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Minutes of the Fort Hays State University
Faculty Senate
April 3, 1995

A. President Dianna Koerner called the meeting of the Faculty Senate to order in the Pioneer Lounge Room of the Memorial Union on April 3, 1995 at 3:34 p.m.

B. Senators present were James Murphy, Warren Shaffer, Robert Stephenson, Martha Holmes, Frank Potter (for Gary Hulett), Ann McClure, Joan Rumpel, Sandra Rupp, Max Rumpel, Stephen Shapiro, Bruce Bardwell, Kathy Rupp (for Fred Britten), Jim Lee (for Tom Johansen), Albert Geritz, Steven Trout (for Richard Leeson), Evelyn Toft, Richard Zakrzewski (for Ken Neuhauser), Helen Miles, Norman Caulfield, Anita Gordon-Gilmore, Mohammad Riazi, Lewis Miller, Martin Shapiro, Michelle Hull-Knowles, Richard Huguen, Keith Krueger, Joseph Aistrup, Robert Markley, Marc Pratarelli, Alice Humphreys, and Bill Havice.

Senators absent were Joanne Harwick, Mike Miller, John Durham, Donna Ortiz, John Zody, Eileen Deges-Curl, Merlene Lyman, and Debora Scheffel.

The Guests of the Senate were Dolores Furtado, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), National Council member, Jay Mandt, Kansas Chapter of AAUP, President, and Tammi Harris, Leader reporter.

C. The minutes of the March 7, 1995 were approved as printed.

D. For the Good of the University: Dolores Furtado, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), National Council member and Jay Mandt, Kansas Chapter of AAUP, President, each made a presentation about the importance of Faculty Governance. Prior to the Faculty Senate meeting, both had made presentations as part of an Academic Freedom Program sponsored by the University Association. A video of Dolores Furtado's presentation and a copy of Jay Mandt's speech were placed on reserve at Forsyth Library.

E. Announcements

1. See agenda for written announcements.
2. Concerning announcement #4, the President approved Senate Recommendation #18 about out-of-state travel. This concern has already been discussed with the appropriate individual at the state level.
3. Concerning announcement #4, there some minor word changes suggested to Senate Recommendation #25 about Chapter 3. The recommendation will be returned to University Affairs to make sure that these are acceptable changes.
4. Regent Bill Docking will be on campus on Friday, April 21. Regent Docking will be meeting with the executive committee members of Faculty Senate, Classified Senate and the Student Government Association from 1:40-2:10 pm in the basement of Forsyth Library.

5. In the near future, the Provost will be clarifying the information he would like included in the tenure and promotion files. This follows up a memo sent to chairs last year that was received the day before tenure packets were due.

6. President Dianna Koerner advised the senate that in the future the Hays Medical Center may take over the Student Health Center on campus. There is concern about what the cost for services may be for students.

7. The Provost has agreed to order copies of the booklet, "Serving on Promotion and Tenure Committees - A Faculty Guide" for each department.

F. Standing Committees

1. Academic Affairs -- No report
2. By-laws and Standing Rules -- Senator Richard Huguen
 - a. Elections were held. The president-elect is Jean Gleichsner and the secretary is Joe Aistrup for 1995-96.
3. External Affairs and Faculty Salary -- No report
4. Student Affairs -- No report
5. University Affairs -- No report

G. Old Business

1. President Koerner reported that Senate Recommendation #20 concerning the addition of civilization courses in modern languages was not approved by President Edward Hammond for inclusion in the General Education Program (attachment A to the agenda). The recommendation has been returned to Academic Affairs.

Senator Evelyn Toft expressed concern that the Modern Languages Department was not aware of this decision until receiving the Faculty Senate agenda with the attached memo.

President Koerner indicated that since it was a Faculty Senate recommendation it was only appropriate that the issue be returned to Faculty Senate and not the Modern Languages Department.

H. New Business

1. Senator Keith Krueger wanted to know if the Student Health Center would be willing to verify in writing the extent of a student's illness. President Koerner mentioned that it does involve an immense amount of paperwork for the staff at the center. Senator Michelle Hull-Knowles added that it may also be a question of a student's right to confidentiality. The issue was sent to Student Affairs for further study.

I. Reports from Liaisons

1. Classified Senate -- No report
2. Instructional Technology Policy Advisory Committee -- No report
3. Faculty & Staff Development -- No report
4. Library Committee -- Senator Jean Gleichsner

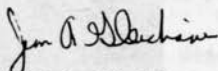
All discretionary fund requests will be funded this year. Departments requesting journals will be asked to confirm in writing the willingness to fund journals in subsequent years. In fact, the number of requests received was less than the amount available for discretionary funds.

5. Student Government Association -- No report
6. General Education Committee -- No report
7. Faculty & Staff Development -- Senator Martha Holmes

The committee is working on the assessment of the General Education Program. In development is a handbook for advisors about the General Education Program.

J. The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Jean A. Gleichsner
Secretary