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**Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate
Minutes for Regular Meeting of Tuesday, March 4, 2003**

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

1. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting

1a. February 3, 2003 minutes (see Attachment A) and sign-in roster (see Attachment B)
Senators Siegrist, Mahon, Squires, Force, and Stark were present at the last meeting.
Senator Buffington moved to approve the minutes, **Senator Stark** seconded the motion. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. The minutes were approved as read, the sign-in roster was approved as amended.

2. Announcements and Information Items (no action required)

2a. Representatives from Athletics
In regards to the SGA vote regarding the Student Fee increase, **Senator McNeil** was available for comments or questions from the Faculty Senate. **President Heinrichs** asked about Title 9 requirements and if the fee increase was related to that. **Senator McNeil** said the money would go to support the new Women's Golf as well as bringing additional funding for the Olympic sports.

The SGA did pass a motion to increase the Student Fees by \$1/credit hour.

2b. Information from the Kansas Board of Regents
Tuition proposals were presented to the Regents. KU and K-State are both proposing increases in the 20% range, while FHSU is looking at the 8-9% range.

If anyone has questions about the Tuition waver for faculty/staff please see President Heinrichs.

2c. Report from Nominating Committee
The Nominating Committee has completed its task and has found candidates for the two offices (Vice-President and Secretary).
The Candidates are as follow:

Vice-President/President Elect
David Goodlett
Win Jordan

Secretary
Rich Lisichenko
Loretta Dorn

Elections will be held next meeting.

2d. Other
- Update on budget/strategic planning process
Implementation of the budget cuts was discussed at length.
Cuts in positions have been finalized. There are no full time faculty positions cut at this time. There are several frozen positions that will not be filled, as well as several vacant positions that will not be filled.
President Heinrichs expressed his gratitude to President Hammond for his work on the budget.

Symposium on the Confrontation with Iraq

President Heinrichs thanked the Executive Committee who approved the symposium. There was a large turnout and a great deal of positive feedback from attendees. It is hoped that future senates continue to sponsor these kinds of events.

- Request to reorder liaison reports

President Heinrichs has reordered the reports to keep them from being stagnant

3. Reports from Committees

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

Two sub committee meetings, but no business to report.

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

The study has been submitted and is currently under review by Rob Scott and Provost Gould.

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

Resolution 103_014: The Faculty Senate wishes to express concern to the administration, the AAUP, and all departments that accomplishments of faculty and administrators during years in which no merit pay is available be counted when merit pay does become available.

Senator Jordan questioned the wording "express concern to the administration". **Senator Jordan** moved to amend the motion to read, "The Faculty Senate wishes to recommend to the administration"

It was seconded by **Senator Buffington**.

The amendment was approved.

The motion passed as amended.

Resolution 103_015: The Faculty Senate opposes any attempt to make mandatory the placement of faculty syllabi on-line for courses other than those taught through the virtual college.

Senator Buffington questioned if this was a restatement of the previous resolution. **Senator Goodlett** said that this resolution is a restatement of the original resolution to make it more clear that the Faculty Senate is not suggesting that syllabi placement on blackboard be mandatory.

Senator Buffington moved to move the resolution back to committee for reconsideration.

It was seconded by **Senator McNeil**.

The motion to refer it back to committee 11 in favor 17 opposed, 1 abstention, the motion to refer to committee failed.

The final vote for Resolution 103_015 - 20 in favor, 8 opposed, 2 abstentions, the resolution passed.

Resolution 103_016: The Faculty Senate recommends that performance of service units be evaluated in a fashion similar to faculty and administrators.

Senator Goodlett formally withdrew the resolution.

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

Resolution 103_017: Committee chairperson will notify the Faculty Senate President of those members absent from two consecutive committee meetings. The Faculty Senate President will take action as deemed necessary.

Senator Mahon stated he did not like the rigidity or the resolution because of the "reporting" that will happen, even if the senator may have very legitimate reasons for missing a meeting.

Senator Mahon stated that it should be at the discretion of the committee chairperson to decide if they need to report it to the Faculty Senate President.

Senator McNeil asked what were/are the actions that will be taken.

Senator Lisichenko moved to amend the motion to read "absent without reason"
Senator Britten seconded the amendment.

Senator Jordan moved to amend the amendment to read "absent without acceptable reason"
Senator Lisichenko seconded the amendment.

The amendment to the amendment was passed (2 abstentions).

The amendment passed with 19 in favor, one opposed, and three abstentions

Senator Goodlett questioned what actions the Faculty Senate President could take. There is currently no known written approved action in the By-laws.

Senator Riazi moved to amend the motion to strike the word two and replace it with three.

The amendment failed.

Senator Buffington moved to refer the resolution back to committee.

The motion to refer back to committee passed.

It was brought up whether or not part-time faculty are represented by Faculty Senate (see article three).

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

No Report

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

Subcommittees are meeting according to Senator Britten.

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

No Report

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

Committee met and have nine statements on good teaching practices that will be brought forth later to the Faculty Senate.

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

Resolution 103_018: Implementation of the Kansas Board of Regents' Faculty of the Year Award (see Attachment C)

The resolution passed with one abstention.

4. Reports From Liaisons

4a. AQIP: **Robert Scott**
No Report

4b. Instructional Technology Policy Advisory Committee: **Gavin Buffington**
The committee meets this week.

4c. Classified Senate: **Tom Martin**
Classified Senate discussed the current financial situation.

4d. Report from AAUP liaison: **Douglas Drabkin**
No Report

4e. Graduate Council: **Steve Trout**
No Report

4f. Student Government: **Robert Howell**
Many discussions on the student fee increase.

4g. Library Committee: **Douglas Drabkin**
No Report

4h. Faculty and Staff Development Committee: **Chris Crawford**
No Report

4i. International Programming Team: **Dosse Toulaboe**
Committee discussed the comment by Provost Gould dealing with International Outreach.

4j. General Education: **Martha Holmes**
Have not met

4k. Institutional Effectiveness Committee: **Stephen Schleicher**
The committee is currently reviewing the report submitted by **Senator Lisichenko**

4l. Virtual College Advisory Committee: **Glen McNeil**
Will meet this week

5. Old Business

6. New Business

7. **Adjournment of Regular Faculty Senate Meeting**
Senator Buffington moved, **Senator Goodlett** seconded, the meeting adjourned at 4:39 pm.