the most.

Lynch said that with students paying higher technology fees in some colleges with the new tuition structure, as classes get larger and there isn't any way to increase classroom space, K-State will have to provide the space if students provide the money.

Johnson would like to see a subcommittee formed to look at these issues. K-State is looking at expanding the regular class day until 10:30 p.m., but many classrooms are used for meetings, societies, etc. Classrooms serve multiple purposes. Johnson said FSCOUP meets one more time before Faculty Senate so the committee can discuss this issue again.

FSCOUP members discussed sending out the room scheduling questionnaire over the summer. They want to make sure the appropriate people receive the survey and get ample time to fill out the survey.

D. Chair-Elect

Johnson announced that he may be interested in continuing on as chair. FSCOUP members were in favor of Johnson's decision.

Johnson said that FSCOUP will probably need to look into the following issues next year: 1) targeted excellence; 2) budget and tuition fees; 3) space - classroom and research; and 4) the financial exigency document in the Faculty Handbook. CCOP's may play a bigger role this next year due to budget cuts. FSCOUP members are ex-officio members of their college CCOP's.

E. Targeted Excellence

Johnson said he would like to see what the perceptions faculty have relative to KSU becoming a top ten land grant institution. He has a one page survey he would like to give to Faculty Senators sometime in the near future regarding targeted excellence. The timeline that has been established is that the criteria to become a top ten land grant institution will be identified this year. With so many universities taking budget hits, the ranking of top schools may change. Because of budget cuts everywhere, this may be a good time to make a move. Top land grant university libraries have ARL status and KSU will probably need to address this issue to become a top ten land grant university. It is hard to attract top scholars when you don't have ARL status for the library. **ATTACHMENT 1** (working group on Targeted Excellence)

V. New Business

A. Intellectual Property Policy

The committee discussed the Intellectual Property Policy that was brought up at the last two Faculty Senate meetings. Johnson said that the biggest disagreement is about the percent the inventor gets for royalties and the percent that goes to the university. The committee discussed the fact that if faculty were allowed to keep a

bigger percentage of their royalties, it would be an incentive to recruit for K-State or to keep faculty that are already here.

VI. For the Good of the University

A. 54 Hour Rule

Cook said he had just come back from the Board of Regents meeting and the 54 hour rule was discussed again. Johnson said that Arts and Sciences is hit harder by the rule than other colleges. There is discussion of changing the number of upper level required courses to 54 as a compromise.

B. Faculty Retention

FSCOUP members also discussed the fact that KSU is losing faculty to other universities because of salaries and also because faculty do not receive tenure unless they do research and have several publications. We have become a training ground for faculty to get experience and then move on to better jobs.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.