## Kansas State University Faculty Senate Professional Staff Affairs Minutes September 20, 2022, 3:30 – 5:00 pm Business Building 3046 or Zoom Meeting ID: 941 8938 1310 Passcode: 173481

Attendance: Mariya Vaughan, Casey Keller, Melissa Holmes, Mark Stadtlander, Mishelle Hay McCammant, Renee Gates, Tandy Rundus, Marta Richenburg, Monica Curnutt, Linda Craghead, Justin Wild, Monica Macfarlane

## Call to Order

- 1. Approval of September 6<sup>th</sup> minutes
- 2. New Business
  - a. Questions for Jay Stephens Document was created for PSA members to add their questions.
  - b. Shared Governance Meeting
    - i. USS Representation in FS
      - We are at a point where we need to do something.
      - Caucus with or without staff that are in a union
      - Faculty Senate does Faculty Senate need to change since staff are now involved?
      - Maybe there are committees and work that staff or faculty
      - Thoroughly investigate representation process and committee memberships
      - Custodial/trade staff need differing committee times to participate. Example, would a faculty member agree to a senate meeting from 6-7:30?
      - Term employees did not have representation several years ago.
      - Historically, there was not uniform (from colleges) representation as there were limited numbers in some colleges.
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    - ii. Changing staff classification
      - Affects 400-500 employees
      - One type of staff?
      - USS to Unclassified?
        - a. Benefits for classified employees: KPERS, longevity bonuses.
        - b. It is going to be a temporary change due to already pending changes happening.
        - c. Mindy Markham has drafted a document to build from. Ideally, first reading by Faculty Senate in March and 2nd reading in April.
  - c. Exception for Regular Contract Staff that move to Term Contract
    - i. There is a 5yr rule issue. 5 yr in Term position even if on a regular contract for more than 5 years. Thus, some are in limbo as they are unable to benefit. Take to Fac Affairs and Fringe Benefits committee.

- ii. Suggestion to make the 5 yr service to 2 years. Or, why is there a difference in how we treat all employees. The process was set up since some term employees were hired for single projects/grants or to cover work for a set period. There are some employees with 20-30 years of employment on in a term position.
- iii. Do we need contracts every year? Or reappointments for all? Could save time for dean's office staff.
- d.
- 3. Old Business
  - a. Goals/Yearlong agenda topics Assignment of Committee Members to Year Long Goals
    - i. Add remote opportunities to job postings-in process (should be listed as fully remote, hybrid, campus only) Currently an option to sort on job page.
      - The link is being made
    - ii. Ombudsperson language changes—on-going
    - iii. Resolution of support
    - iv. Strategic planning involvement
    - v. 5-year review language clarification (Handbook committee) C159.3 and C159.9 Mariya and Tandy
      - Where is oversight on 5 year review to ensure staff and necessary personnel are included?
      - Ensuring that staff are included
      - Does the language mean direct reports only or everyone in the organization lineage?
    - vi. Compensation/Career Ladders
      - Casey and Monica C. work continuing/on-going
    - vii. Docking survey follow-up listening sessions
      - Linda,
      - Give central administration additional information to help guide policies and decisions from a solution-seeking perspective. Issue has been raising problems and issuing complaints. We need to provide potential ways to resolve issues. One item is to address the process for involvement and inclusion.
  - b. Committee Roles:
    - Co-chairs (filled)
    - Secretary (filled)
    - Salary and Fringe Benefits committee rep <u>https://ksuemailprod.sharepoint.com/:w:/r/sites/ProfessionalStaffAffairs/Shared%2</u> <u>0Documents/General/PSA%20Committee%20Roles.docx?d=w7e23beb747ca4411b0</u> <u>d0ccf0f0350445&csf=1&web=1&e=0CuExF</u>
  - c. Board of Regents UPS (University Professional Staff) committee responsibilities 23-24 preparation
  - d. CCOP (College Committee on Planning) Integration Continuing, send questions/comments to Renee or Mishelle.
  - e. Other
- 4. Other Business
  - a. SGA Report Opportunities for committees, ask to determine interest
  - b. USS Report No report other than what was already reported (preceding/above)
  - c. Term Staff Report meeting coming up
  - d. Salary and Fringe Benefits Committee Report

- e. Shared Governance 5 yr evaluation process may not include staff / oversight needed to ensure staff representation for shared governance
- 5. Adjourn