

MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING
May 2, 2002 3:30 PM Room 204, K-State Union

Present: Dubois, Hassan, Johnson, Lynch, Schumm

Absent: Brigham, Cook, Doan, Hancock, Hartman, Oberst, Ransom, Rowlett, Rys, Turnley

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by John Johnson, Chair, at 3:45 p.m.

II. Approval of minutes

The minutes were approved with the following correction: on the last page under VI. For the Good of the University A 54 Hour Rule - the last sentence should read "There is discussion of changing the number of upper level required courses to 45 as a compromise. Motion passed.

III. Announcements/Questions

A. Faculty Senate Leadership

Bluemont site: A small committee will be appointed by the Faculty Senate president to meet with administration to finalize plans for a marker on the site.

IV. Old Business

A. Budget

Johnson said there is nothing new to report on the budget.

B. Campus Development Plan

The broadsheet for the long range university master plan was in the Collegian earlier this week and should be in the Mercury soon. Johnson said he was disappointed about how input was requested. There was simply an indication of previous meetings and that more information was available. Johnson raised the possibility of setting up a planning subcommittee of FSCOUP made up of the four people on the Campus Development Subcommittees. This way FSCOUP could look at the issues before the subcommittees independent of the Campus Development Committee.

C. Classroom Scheduling

Schumm distributed the classroom scheduling survey. Plans are for the survey to be given to individuals that do classroom scheduling for departments. One of the questions from last year was whether Schedule 25 scheduled non classroom space, i.e., labs or studios. The answer is no. There is still questions about how non-classroom activities have been affected by Schedule 25. Johnson said that we have

to have a report for the May meeting of Senate.

Another issue from last year that Dubois again stated is the question of control of technology classrooms which both department and the university provide funds to renovate. This question is still not resolved. Until every classroom is wired for technology, this will probably be an ongoing issue. Lynch said that it would help if Schedule 25 would list the room they are assigned when they first look at the line schedule drafts rather than at the very end of the process.

D. Targeted Excellence

Johnson said that the Provost has reiterated that money will not be reallocated for targeted excellence and that only new funds will be used. FSCOUP members expressed concern that the main focus of targeted excellence seems to be on graduate research and that excellent undergraduate programs will be overlooked in the process. Johnson reported that the Provost will address targeted excellence at the State of the University Address next fall. Resources for targeted excellence are expected to come from tuition, grants, and the Foundation. Lynch said he would be against massive tuition increases and making the students pay for this project.

Johnson reported that the Faculty Senate Executive Committee asked him to wait to send out a faculty survey on this issue until budget matters have been addressed.

V. New Business

Schumm mentioned that he had heard that new faculty were hired and told they would become a university distinguished professor after a year in order to raise their salaries ten thousand dollars. Johnson said he would bring this up at FSLC.

VI. For the Good of the University

There were no items for the good of the university.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.