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Minutes of Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate
7 October 1996

A. President Jean Gleichsner called the meeting to order in the Pioneer Lounge of the Memorial Union on October 7, 1996, at 3:30 p.m.

B. Senators Present were: Tom Guss, Bob Stephenson, James Murphy, Alan Schoer, Martha Holmes, Richard Packauskas, Greg Farley, Ann McClure, Richard Peters, Max Rumpel, Stephen Shapiro, Fred Britten, John Durham, Jean Anna Sellers, Steven Trout, David Ison, Kenneth Neuhauser, Steven Sedbrook, Helen Miles, Ann Liston, Phyllis Schmidt, Ona Lou Britton, Erv Eltze, Evelyn Toft, Dan Delisi, Martin Shapiro, Dianna Koerner, Dean Zerr, Richard Hughen, Roger Pruitt, Joseph Aistrup, Arthur Morin, Robert Markley, Alice Humphreys, Craig Shwery, Debora Scheffel, Don Barton.

Senators absent: Michael Miller, Bruce Bardwell, Thomas Johansen.

Guests of the Senate were: Judy Getty, Dean Larry Gould, Drs. Keith Campbell, Jay Gillette, Ray Wilson, and Mike Leikam.

C. The senate approved the minutes of the May 1996 meeting.

D. Guest Speaker: Judy Getty.

Ms. Getty explained the new enrollment procedure. This allows students to enroll at the end of the fall semester or prior to the beginning of Spring semester enrollment. Thus, the students do not have to be present during the regular enrollment dates.

E. Announcements: (Refer to agenda)

F. Standing Committees:

1. Academic Affairs - Senator Martha Holmes

a. The committee recommended to the senate that the University redesignate B.S. degrees to B.B.A. degrees in the Department of Computer and Information Systems. The motion passed.

b. Approval of IDS 388 Topics in Ethnic Studies was recommended to the senate. The senate approved the new course.

c. POLS 402 Public Policy, Law Ethics in Information Networking was recommended for approval to the senate. The senate approved the new course.

2. Bylaws and Standing Rules - Senator Richard Hughen

a. Written roll call will be taken in the future in an attempt to shorten meetings.

3. External Affairs and Faculty Salary - Senator Dianna Koerner

a. The committee presented the Sabbatical Leave Policy to be approved by the senate.
-Joe Aistrup moved that faculty on 12 month appointments be paid for 6 months instead of 5 months. The amendment passed.
-Tom Guss moved that the 4% allowed for faculty sabbaticals be changed to 10%. The amendment failed.
-John Durham moved to change policy to "provide up to an additional 6%." The amendment failed.

4. Student Affairs - Senator Craig Shwery

-No Report

5. University Affairs - Senator Martin Shapiro

a) Motion: A faculty senator from each academic department should prepare a list of recent occurrences in which tenure-track (first and second year) faculty were denied employment. Furthermore, the senator should also request from the faculty chair, information concerning departmental or college policies followed in determining termination of first or second year tenure-track faculty. Senators should report results of this survey to the chair of the University Affairs Committee. Motion failed.

G. Old Business

1. Dr. Durham moved that the Senate accept President Hammond's draft of the Four-year Guarantee Degree. Ann McClure seconded and the motion passed.

2. Chairs and secretaries have been elected for standing committees.

H. New Business

1. Motion from Steven Trout (Library Liaison): The faculty senate believes that all ~~practical~~ measures, short of cuts in faculty salaries, should be taken to create additional funding for library acquisitions. The goal of FHSU, over the next five years, should be to place our library collections on a par with those of our official peer institutions. Moreover, we request that another AMIGOS survey be conducted at the end of this period, as a means of determining our progress. -The motion passed.

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As a result of concern expressed by senators that books requested by departments had not been ordered by the library, John Durham made a motion that the library liaison investigate the situation and determine an explanation. David Ison seconded the motion. Motion passed.

2. Proposed change to Tenure Policy of the Board of Regents discussed at the September meeting of the Council of Chief Academic Officers.
Motion: The Faculty Senate at Fort Hays State University strongly opposes any change in the Tenure Policy of the Board of Regents that would deny any full-time instructor tenure if that individual meets the requirements for tenure. Motion was tabled.

I. Reports from Liaisons - No reports.

J. Adjournment: 5:10 p.m.

Phyllis Schmidt