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Fort Hays State University  
Faculty Senate

Minutes for Regular Meeting  
of  
Monday June 4, 2001

(3:30pm, Memorial Union, Pioneer Lounge)  
Called to order by President Art Morin at 3:34 PM

1. **Announcements and Information Items (no action required)**
  - 1a. Two new appointments to Board of Regents (Ferguson and Wynn-one is graduate of Washburn Law School; two re-appointments (Blair and Docking).
  - 1b. Faculty Senate to host/sponsor 'ice-breaker' for new faculty members (tentatively scheduled for September) to help new members become more integrated into the community.  
added items during meeting:
  - 1c. Grade appeals-the process requires Faculty Senate involvement after level C. Request for two volunteers. Fred Britten and Richard Packauskas volunteered to serve for this appeal.
  - 1d. Schedule of meetings for upcoming academic year-the meeting schedule was distributed. It was prepared by Paul Adams, President for next year.
2. **Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings**
  - 2a. May, 2001 minutes (see Attachment-A)-one correction section 5 new business at the end of the "additional award" change to read some ideas include an "additional" award for scholarship. Also in section 4a "Patrick" is misspelled. Motion and approved by unanimous vote of the Faculty Senators.
3. **Reports from Committees**
  - 3a. Academic Affairs = No Report (NR)
  - 3b. By-Laws and Standing Rules = NR
  - 3c. University Affairs = NR
  - 3d. Student Affairs = NR
  - 3e. External Affairs and Faculty Salaries = NR
  - 3f. Executive Committee = NR
4. **Old Business-** None. Steven Trout will continue to work on the AQIP goal. He remarked that the definition of scholarly activity needs to be developed. Also since there is a proposed 25% cut in out-of-state travel funding, this will interfere with the goal. Steven Trout stated that he would appreciate any suggestions to work on this goal.
5. **New Business-**two items: Fred Britten raised a questions about whether we are required to meet in July since it is always not held, should we just cancel it. No action at this time. In addition, Fred Britten felt that the University Commencement Ceremonies were poor in terms of individuals leaving the event before it was completed. After much discussion, the Faculty Senators decided to refer the comments below to the appropriate Commencement Committee.
  - Ideas for discussion by the Commencement Committee:
  - Processional out at the end of the ceremony so people will stay
  - Confer the degree at the end of the ceremony

- Place faculty at the end of each graduate row
- Conduct ceremonies by college
- Move the awards back to the Friday luncheon
- Hold a reception afterwards
- Create a sergeant of arms at the back of the coliseum to keep the group quiet
- Develop a different atmosphere by moving the event to a different setting.
- Hold concurrent sessions by college

**6. Reports From Liaisons**

- 6a. Classified Senate = a new liaison is needed Paul Adams, President-elect, will appoint
- 6b. Student Government = Ervin Eltze NR
- 6c. General Education = Martha Holmes NR
- 6d. Instructional Technology Policy Advisory Committee = Loretta Dorn NR
- 6e. Virtual College Advisory Committee = Donna Northam NR
- 6f. Library Committee = Duane Renfrow NR
- 6g. Faculty and Staff Development Committee = Chris Crawford NR
- 6f. Report from AAUP liaison = Doug Drabkin (brief report given by Richard P) no change in negotiations

- 7. Adjournment-** motion by Steven Trout, seconded by Brenda Hoopingarner at 4PM.

**Liane Connelly**