

MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING
September 20, 2001 3:30 PM Room 204, K-State Union

Present: Brigham, Hancock, Hassan, Johnson, Lynch, Oberst, Rys, Schumm, Turnley

Absent: Barker, Doan, Dubois, Hartman, Ransom, Rowlett

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by John Johnson, Chair, at 3:35 p.m.

II. Approval of minutes

The minutes of the September 6, 2001 FSCOUP meeting were approved. Johnson asked that the order of the agenda be changed and move to IV. Old Business D. Classrooms since Brigham had to leave at 4:00 p.m. and she is on the subcommittee looking into this issue.

IV. Old Business

D. Classrooms

Johnson announced that Walter Schumm has agreed to chair the subcommittee to look into classroom space. Johnson said he would gather input and write a charge for the committee. Some issues that came up last year at the open forum were: whether labs and studio space should be counted as classroom space, who has ownership of the classrooms especially after technology has been added, and the quality of rooms in terms of environment and non-technology. Hassan suggested that an e-mail be sent to faculty and get their input on problems they have encountered and what requirements they have for classroom space. Brigham mentioned that there is a question about who is responsible for the control and maintenance of a classroom after it has been made into a technology classroom. Johnson said he had information from several people that he will pass along to the subcommittee. Johnson reported that at the State of the University Address, President Wefald mentioned that now and in the future, department heads are more important to K-State. The teaching and learning environment of departments will also be crucial. The Planning Advisory Committee suggested that classes should be spread out through the day more, but students do not want to take classes at 7:30 a.m. and after 5:30 p.m. Lynch suggested that a policy needs to be written to guarantee a percentage of space in new buildings be dedicated to teaching. More and more space is dedicated to research.

III. Announcements/Questions

A. 15 Passenger Van Policy

Johnson reported that two days after the last FSCOUP meeting, an article came out in the Collegian that gave details of the new 15 Passenger Van Policy. The new policy will take effect near the end of the semester. Johnson has e-mailed Vice President Rawson regarding the liability of faculty driving university vans on university time. He has not heard back from Rawson yet. See this website for liability of faculty driving university vans:

<http://www.ksu.edu/policies/ppm/3040.html#icov>

B. Campus Smoking Policy

Johnson said that Cia Verschelden, Faculty Senate President, forwarded on the comments that came up at the last Faculty Senate meeting. Other comments should be forwarded to Vice President Rawson or Steve Galitzer.

C. Strategic Plan

The Strategic Planning Committee decided to wait on finishing their report until they could look at the issues that came up at the Budget Retreat last spring. Faculty Senate Leadership Council (FSLC) was to give their response to the draft report today. Johnson said he would send an electronic version of the draft report to FSCOUP members next week. **ATTACHMENT 1**

IV. Old Business

A. Library

Johnson reported that the Information Commons Implementation Task Force has disbanded and there are no plans for another committee. The Library is in the process of adding computers for the second phase. Wiring is needed for the stand-up terminals so they are not hooked up yet. Evaluation of this area will go through the University Library Committee.

B. VPAST Technology Plan

Vice Provost Beth Unger has agreed to meet with FSCOUP, FSCOT, and FSLC and explain what administration is proposing for technology infrastructure. Johnson reported that a total of fifteen to eighteen million dollars is being requested for technology, but we are not sure where the money will come from. The groups may be able to meet on October 1st at 3:30 p.m. and a room will be announced.

V. New Business

A. City/University Fund

Johnson reported that he forwarded on the prioritized items to administration for the City/University Fund that he sent to FSCOUP members in his e-mail. The items that were listed as most important were: (1) campus crosswalks/lighting, (2) bicycle infrastructure, (3) Denison Avenue/Claflin Rd intersection and street on up to Kimball Avenue, and (4) campus recycling.

B. Status of CCOP's

Several CCOP's reports were presented. Johnson encouraged the others to get their reports in by the next meeting.

C. Campus Development Plan

Johnson said that he attended the last Campus Development Planning Committee meeting and learned a lot about the university. He has forwarded the names of FSCOUP representatives on to the sub-committees chairs. Johnson said he is still needing Faculty Senate representatives for the following subcommittees: Building Project Review, Open Space, and Technology/Infrastructure. Johnson asked for a volunteer to take his place at the September 27th Campus Development Planning Committee meeting since he has a FSLC/Administration meeting at that time. HNTB will be making a presentation on the campus master plan so is important to have a representative there. Dick Oberst volunteered to attend the meeting.

Johnson reported on some of the items that came up at the meeting. The university has requested that the south tower of the two radio towers be torn down since it will cost as much to restore it as to tear it down. Also, the university is hoping to get eight to twelve million dollars seed money from the state to construct a Food Safety Research Building. Johnson also reported that HNTB will be meeting with the same groups they met with last year during October and November.

D. Classrooms - covered earlier in minutes

E. Budget issues

Next week FSLC will hear the budget presentation Rawson will make when he and Provost Coffman visit colleges on campus. Administration wants to include student leaders from the colleges and get their input since part of the funding package is tuition. In the Provost's State of the University address, he said the three main budget issues are: salaries, OOE, and technology. Faculty Senate will sponsor an open forum on the budget that will probably be scheduled after the first week in November. There was discussion about how tuition rates may be increased in some colleges to bring faculty salaries closer to their peers.

VI. For the Good of the University

Johnson encouraged FSCOUP members to use the listserve to address any concerns that may come up between meetings.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.