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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

March 5, 1990

The following members were present: Dr. Bill Daley, Dr. Robert Stephenson, Ms. Martha Holmes, Dr. Fred Britten, Dr. William King, Ms. Joan Rumpel, Dr. James Hohman, Dr. Stephen Shapiro (for Dr. Lloyd Frerer), Dr. Willis Watt, Dr. Gerald Calais, Dr. Paul Phillips, Dr. Ralph Gamble, Dr. Paul Gatschet, Mr. David Ison, Dr. Raymond Wilson, Mr. Glen McNeil, Mr. Bill Havice (for Mr. Glenn Ginther), Mr. Jerry Wilson, Dr. Ron Sandstrom, Dr. Mohammad Riazzi, Dr. Lewis Miller, Dr. Martin Shapiro, Ms. Diana Koerner, Ms. Marcia Masters, Dr. Richard Hughen, Dr. Roger Pruitt (for Dr. Maurice Witten), Dr. Jack Barbour, Dr. Robert Markley, Dr. Nevell Razak, Dr. Michael Kallam, Ms. Sharon Barton.

Members absent: Mr. Rick Mullen, Mr. Dale Ficken, Dr. Thomas Wenke, Dr. Lloyd Frerer, Mr. Jack Logan, Mr. Glenn Ginther, Mr. Kevin Schilling, Dr. Maurice Witten, Dr. Richard Schellenberg, Ms. Leona Pfeifer, Dr. Tom Kerns, Dr. John Zody.

Others present: Dr. Larry Gould; Mr. Michael Michaelis, 1990 President United Way; Dr. James Murphy; Dr. Wally Guyot; Ms. Sandra Rupp; Mr. David Baker, Hays Daily News.

The minutes of the February Faculty Senate meeting were approved as corrected.

Date of the meeting: "February 6, 1990."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Dr. Larry Gould, Past-President United Way and Mr. Michael Michaelis, 1990 President United Way, presented awards to departments for their participation in the United Way effort of Ellis County. Fort Hays State University achieved more than its established 1989 goal of \$15,000. The awards recognized departments that had 100% participation or an average of \$25 per faculty member. The departments recognized were (some departments had been recognized at an earlier United Way Awards Ceremony): Communication Disorders, Psychology, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Advising and Counseling, Art, Sociology, Computer Center, Philosophy, English, Foreign Language, Nursing, and Kelly Psychological Services.

2. The Senate Appropriations Committee made its recommendations to the full Senate last week, and the full Senate should vote on the bill this week. The bill includes a shrinkage amount of \$324,338 for Fort Hays State for FY 90, which is less than in Governor Hayden's budget recommendations. The amount is still more than the amount the university would have returned if the formula had been followed. Another departure from the Governor's recommendation involved the amount to be allocated for OOE. The Governor recommended a 2% increase for FY 91, while the Senate Appropriations Committee recommended a 3.5% increase.

3. In a close vote, the House of Representatives voted down a Selective Admissions Bill last week.

4. Some members of the Fort Hays State administration met with Rep. Delbert Gross last Saturday. Rep. Gross reported that he has heard about the funding of higher education from the administration, the classified staff, and students, but he had not heard from faculty. Dr. Faber encouraged the senators and their constituents to write their legislators.

The resolutions passed last month, have been sent to Rep. Gross and a number of other people. Sen. Jerry Moran and Rep. Rochelle Chronister have forwarded replies to Fort Hays State.

5. The minutes of last month's meeting were in error. In January it was the Council of Presidents that reconsidered and reconfirmed the Board of Regents policy on honorary degrees. At the February meeting of the Board of Regents, the Board did not adopt the policy. This policy will be revised and reconsidered at the March 22 meeting of the Board of Regents. Unless the schedule is among the parts of the policy modified, the Board's decision effectively extends the current moratorium on the granting of honorary degrees until 1991. The most significant revisions discussed last month at the Board meeting centered on the desire to have the academic side of the university (e.g. faculty) make recommendations of candidates. It was considered imperative that confidentiality be maintained during this process. The Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee will be considering the revised Board of Regents policy when it is published and may be proposing amendments to the bylaws of the FHSU Faculty Senate.

6. The report the Faculty Senate received last month from A Select Committee on the Status of Faculty Evaluation by Students is under consideration by the University Affairs Committee.

7. The Student Senate has passed a resolution calling for the establishment of a Task Force on Environmental Issues to be composed of students, faculty, classified staff, and

administrators. This resolution has been referred to the Student Affairs Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Academic Affairs: Presented by Ms. Rumpel.

Motion: To approve Business Education and Office Administration 390:

BEOA 390: Medical Office Procedures. Non-general education. 3 hrs. Prerequisites: BEOA 103, BEOA 250, and BSAH 263, or permission. Designed to prepare competent, resourceful medical office assistants for employment in medical offices and hospitals.

Discussion.

Dr. Gatschet asked how this course prepares a student differently when compared with current courses? Ms. Rupp indicated that students are acquainted with medical terms, forms, procedures, and insurance practices. Mr. Ison pointed out that the proposed course uses a lot of simulation activities to train students. Ms. Koerner asked if the high number of applicants was reflective of the market demand. Ms. Rupp responded affirmatively to the question. Ms. Koerner also asked if this course would result in a need for increasing faculty or work overload for current faculty? Ms. Rupp said it would not; they would just be switching course assignments.

Motion carried.

2. University Affairs: No report.
3. Student Affairs: No report.
4. Bylaws and Standing Rules: Presented by Ms. Masters.

It was reported that it is now time to replace senators. If someone is no longer serving as a senator, it is necessary for that person to submit a letter of resignation.

5. External Affairs: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

LIAISONS

Dr. Hohman reported the library discretionary fund was \$2,500. Requests for these funds were \$6,800. The committee approved funds for all books and journals with some funds being allocated for other expenditures such as videotapes and so on.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Willis M. Watt, Secretary
FHSU Faculty Senate