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KSU Faculty Senate Committee on University Planning
Thursday, October 1, 3:30 pm
Union 205

Present: Graham, Keller, Bloodgood, Vontz, Hohn, Martini, Honey, Watts, Collins, Cates, Valdovinos, and Henry.

1. Chair Tom Vontz called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.
2. Vontz made several announcements:
 - Vontz read President Schulz's response to FSCOUP's email inquiring about the role FSCOUP and faculty would serve in the evaluation phase of the budget reduction and revenue generation strategies.
 - Vontz shared a print copy of the memo FSCOUP sent to faculty senate encouraging submission of budget ideas and explaining the role of DCOPs and CCOPS.
 - Vontz reported that Cindy Bontrager was continuing to work on an expense report for 2009 university expenditures that provided more detail than the budget cards and less detail than the entire university budget.
 - Vontz reported that the Committee on Governmental Relations had not yet met but he was expecting an update from Sue Peterson soon.
 - Vontz announced that the Student Committee on Governmental Relations had planned to pair KSU students with their hometown representatives to share information about the impact of the budget cuts at KSU and the important roles KSU serves in Kansas.
 - Vontz read a memo from President Lehew welcoming them to the new academic year thanking them for their hard work.
3. Ben Champion, Director of Sustainability, gave a brief report to the committee on 1) the Report of the Sustainability Taskforce and 2) the Energy Education, inc. Proposal. Champion provided some context of these documents prior to his attendance and more extensive discussion of both at the next FSCOUP meeting.
4. Vontz opened the floor for discussion of criteria for the evaluation of budget reduction and revenue generation ideas. The committee discussed the following criteria:
 - Ideas resulting in long-term cost-savings or revenue generation should be preferred.
 - Ideas that are most consistent with our land-grant mission should be preferred.
 - Ideas that provide incentives for colleges, departments, and individuals to create new revenue streams using existing resources should be preferred.
 - Ideas that provide disincentives for colleges, departments, and individuals to continue programs or courses that are underutilized or under populated.
 - Ideas that are consistent with sustainability should be preferred.
 - Ideas that appropriately consider the workload of faculty (i.e., teaching, research, service) should be preferred.
 - Ideas that that involve faculty and staff in their implementation should be preferred.
5. The committee discussed President Schulz's response to the FSCOUP email of September 8. After some deliberation, the committee recommended chair Vontz to send an email to President Schulz specifying the role faculty FSCOUP would serve in the evaluation of ideas.
6. Next Meeting: Thursday, November 5 at 3:30 in Union 205.
Guest Speaker: Ben Champion; Topic: Sustainability