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1. Approval of Minutes and Attendance of March 5 Meeting
   (Attachments A and B)
   *It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes and attendance of the regular meeting.
   Motion carried.*

2. Announcements and Information Items
   *The meeting began with a moment of silence in memory of Dr. Fred Ruda, chair of the Technology Department.*

3. Reports from Committees –
   3a. Executive Committee: Chapman Rackaway, Chair
   - Board of Regents
     - Master of Professional Studies degree approved
     - KAMS students recognized at KBOR
     - Shared Leave
     - “Helping Our Troops”
   - Committee Assignments for 2012-2013
     - Committee assignments have been submitted.

   3b. Academic Affairs: Jeffrey Burnett, Chair
   - Update
     *There will be several courses to be approved at the May meeting.*

   3c. Student Affairs: Denise Orth, Chair
   - Early IQ
     *Denise reported that the committee will begin an open dialogue with Tesa Mason and the Office of Student Affairs.*

   3d. University Affairs: Emily Breit, Chair
   - Faculty Morale Survey
     *Emily asked for comments from Senators regarding the survey. The final report will be distributed in May.*

   3e. By-Laws and Standing Rules: Rita Hauck, Chair
   - Standing Rule #10: Draft Policy for Use of Faculty Lounge (See Attachment)
     *The By-laws and Standing Rules Committee moved to adopt the Policy for Use of Faculty Lounge. After discussion, the motion carried.*
   - Bylaws Update
     *Rita has contacted chairs regarding the election of Senators for the next year.*

3f. University Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships: Lorie Cook-Benjamin, Chair
   - FHSU.edu Web Site Resolution #2 (See Attachment)
     *The University Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships Committee moved to adopt #1. The web services group, with central authority over the site but not an officially recognized committee, become an FHSU standing committee having faculty representation. After discussion, the motion was withdrawn. The committee will re-visit this issue and bring a motion to the May meeting.*
The Committee moved to adopt #2. Update the web site template to make it more user-friendly for all stakeholders or provide alternatives for users that are not the web site’s target audience.
After discussion, Lanee Young moved; Kathi Sanders seconded to send this item back to the committee.
The main motion was withdrawn and will be re-visited in committee.

The Committee moved to adopt #3. To be forward thinking and maintain an advantage over the competition, the web site needs to move away from only disseminating information to a site that is more interactive, reflecting a web 2.0 style which provides users with “...tools that empower us to create, produce, collaborate, and participate in shared learning and citizenship in local-to-global contexts” (Berry, 2011, p. 79).
After discussion, the committee will re-visit this item.

The Committee moved to adopt #4. Members of the University Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships Committee and representatives of the CTC and University Relations meet with Dr. Hammond to discuss this resolution.
After discussion, it was decided that a motion was not necessary. The committee will meet with Dr. Hammond.

4. Reports from Special Committees and Other Representatives
   None

5. Old Business
   5a. Faculty Senate Elections 2012-2013
       President-elect – Stephen Donnelly
       Secretary – Janet Stramel

       Chap Rackaway asked for other nominations for President-elect.
       Fred Britten moved to elect Stephen Donnelly by acclamation. Kathi Sanders seconded the motion. Motion carried.

       Chap Rackaway asked for other nominations for Secretary.
       Cheryl Duffy moved to elect Janet Stramel by acclamation. Kenton Russell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

   5b. Consideration of Tabled Motion
       Doug Drabkin moved to discuss the tabled motion. Since there was no second, the motion failed.

6. New Business
   6a. Summer Report for Forsyth Library
       Cynthia Garrety gave an overview of the report.

7. Adjournment of Regular Faculty Senate Meeting –
   It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.
   Meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

Next Meeting – Monday, May 7, 3:30 in the Eagle Communications Hall at the Robbins Center