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Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate
Minutes for Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 4, 2011
(3:30pm, Stouffer Lounge)

1. Approval of Minutes and Attendance of Prior Meeting

(Attachments A and B)

*Kathi Sanders moved, Kenton Russell seconded to approve the minutes as printed.
Motion carried.*

2. Announcements and Information Items:

2a. Kansas Board of Regents

- Transferability of Community College courses

President Rackaway reported that there is no news yet. He will keep us updated.

2b. President's Cabinet

- Strategic Planning process

The process has begun! Applications for Action Plan monies have been submitted to chairs and deans.

A question was asked about a database to track Community College students to the University. Chap will follow up on this.

3. Reports from Committees –

3a. Executive Committee: Chapman Rackaway, Chair

- *No report.*

3b. Academic Affairs: Jeffrey Burnett, Chair

- Courses to be approved
 - PHIL 140 Philosophy and the Bible: Old Testament
 - PHIL 170 World Religions
 - PHIL 240 Philosophy and the Bible: New Testament
 - PHIL 350 Philosophy of Mind
 - PHIL 370 Eastern Philosophy

The Academic Affairs Committee moved to accept all Philosophy courses. (The Academic Affairs Committee voted 6 for; 0 against; 3 abstentions to accept these new Philosophy courses.) Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.

Motion carried.

- PSY 201 The Science of Psychology

The Academic Affairs Committee moved to accept PSY 201. (The Academic Affairs Committee voted 8 for; 1 against to accept this course.) Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.

Motion carried.

- PSY 225 Introduction to Therapeutic Skills

The Academic Affairs Committee moved to accept PSY 225. (The Academic Affairs Committee voted 8 for; 1 against to accept this course.) Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.

Motion carried.

- PSY 325 Psychology of Human Sexuality

The Academic Affairs Committee moved to accept PSY 325. (The Academic Affairs Committee voted 9 for; 0 against to accept this course.) Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.

Motion carried.

- PSY 357 Forensic Psychology

The Academic Affairs Committee moved to accept PSY 357. (The Academic Affairs Committee voted 9 for; 0 against to accept this course.) Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.

Motion carried.

- PSY 359 Evolutionary Psychology

The Academic Affairs Committee moved to accept PSY 359. (The Academic Affairs Committee voted 8 for; 1 against to accept this course.) Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.

Motion carried.

- The committee passed the following resolution: The Academic Affairs Committee of Faculty Senate **supports the establishment of** a Faculty Development Speaker Series with continuation dependent on post-evaluation results. (9-0-0)3c.

*The Academic Affairs Committee asks that the Senate **endorse** the proposed speaker series. This was originally was discussed in Faculty Development and passed 5-0. It was then brought to Academic Affairs and passed 9-0. The logistics will be worked out through the Faculty Senate leadership, in concert with the Provost's office.*

*Fred Britten moved to amend the motion to strike the words "The Academic Affairs Committee of." Lorie Cook-Benjamin seconded the motion. The amended motion states: **"The Faculty Senate supports the establishment of a Faculty Development Speaker Series with continuation dependent on post-evaluation results."***

The motion to amendment carried.

The resolution as amended carried.

3c. Student Affairs: Denise Orth, Chair

Denise attended the SGA Student Affairs committee. They are organizing a "campus walk" and encourage other student organizations to walk around campus to assess the lighting.

3d. University Affairs: Emily Breit, Chair

- Faculty Morale Survey

The Faculty Morale Survey is in the process of being developed. It should be ready at the next meeting.

3e. By-Laws and Standing Rules: Rita Hauck, Chair

- Review of By-Laws Update

The committee noted that the bylaws were last revised in December 2002. Rita reported that representation on the Senate will remain the same, with the possible exception of Biology.

The bylaws are on the Faculty Senate website; <http://www.fhsu.edu/faculty-senate/bylaws/>

3f. University Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships: Lorie Cook-Benjamin, Chair

- The committee passed a resolution to add the country (USA) and country phone code (1) to all new FHSU business card orders.

Hsin-Yen Yang spoke to the rationale behind the resolution. The business card would be more "forward thinking, world ready" by having the country code and name on the card. The University Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships Committee moved this resolution, therefore no second was needed.

"The Faculty Senate supports the addition of country (USA) and country phone code (1) to all new FHSU business card orders."

Motion carried.

- The development of www.fhsu.edu versus Tiger Central
David Schmidt has been invited to visit with the committee regarding the FHSU website and Tiger Central. The committee will have more to report at the next Senate meeting.

4. Reports from Special Committees and Other Representatives

4a. Red Balloon Task Force

President Rackaway has appointed a committee and will have a report at the next Senate meeting.

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

There was a question about "No Smoking" signs around the campus. Provost Gould reported that signs would be posted on campus.

There was a question about the Faculty Development Series. This will be an additional charge of the Academic Affairs Committee

7. Adjournment of Regular Faculty Senate Meeting

*Jeff Burnett moved; Helen Miles seconded to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.*