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Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate
Minutes for Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 4, 2012
(3:30pm, Stouffer Lounge)

1. Approval of Minutes and Attendance of Prior Meeting

(Attachments A and B)

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes as amended and attendance of the November 2012 meeting.

Motion carried.

2. Announcements and Information Items:

2a. Kansas Board of Regents

- Post Tenure Review (review cycle, developmental, peer-reviewed, university professor status, developed by each university by faculty)

The second reading will be at the next Regents December 18 meeting.

Emily has met with the Provost to discuss how FHSU would proceed.

Emily will send out the policy for input/feedback.

Emily shared a document from the University of Kansas Faculty Senate approved on November 8, 2012, "Statement of Principles on Post-Tenure Review."

2b. President's Cabinet

- Retention
 - Strategies (Freshmen Course, Freshmen Advising, Block Courses)
- Strategic Planning Process

The President and Vice-President of Faculty Senate are involved in this process and were given the opportunity to rank the action plans. The University Forum will be on Wednesday, December 5, 2012.

3. Reports from Committees –

3a. Executive Committee: Emily Breit, Chair

3b. Academic Affairs: Jeffrey Burnett, Chair

No courses to approve at this time.

3c. Student Affairs: Denise Orth, Chair

No report.

3d. University Affairs: Sharla Hutchison, Chair

Sharla handed out "Use of Computing Resources," as well as a Memorandum from the State of Kansas regarding political activities of state employees.

3e. By-Laws and Standing Rules: Chapman Rackaway, Chair

Chap discussed the committee charge of term limits for senators and moved the following resolution:

Amend the Bylaws to read: Faculty Senate By-Laws and Standing Rules Committee recommends the following addition to Article III, Section 3, Subsection C1:Academic

Departments are strongly encouraged to select representatives to serve on the Faculty Senate for no more than two full terms consecutively.

Fred Britten moved to postpone this motion to the February meeting. Eric Deyo seconded and the motion carried.

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

- See UMSAP attachment for report

The report was amended to include Lorie Cook-Benjamin to the list of names in attendance at the meeting.

4. Reports from Special Committees and Other Representatives

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

- Freshman Success Plan – Joey Linn & Jeff Briggs
*Joey and Jeff outlined the Qualified Admissions Window (House Bill 2745), which requires those students admitted under an exception to the minimum admissions standards prescribed by the KBOR for academic years 2012-13 and 2013-14, adopt an individual plan for success.
This document is in draft form and the committee wants feedback. Please direct comments to Joey Linn.*
- Freshman Foundations – Chris Crawford
The goal is to enroll freshmen in freshman courses; setting a “pre-selected list of courses for freshmen.” Emily will recommend a Faculty Senate representative to the committee on Freshman Foundations.

There was a question about entering a grade of “U” and the “last date of attendance.” This is a requirement of Title IV Aid funding.

7. Adjournment of Regular Faculty Senate Meeting

*Kathi Sanders moved; Charles Gnizak seconded to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 4:43 p.m.*