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Minutes of Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate
5 November 1996

A. President Jean Gleichsner called the meeting to order in the Pioneer Lounge of the Memorial Union on November 5, 1996, at 3:30 p.m.

B. Senators present were: Joe Aistrup, Fred Britten, Dan Delisi, Ervin Eltze, Lloyd Frerer (for Bruce Bardwell), Jean Gleichsner, Tom Guss, Jerry Haag (for Tom Johansen), Martha Holmes, Richard Huguen, Alice Humphreys, David Ison, Ann Liston, Robert Markley, Ann McClure, Helen Miles, Michael Miller, Kenneth Neuhauser, Richard Packauskas, Richard Peters, Roger Pruitt, Max Rumpel, Debora Scheffel, Alan Schoer, Steven Sedbrook, Jean Anna Sellers, Martin Shapiro, Steve Shapiro, Robert Stephenson, Evelyn Toft, Cheryl Hofstetter-Towns (for Steven Trout), Dean Zerr, and Herb Zook (for Don Barton).

C. Senators absent were: James Murphy, Greg Farley, Bruce Bardwell, John Durham, Tom Johansen, Steven Trout, Phyllis Schmidt, Dianna Koerner, Craig Shwery, Don Barton.

Guests of the Senate were: Provost Arevalo, Cliff Edwards and Kenzie Singleton.

C. The senate approved the minutes of the October 1996 meeting with a correction to the library motion.

D. Announcements: (Refer to October agenda)

E. Standing Committees:

1. Academic Affairs - Senator Martha Holmes

a. The committee presented the Academic Honesty Policy to the Senate. The policy was approved by a vote of 30-0-0.

b. The committee presented course ENG 103: English Language Laboratory, for general approval. Dr. Edwards, chair of the English department spoke about the benefits of the course. The course was approved with a vote of 30-0-0.

c. The committee presented course GSCI 552: Field Studies in Geosciences, for approval. The course was approved with a vote of 30-0-0.

d. The committee presented course INT 255: The Field of Information Networking: A Foundation For Understanding, for approval. The course was approved with a vote of 30-0-0.

2. Bylaws and Standing Rules - Senator Richard Huguen

a. Motion: Add the following to the Faculty Senate Bylaws under Article V -- Meetings, Section 2, Special Meetings. c. If a special meeting is called to meet a short deadline for a senate decision imposed by the Board of Regents or the university administration, then a written and/or e-mail notice of the meeting must be sent to all Senators at least one week prior to the special meeting date. If a quorum of the Senators is not obtained at the special meeting, then the Executive Committee may act on behalf of the Senate with advice and guidance of the Senators present at the meeting.

After discussion about the reasons needed to call a special meeting the motion passed with a vote of 28-3-0.

3. External Affairs and Faculty Salary - Senator Max Rumpel (for Dianna Koerner)

-No Report

4. Student Affairs - Senator Jean Anna Sellers (for Craig Schwery)

a. The committee selected the students to appear in Who's Who.

b. The committee felt that faculty evaluations should not be published.

c. The committee proposed a new Incomplete Grade Policy.

Bob Stephenson moved that the policy be amended to read: the approval of the instructor, or in the absence of the instructor, the approval of the department chair. Cheryl Hofstetter-Towns seconded. The amendment passed with a vote of 32-1-0.

Joe Aistrup voiced the opinion that the motion is punitive to the student and it disempowers faculty, as it removes their right to decide.

Richard Peters felt the policy promoted consistency.

Evelyn Toft believed that it forces the student to acknowledge an Incomplete on their transcript.

Max Rumpel suggested a friendly amendment to change the language.

The motion was sent back to the committee.

d. The committee presented an Improving Grade policy. The policy was sent back to committee.

5. University Affairs - Senator Martin Shapiro

a. The committee noted that access to VITA's was questionable and suggested that the program have security. Vita's should be reviewed and updated on an annual or other basis.

F. Old Business

a. Support of Library Funding was not approved by the President

b. Sabbatical Leave Policy was sent back to External Affairs & Faculty Salary Committee for response to the suggestions made by the Provost and the President.

G. New Business

a. The Faculty Senate's priorities for actions plans will be faculty development and library funding.

b. It was also suggested that the Senate investigate moving the last drop date to after mid-terms.

H. Reports from Liaisons - (no reports)

I. Adjournment: 5:05