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**Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate**  
**Minutes for Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 7, 2012**  
(3:30pm, Stouffer Lounge)

**1. Approval of Minutes and Attendance of December 6, 2011 Meeting and December 16 Special Meeting**

*It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes and attendance of the regular meeting as distributed. Minutes of the December 16 Special Meeting was approved as amended.*

*Motion carried.*

**2. Announcements and Information Items:**

- Kent Steward – President Hammond’s 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
*“Hope: The Silver Lining” is the theme for President Hammond’s 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary at FHSU. A celebration will be held on Friday, April 20, 1-3 p.m. Dr. Steward asked for input into the planning of the celebration.*
- Digital Measures - *The use of Digital Measures is still in the pilot phase and no decision has been reached yet about the use of this system for evaluations for this spring.*

**3. Reports from Committees –**

**3a. Executive Committee: Chapman Rackaway, Chair**

- KBOR Report
  - *No report at this time.*
- Red Balloon
  - *No report at this time. The committee will meet on February 17.*
- University Mission Statement
  - *The University Mission Statement was sent to the Kansas Board of Regents Committee on Academic Affairs. They met and passed a resolution endorsing the FSHU Mission Statement.*
- Kansas Hunger Dialogue
  - *Anyone wanting to participate in the dialogue should contact Chap.*
- 2012-2013 Committee Openings (Attachment C)
  - *If any senator is interested in a serving on a committee, or wishing to nominate another faculty member, contact Chap.*
- Policy on Credit Hour (Attachment D)
  - *Chris Crawford provided information on the Policy on Credit Hour; the Initial, Systematic, and Ad Hoc Review. Faculty Senate is encouraged to read and provide comments. The Academic Affairs Committee will review this policy and provide a report at the March meeting.*
- Online Syllabus Comments
  - *Chap has not received comments yet. He will send the link to all senators.*
- Changes to Faculty Senate Webpage [www.fhsu.edu/facultysenate/](http://www.fhsu.edu/facultysenate/)
  - *Chap encouraged senators to look at webpage and offer him feedback.*

**3b. Academic Affairs: Jeffrey Burnett, Chair**

- Proposed Undergraduate Major
  - *The Academic Affairs Committee moved to accept the Bachelor of Arts Global Business English program. (The committee voted 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions to accept this program.) Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.*

*The proposal was discussed and Dean Paul Faber was available to answer questions which came up during the discussion.*

*Motion carried.*

3c. Student Affairs: Denise Orth, Chair

- Common Ground
  - *The Student Affairs sub-committee of SGA has been meeting to encourage more student involvement in SGA.*

3d. University Affairs: Emily Breit, Chair

- Faculty Morale Survey
  - *Emily presented an overview of the quantitative findings from the Faculty Morale Survey. The University Affairs Committee will categorize and summarize the qualitative comments and give a report at the March meeting.*
- Mandatory Reporter Policy

*The University Affairs Committee moved to accept the following Child Sexual Abuse Reporting Policy.*

**Each University employee witnessing any act of child sexual abuse, as defined by the statutes identified above, on University property or in connection with any University-sponsored event or activity shall report the act in a timely manner to University police by calling 785-628-5304 or 911, or by notifying any other appropriate law enforcement agency.**

*Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.*

*After much discussion, Rich Lisichenko moved to postpone this motion to the March meeting. David Goodlett seconded. Motion failed.*

*The main motion was then voted upon. Motion carried.*

- Timeline for first-year tenure-track faculty
  - *The committee recommends that AAUP look at the timeline for first year tenure-track faculty.*
- Digital Measures
  - *This was addressed in the Information Items.*
- Policy regarding applying for Summer Research Grants
  - *The committee is currently discussing this.*
- Early IQ
  - *At their next meeting, the committee will be discussing the implications of Early IQ from the faculty perspective.*

3e. By-Laws and Standing Rules: Rita Hauck, Chair

- No report

3f. University Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships: Lorie Cook-Benjamin, Chair

- FHSU Website
  - *The committee will be meeting February 24 regarding the FHSU website. It was suggested that the committee also meet with SGA Leadership.*

**4. Reports from Special Committees and Other Representatives**

None

**5. Old Business**

None

**6. New Business**

- Twitter – TigerTalkBack
  - *Chap encouraged us to integrate this into our classes.*
- March meeting
  - *Nominations for President-Elect of Faculty Senate.*

- *The election of officers will be held in April.*
- Enforcing the No Smoking Policy on campus
  - *University Police have been giving tickets to students as well as faculty.*

**7. Adjournment of Regular Faculty Senate Meeting**

*David Goodlett moved; Kathi Sanders seconded to adjourn the meeting.*

*Meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.*