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**Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate
Minutes for Regular Meeting of Monday, February 3, 2003**

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 P.M. by **President John Heinrichs**
26 members present

1. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting

1a. January 14, 2003 minutes (see Attachment A) and sign-in roster (see Attachment B)

It was moved to accept by **Senator Buffington**. **Senator Holmes** seconded the motion. The minutes and sign-in roster were approved. Motion passed.

2. Announcements and Information Items (no action required)

2a. Endowment Association campaign

Cathy Van Doren spoke to the senate about Campus Drive 2003. Tiger Call did not reach the goal for the year, missing by 2%. Campus Drive's goal is \$81,000 this year. The theme is Side by Side. Monies are directed where the gift giver wants. E-mail has been sent to Department chairs with a list of where monies are needed.

Sandy Rupp and **Shayla Bannister** also spoke about giving and encouraged the members of the Senate to find a project to contribute gifts to. Look for the list that the Department chairs will have. Many foundations and grant organizations look at how much others on campus contribute and will often match based on that.

2b. Information from the Kansas Board of Regents

- COFSP: proposal for Regents-level faculty award program approved

President Heinrichs and the Faculty Senate Executive committee are drafting an implementation of the proposal. Each institution will be able to come up with their own method of selecting nominees from their own campus. There will two award recipients from each campus – one tenured, and one non. The first award will be given in September of 2003. FHSU needs to have the nominees selected by May or June.

- COFSP health insurance task force

The task force will figure out the process for how insurance rates are increased. **President Heinrichs** said that **Preston Gilson** will represent FHSU on this task force.

- Performance agreements task force

2% extra funding will go to institutions that meet their performance agreements. There is discussion on making all future funding based on performance agreements. **Provost Gould** sits on the task force representing Fort Hays State University.

2c. Other

- Update on budget/strategic planning process

President Hammond presented his plans for adjusting the budget.

To solve the \$1.8 million problem **President Hammond** presented the following:

- Half will come from tuition increase (\$900,000 or roughly 9%).
- \$450,000 will come from OOE (5-10% from each department).
- The remaining will come from personnel cuts. It could be that only 5 current employees could be affected.

Senator Jordan questioned the 9% tuition increase. **President Heinrichs** stated that Student Government felt that the increase represented the highest amount that current students would be able to pay.

Senator Siegrist asked if the low tuition increase encouraged lower economic students to attend the University. What is being done to attract students from other institutions/economic groups?

Senator Jordan questioned the long term ability for the University to attract high quality instructors.

- Status of Recommendation 103_004 (Change to Faculty Senate bylaws)

The recommendation passed 27 in favor, 3 opposed.

- Forsyth Library reception for faculty (February 21, 2:00-4:00 PM)

Senator **Haggard** announced that Thursday February 20 is the corrected date. There will be a 20-minute sessions spread out over four rooms in the library. These will cover a variety of topics including copyright (introduction and intellectual property), the ethnic collection and the digital library. Three sessions on e-reserves, streaming media, and the special collection. More information and a confirmed schedule will be sent out to faculty members.

President **Heinrichs** encouraged all faculty members to attend.

- Lack of attendance at committee meetings

President **Heinrichs** is concerned about several committees not being able to meet quorums. Please make an effort to attend those meetings.

- Nominations committee

The committee has been formed consisting of the current Faculty Senate President as well as four past presidents. If you are interested in serving as an officer, please contact President **Heinrichs**.

- Faculty Senate Webpage

President **Heinrichs** has gone through and placed passed senators names on the Senate website. President **Heinrichs** is also trying to place as many of the past resolutions on the website as possible. Past Faculty Senate meetings are being digitized and placed on the website as well in RealAudio format.

3. Reports from Committees

3a. Academic Affairs: **Martha Holmes**

Subcommittee looked at four courses from marketing and sent them back for additional work

3b. Student Affairs: **Rich Lisichenko**

Senator **Jordan** reported that the committee is looking at the national student survey and are preparing a report or the Senate

3c. University Affairs: **David Goodlett**

Senator **Goodlett** sated the committee will meet next week.

3d. By-Laws and Standing Rules: **Neil Patrick**

The committee will meet this month.

There will be information presented next month on how a Senator could be removed from Faculty Senate.

3e. Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships: **Steve Trout**

The committee is trying to get a sense of the external entities that the University currently has partnerships with. **Provost Gould** reported to Senator **Trout** that **Rob Scott** is putting together a list of those entities. The next meeting will look at what are the obligations for each of these contracts. The committee will present a short summary of these findings.

The committee will also look at concurrent enrollment. An open forum is suggested and the committee is looking at a date for this discussion.

3f. Ad hoc Teaching Evaluation Committee: **Carol Patrick**

Vice President Patrick handed out the purpose statement for the committee as well as their report on the findings of the TEVAL (see attachment). These will be sent out to departments for discussion.

3g. Ad hoc Virtual College Governance Framework Committee: **Ray Johnson**

They are getting very close to presenting their reports.

3h. Ad hoc Good Teaching Practices Committee: **Sondra Schwetman**

The committee met. Three subcommittees were formed to study the different areas of good teaching practices. The next meeting will be February 17, 2003.

3i. Executive Committee: **John Heinrichs**

The committee discussed ways to enhance the university culture and faculty life.

4. **Reports From Liaisons**

4a. Classified Senate: **Tom Martin**

No report

4b. Student Government: **Robert Howell**

Student Government is trying to fill a lot of empty senator seats. Tom Spicer presented his reasoning for increasing tuition for student sports scholarships. A new proposal will be presented this week.

4c. General Education: **Martha Holmes**

A new course for the music area was discussed and will have corrections made so it can be passed on.

4d. Instructional Technology Policy Advisory Committee: **Gavin Buffington**

The committee met to discuss wireless on the campus/classroom. In the classroom it may become more of a distraction. The library and the Union will have wireless this semester.

Updates on blackboard and why it is slow. An upgrade to the server may be made this semester.

Internet II was also discussed.

Next meeting will look at Lotus Notes.

Provost Gould asked what impact Internet II could have on campus, and asked all faculty members who believe they could benefit from Internet II to pass the information along to their department chairs.

4e. Virtual College Advisory Committee: **Glen McNeil**

Senator Jordan mentioned that there was discussion that a new (or modified) award may be created for mediated instruction.

4f. Library Committee: **Douglas Drabkin**

No Report, but the committee will be meeting soon.

4g. Faculty and Staff Development Committee: **Chris Crawford**

The committee will meet this month.

4h. Report from AAUP liaison: **Douglas Drabkin**

No report

4i. Institutional Effectiveness Committee: Vacant

Senator Schleicher will act as the representative

4j. AQIP: **Robert Scott**

No report

4k. Graduate Council: **Steve Trout**

Tom Jackson looked at the MLS and how they may be counted toward departments.

4l. International Programming Team: **Dosse Toulaboe**

Several subcommittees were founded and having been looking at several different areas.

The first subcommittee looks at ways to creating an International Studies Program.

The second subcommittee looks at the Internationalization of campus, website, and marketing.

5. **Old Business**

No Old Business

6. **New Business**

Senator Britten asked for discussion on the increase of student fees to increase athlete scholarships.

Student Government President Jamison gave a summary of how the Student Government is dealing with the proposal. He reported that currently the proposal is recommending \$1 increase, but the senate is split 50/50. There are currently 420 student athletes currently. The monies would go to scholarships to attract new students. President Jamison also commented that very few students attend sporting events.

Senator Britten moved that "Faculty senate opposes any action that increases the fees for athletic scholarships". **Senator Holmes** seconded the motion.

Senator Mahon suggested that Tom Spicer speak to faculty senate before a vote is made.

21 for, 4 against, 1 abstention resolution 103_013 passes.

7. Adjournment of Regular Faculty Senate Meeting

Senator Buffington moved to adjourn, **Senator Jordan** seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.