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May 3, 2021, 3:30pm - 5:00pm

ZOOM LINK:

https://fhsu.zoom.us/j/98924144351?pwd=SkpZUTluQ2locGN6MFBVN2kxMmNCQT09

Minutes

Senators had access to the following documents before the meeting:

- Faculty Senate Minutes: April 6, 2021
- Advising Update April 27 email
- Academic Affairs Minutes
 - March 30 Minutes
 - o April 12 Minutes
 - April 27 Minutes unofficial
- Strategic Planning and Improvements Minutes:
 - o University Strategic Plan Year Two Updates
- Partnerships and Technology:
 - o FHSU-issued TigerNetID email
 - o Resolution for Addition of Security Questions
- FS Membership
- Tentative Meeting dates for 2021/2022

Access to these documents can be found through the shared Faculty Senate Folder: **goo.gl/1Np8Fp**

1. Call to Order: 3:30pm

2. Attendance through Zoom

• See end of minutes for list of attendees.

3. Approval of Agenda

• Helen Miles moves to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Jeni McRay. **Approved.**

4. Approval of April 6, 2021 Minutes:

• Candace Mehaffey-Kultgen moves to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Kendal Carswell. **Approved.**

5. Announcements and Information Items

- a. Guest Announcements
 - i. Provided by President Mason

1. Legislative & Budget Update:

- a. President Mason shared information about the state of the budget for higher education in general and for FHSU. There are still several things being considered and some deferred for a decision at a later date (e.g., potential energy relief bill; refunding students taking virtual classes during the pandemic transition to online). Overall, FHSU will not be able to make substantial decisions about our budget until we have more information about the state general fund and financial impacts. The budget strategy for this fiscal year was to anticipate about a 7% reduction; however, we were only down about 3.5%. President Mason will share more details in a university-wide announcement regarding budget decisions when this information becomes available.
- b. President Mason will meet with SGA to discuss tuition and student fees. We have been asked not to increase tuition this year, and FHSU will honor that request. Students can expect flat tuition and slight decrease in student fees next year.

ii. Provided by Provost Arensdorf

- 1. Advising Update:
 - a. Refer to email: Advising Update April 27 email
- 2. Tenure & Promotion Recognition Ceremony:
 - a. Will take place via Zoom on 5/4 at 3:00pm.
- 3. Convocation:
 - a. Will take place via Facebook live on 5/7 at 2:00pm.
- 4. Commencement:
 - a. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by May 10th.
- 5. International Reorganization Plan Update:
 - a. Work has started and phase two will begin next academic year.

b. Report from Faculty Senate President

- i. COFSP's Janet Stramel, chair 21/22
- ii. KBOR FHSU's tuition proposal will be presented to the board at the May meeting.
- iii. Workday Tisa, "It is everyone's responsibility to recruit and retain students."
- iv. Rob Byer, Vice President certification
- v. Shane Schartz, Secretary, certification
 - 1. Both Rob and Shane agreed to serve.
- vi. President's Cabinet Agenda: April 28 Agenda
- vii. President's Roundtable
 - 1. A task force will be developed to align FHSU's policies with the Freedom of Expression policy adopted by KBOR. Joe Bain, chair
- viii. Standing Committees. Official minutes go to Kevin.

- 6. Consent Agenda courses: Academic Affairs Standing Committee; Approved.
 - a. IDS 407 Global Challenges (CORE: Engaged Global Citizens)
 - b. SOC 310 Gender and Society (CORE: Information Literacy and Social Scientific Mode of Inquiry)
 - c. MIL 302 Soldier Health and Fitness (curriculum course for the Kansas Army National Guard Officer Candidate School. Lead Studies Dept)
 - d. ECON 201 Principles of Microeconomics (Social Scientific Mode of Inquiry, FHCU CORE)
 - e. MLNG 201 Beginning French I (Intercultural Competency, FHSU CORE)
 - f. MLNG 225 Beginning Spanish I (Intercultural Competency, FHSU CORE)

7. Reports from Standing Committees (see committee minutes/reports)

- a. Academic Affairs:
 - i. March 30 Minutes
 - ii. April 12 Minutes
 - iii. April 27 Minutes unofficial
 - iv. Chair, Helen Miles. Please contact Helen Miles for access to the committee's Blackboard shell if you would like more information for any course
- b. University Affairs:
 - i. Update: Committee will continue to review the inclusion and diversity resolution and revisit with senate next academic year.
 - ii. Chair, Christopher Olds
- c. Strategic Planning and Improvements:
 - i. University Strategic Plan Year Two Updates
 - ii. Interim Chair, Justin Greenleaf
- d. Partnerships and Technology:
 - i. Senate Action: Resolution: FHSU-issued TigerNetID email.
 - 1. Candace Mehaffey-Kultgen moves to approve the resolution; seconded by Thomas Dunn. **Approved.**
 - ii. Senate Action: Resolution: Resolution for Addition of Security Questions.
 - 1. Candace Mehaffey-Kultgen moves to approve the resolution; seconded by Skip Ward. **Approved.**
 - iii. Chair, Shane Schartz
- e. Student Affairs:
 - i. No Update provided.
 - ii. Chair, Cole Engel

8. Reports from Special Committees

- a. None
- 9. Unfinished Business

a. None reported

10. New Business

a. Dr. Janet Stramel, President of the Faculty Senate

11. Adjournment

- Skip Ward moves to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Kendal Carswell. **Approved.** Meeting adjourned at 4:02pm.
- 12. **Next Meeting**: September 7, 2021

Senator Attendance:
Bartlett, Lexey
Beiker, Christa
Byer, Rob Brinker, Gary
Carswell, Kendal
Du, Yuxiang
Dunn, Thomas
Ellis, Carol
Engel, Cole
Feldstein, Linda
Gabel, Tony
Greenleaf, Justin
Growe, Glen
Gubitoso, Mary Jo
Harper, Jason
Hartman, Robyn
Howell, Brittany
Jones, Elodie
Kandt, Greg
Kobayashi, Yas
Lillpopp, Peter
Loggins, Ginger
Lopez, Lopez Giovani
Mann, Brooke
Maseberg, Jack
McRay, Jeni (Virginia)
Mehaffey-Kultgen, Candace
Miles, Helen
Munch, Kris
Ravitskaya, Irena
Rudman, Mary
Olds, Christopher
Orth, Denise
Schafer, Tom
Scott, Pauline
Splichal, Kevin
Stramel, Janet
Terry, April
Van Der Wege, Michelle
Ward, Skip
Whitaker, Whitney
Winchester, Juti

Zeng, Hong