

**MINUTES**  
**KSU Faculty Senate Committee on University Planning**  
**Thursday, March 4, 3:30 pm**  
**Union 204**

Present: Bloodgood, Vontz, Keller, Martini, Garcia (for Honey), Flaming-Jackson, Watts, Valdovinos, and Cates.

1. Chair Tom Vontz called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.
2. The minutes of February 4, 2010 were approved.
3. Vontz opened the floor for discussion of President Schulz's proposed budget.
  - Generally, committee members were pleased with President Schulz's budget proposal. Members noted that the cuts were targeted, specific and well reasoned. Several members also noted that the process employed went as well as could be expected.
  - Several members expressed how much they appreciated President Schulz responding to all of the budget ideas that were submitted by FSCOUP, FSLC, SGA, and the Deans.
  - The committee agreed that it should write a memo to President Schulz that characterizes the 2009-2010 budget processes as an exemplar of shared governance. Some key features that made the process successful:
    - The process began early (July/August).
    - President Schulz and senior administrators worked with the FSLC to identify budget processes.
    - Budget processes were clearly identified and shared with KSU community.
    - The entire KSU community had the opportunity to participate.
    - The groups that were asked to evaluate budget reduction and revenue generation seriously considered every idea.
    - President Schulz made himself available to groups and individuals throughout the entire budget process—including conducting four open forums that emphasized questions about the budget.
    - President Schulz's PROPOSED budget included a rationale.
    - President Schulz's PROPOSED budget included responses to the budget ideas submitted by various campus groups.
  - In addition to these ideas, the committee also suggested that we encourage President Schulz to use FSCOUP and other Senate committees to assist in making important university decisions. One member also suggested that we remind President Schulz that FSCOUP is ready to assist with K-State 2025 whenever he believes the time is right for that assistance.
4. Vontz reported that Ron Trewyn, Vice President for Research, will be our guest speaker at the April meeting. Trewyn will provide FSCOUP with an update about NBAF and BRI.
5. Next Meeting: Thursday, April 1 at 3:30 in Union 204.  
Topic: NBAF and BRI