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Meeting convened by President Carl Miller, at 3:32 PM

I. Approval of Minutes

September 6, 2016, Faculty Senate Minutes amended and approved
1. II. 3. f. 'over the coming years if appropriate faculty hires occur’ added
2. II. 4. ‘Accompanied by two Honors students who introduced themselves, Aaron Fisher and Sintia Jimenez’ added
3. II. 5. c. amount changed to $125,000

II. Announcements

1. Tim Crowley, Assistant Provost for Academic Programs and Student Success
   Credit for Prior Learning
   a. Developing a portfolio method for students to earn credit for prior learning and experience
   b. Two reasons this is important
      i. Open a new market for prospective students, especially students who have served in the military
      ii. Help meet the KBOR goal of serving more adult learners
   c. Requested the Faculty Senators review the draft proposal and offer evaluative feedback

2. Shala Mills, Chair of the Liberal Education Committee
   Liberal Education Reform
   a. Committee lucubrating and meeting weekly
   b. Mills attended illuminating workshop on assessment methods to improve student learning
   c. Minutes for each meeting are posted on the committee’s website
   d. Studying models of assessment methods

3. Tony Gabel, Chief Negotiator for AAUP
   AAUP Negotiations with the Administration
   a. One meeting hitherto, in which they discussed workload and AAUP requested numerous documents

4. Carl Miller, Faculty Senate President
   Announcements
   a. Faculty Survey on caps and overloads
      i. Conducted by Dr. Gary Brinker
      ii. IRB exempted it from review as non-research
iii. Sent to those people whom the MOA defines as Faculty
iv. List of recipient names provided by the administration
v. Excluded adjuncts
b. Motion to continue the survey without expanding the number of recipients
   i. Motion by Helen Miles, seconded by Emily Breit. MOTION CARRIES
c. Partnerships and Technology Committee charged to develop guidelines for using all-faculty e-mail
d. The Kansas Board of Regents will be on the FHSU campus October 19-20 for their monthly meeting
   i. There may be opportunities for faculty to meet with them
e. The Strategic Planning Committee charged to begin their three-year review of the Faculty Senate Bylaws

III. Reports of the Standing Committees

   Academic Affairs—Kenny Rigler and Helen Miles
   Thirty courses in the backlog, which will take several months to clear
   Five courses were approved on May 2, but omitted from the Minutes
   Motion to amend the May 2 Minutes to include those courses; MOTION CARRIES

   Partnerships and Technology—Dmitry Gimon
   Seeking to improve representation of faculty on technology committees

   Strategic Planning—David Goodlett
   Motion reaffirming the Bylaws that Senate will meet monthly; MOTION CARRIES

   Student Affairs—Judith Ofcarcik
   Working on diversity initiative

   University Affairs—Gary Brinker

IV. Unfinished Business

   None

V. New Business

   RESOLUTION opposing changes to current practices regarding caps and overloads prior to Fall 2017; brought by Carl Miller as Senator
   Denise Orth, Faculty Senate Vice President presides over the meeting
   Carl Miller reads resolution; Gabel seconds
   Much animated discussion ensues
   MOTION to extend meeting to 5:20; MOTION CARRIES
   MOTION to extend meeting to 5:30; MOTION CARRIES
   RESOLUTION vote by secret ballot: 28 in favor, 11 opposed; RESOLUTION PASSES

VI. Adjournment

   Meeting mercifully adjourned at 5:26 PM