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Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate
Minutes for March 1, 2010
3:36 PM Stouffer Lounge

1. Minutes of the February 2010 meeting were approved. Attendance for February was approved and Attendance for December was approved as corrected (Mary Alice Wade was in attendance).
2. Informational Items
 - a. Board of Regents November meeting
 - i. Budgetary items were discussed with no conclusions or report available at this time.
 - ii. Admission standards were discussed and we should be receiving a draft soon.
 - b. COFSP meeting
 - i. A draft of The Faculty Input Survey from ESU was distributed for our information only. ESU is the only KBOR university doing this at this time.
 - ii. All other BOR universities passed an Economic Support Motion with the exception of WSU.
 - c. President's Cabinet
 - i. NSSE will be available for all freshman and seniors. We were asked to encourage our student to participate in this survey.
 - ii. The FSSE will be available again this spring.
3. Presentations by Guests
 - a. Brenda Herrman, Director of Public Works/Airport Manager, encouraged us to utilize the Hays Airport. She stated that if 10,000 passengers a year use the services, the Hays Airport is eligible for grant monies. There will be a "Fly In" function at the airport on July 17, 2010. She invited everyone to attend. There will be events for children and a shuttle service to downtown.
 - b. Kent Steward and Suzanne Klaus reported on the new FHSU brand. FHSU invested a quarter of a million dollars into the new brand. If anyone wants materials to give away (flyers etc.) we can get the materials through Kent Steward's office. FHSU is becoming webcentric. In response to a question, Suzanne Klaus stated that the FHSU Faculty Senate web page will be up and running soon.
4. Reports from Committees
 - a. Academic Affairs: Two courses submitted were approved.
 - i. IDS 111 (A new title is forthcoming)
 - ii. HIST 602 Introduction to Public History
 - iii. The motion: Immediate Course Approval Procedures (attached) was approved with corrections. The title vice provost was changed to assistant provost in the document.
 - b. University Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships: Dr. Chap Rackaway reported that a brief survey of how faculty wants to use the new website will be available shortly.
 - c. University Affairs:

- i. Rita Hauck reported that the Dean and Chair Evaluation was sent to the Deans and Chairs for their review and feedback. They made some recommendations that were discussed at the University Affairs meeting. No changes were made to the draft. Carol Patrick is putting it into a Likert scale format and it will be available at the next Faculty Senate meeting for review.
 - ii. AAUP asked the University Affairs committee to review Intellectual Property documents and policies and give them feedback before their Spring negotiations with administration. Carol Patrick will give AAUP our feedback that focuses on seeking more specificity regarding courses developed contractually with the Virtual College.
5. Reports from Special Committees and Other Representatives - none
6. Unfinished Business – none
7. New Business :
 - a. The FHSU Faculty Senate will be taking nominations for Vice-President. We need to vote in April. Contact Jeff Burnett or Rita Hauck.
 - b. Dr. Gould reported that a new project to update the University Catalogue will be beginning soon. We've lost some historical memory with resignations and changes in personnel. We also will be changing software and this gives us the opportunity to re-structure course management, both with the system and the process. The Faculty Senate suggested that the Academic Affairs committee could assist in recommending a reasonable process for this project.
8. The Faculty Senate regular meeting adjourned at 4:31 PM.