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Minutes of the  
Fort Hays State University  
Faculty Senate

April 7, 1992

President Watt called the meeting of the Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate to order on April 7, 1992, at 3:40 p.m. in the Trails Room of the Memorial Union.

The following members were present: Dr. Bill Daley, Dr. Robert Stephenson, Dr. Fred Britten, Ms. Martha Holmes, Dr. Zoran Stevanov (for Mr. Michael Jilg), Mrs. Joan Rumpel, Dr. Ann McClure (for Dr. Dale McKemey), Mrs. Sharon Barton, Dr. Max Rumpel, Dr. Serjit Kaur-Kasior, Dr. Stephen Shapiro, Dr. John Durham, Dr. Carl Parker, Dr. Paul Gatschet, Dr. Carl Singleton, Mr. Dewayne Winterlin, Dr. Gary L. Millhollen, Mr. Herb Zook, Mr. Jerry Wilson, Dr. Charles Votaw, Dr. Mohammad Riazi, Dr. Martin Shapiro, Ms. Dianna Koerner, Dr. Mary Hassett, Dr. Richard Hughen, Dr. Robert Markley, Dr. Phyllis Tiffany, Dr. Nevell Razak, Dr. Mike Rettig, Dr. Norman Caulfield (for Dr. Helmut Schmeller), and Dr. Arthur Morin (for Dr. Richard Heil).

Members absent were Dr. Michael Slattery, Dr. Michael Madden, Mr. Michael Jilg, Dr. Dale McKemey, Dr. Robert Jennings, Dr. John Zody, Dr. Tom Kerns, Dr. Helmut Schmeller, Mr. Glen McNeil, Dr. Lewis Miller, Dr. Maurice Witten, and Dr. Richard Heil.

Also present were Dr. Ruth Firestone, Dr. James Murphy, Dr. Larry Gould, and a representative of the Leader.

The minutes of the March 2 and March 16, 1992, Faculty Senate meetings were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. President Watt asked Dr. Hammond what had been done with the 2.5% 1991 savings of summer money, approximately \$230,000, to spend for one-time expenditures. Dr. Hammond gave a rough accounting of the money: \$135,000 funded action plans from p. 11, A.2. and p. 12, A.3. and B.1. of the 1992 Strategic Plan Document; \$53,000 spent to convert a dance studio into a Rad Tech laboratory in Cunningham and to create another dance studio; \$50,000 for a second interactive video room; and \$50,000 unallocated, perhaps will be used for an Industrial Education lab.
2. Dr. Watt reminded the senators of the reception at Farmer's State Bank on May 8 after the all-campus faculty meeting.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Academic Affairs. Presented by Dr. Britten.

The Academic Affairs Committee presented two motions:

Motion 1: To recommend approval of FLNG 234, 235, 236, and 237 courses in Japanese as an option to fulfill the Regents 10-hour Bachelor of Arts requirement for a two-year trial period.

Dr. Britten explained that these courses were developed in cooperation with Georgia Southwestern University which is supplying a graduate student from Japan to teach the courses. Academic Affairs Committee approved it: 9-0-0. Dr. Rumpel asked if the language lab could be enrolled in multiple times, and if so, should this multiple enrollment be mentioned in the description of the course. Dr. Firestone responded that the (+) sign after the title of the course indicated permission for multiple enrollment. Dr. Gatschet asked if the Foreign Language Department had some arrangements for a backup instructor should the designated instructor be unsuitable. Dr. Firestone replied that Georgia Southwestern would provide a replacement if necessary. Mr. Wilson asked about library resources; Dr. Firestone indicated that students could not read the language as used in newspapers or books until they have enrolled in FLNG 237. The Senate unanimously approved the motion.

*Forwarded*  
Motion 2: To recommend approval of changes in the 1991-1993 FHSU Catalog, adding on p. 42, courses required for the foreign language component of the B.A. may not be taken for Pass/No Credit, and on p. 54, "the courses the student elects to meet general education requirements, courses used in fulfillment of a major program (including cognates), the foreign language component for the B.A., and courses required in a student's minor may not be taken for Pass/No Credit." Academic Affairs passed it: 9-0-0.

Dr. Rumpel asked if this requirement will be retroactive. Dr. Britten answered that students from outside could receive credit; students may just not enroll for Pass/No Credit. Students enrolling here can still take placement exams; Dr. Firestone indicated that only students with high school credit or with life experiences in a foreign language will receive advanced placement. Dr. Rumpel asked if this applied to students transferring from another college with Pass/No Credit for foreign language; Dr. Firestone answered that this policy did not deal with those students. Students from another university may not receive credit towards the B.A. or advanced placement. The motion was passed unanimously.

2. By-Laws/Standing Rules. Presented by Dr. Riazi.

Dr. Riazi reported that eleven departments and Forsyth Library have reported on their elections of senators: Dr. Ralph Gamble and Dr. Carl Parker, alternate, Economics/Finance; Dr. Evelyn Toft and Dr. Jean Salien, alternate, Foreign Language; Dr. Albert Geritz, English; Dr. Gerry Cox, Sociology; Mrs. Anita Gordon-Gilmore and Mr. Wayne Pricer, alternate, Forsyth Library; Dr. James Holman, alternate for Chemistry; Dr. Merlene Lyman and Mr. Glen McNeil, alternate, Home Economics; Dr. Arthur Morin, alternate for Political Science; Dr. John Durham and Dr. Arup Mukherjee, alternate, CIS/QM; Dr. Mohammad Riazi and Dr. Ron Sandstrom, alternate, MACS; Dr. Mary Romjue and Dr. Abha Gupta, alternate, CUIN; and Dr. Jean Gleichsner and Mr. Ron Nelson, alternate, Agriculture.

3. External Affairs. No report.

4. Student Affairs. No report.
5. University Affairs. Presented by Dr. M. Shapiro.

Dr. M. Shapiro explained to the Senate that a change in the final exam schedule had been proposed by several faculty. The change would consist of scheduling of final exams on the same day and time of the week as when the courses for those exams meet (Attachment A). This change would rectify problems for students' employers who must adjust weekly schedules during exam week and for commuting students making travel arrangements. Dr. Shapiro handed out a statistical study of students having two or more exams a day under the proposed schedule. Dr. Shapiro asked the senators to review the changes and to discuss them with other faculty; the University Affairs Committee will present a motion at the May Faculty Senate meeting. If anyone has comments or questions, Dr. Shapiro or Ms. Dianna Koerner may be contacted.

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. President Watt reported on the meeting with Judith Siminoe, Regents legal counsel for FHSU. Dr. Murphy had requested her advice on Chapter 3 of the Faculty Handbook (Appendix 0) and the Technology Royalties policy. In regards to Chapter 3, Dr. Murphy was concerned that the due process for faculty was no longer fulfilled in Chapter 3 since the revision of Appendix 0 had eliminated the University Unclassified Personnel Appeals Committee (UUPAC). While Ms. Siminoe did not believe that the UUPAC was necessary for due process, she did recommend that the committee be added to Chapter 3 or that a parallel structure of committees for tenure and promotion be created. She also recommended the addition to Chapter 3 of a statement that failure to request a hearing during earlier stages of the process does not preclude a request later.

The second topic of discussion was the Technology Royalties policy. Dr. Murphy expressed concern that allowing the chairs to negotiate with faculty concerning royalties would be unfair to faculty; there could be 25-26 different procedures across campus. Dr. Murphy recommended that the negotiation take place at administrative level so that all faculty will participate in a fair, consistent procedure; he also pointed out that chairs do not have the legal authority to negotiate with faculty. Ms. Siminoe stated that patent law says that while you are employed by an employer, all products produced belong to the employer; she will look into the problem of whether software comes under copyright law (as a creative product) or whether it comes under patent law.

President Watt stated that the University Affairs Committee will discuss both policies and will then bring them back to the Senate. Dr. Murphy has written a draft of changes to the Technology Royalties policy; President Watt will send it to all senators.

2. Dr. Gould discussed the new General Education Committee; his draft (Attachment B) outlines the roles and responsibilities and the membership of the committee. He pointed out that the former general education committee was composed of four members from the Arts & Sciences who reported to the Dean of Arts & Sciences and made recommendations to Faculty Senate. The Curriculum Review Committee altered the membership of the general education committee, making it a university-wide committee under the leadership of the Dean of Arts & Sciences but reporting to the Academic Affairs Committee of the Faculty Senate. The President Hammond has delegated authority to the Provost for making final decisions on the courses. Dr. Gould stated that the new committee reduces the influence of political agendas since the membership has a three-year rotation and has university-wide representation. He envisions the committee as the caretaker of the general education program serving as a strong advocate and overseer of the program objectives. Most faculty support the changes.

Ms. Koerner expressed concern that the Biology Department is not represented on the committee and that each of the professional colleges have only one representative. Dr. Gould pointed out that each department of the university did not have a representative and each of the professional colleges have only one representative because most of the courses are taught by Arts & Sciences faculty. Dr. Gould said that he was seeking the endorsement of the Faculty Senate.

President Watt indicated that the General Education Committee was a part of Faculty Senate; Dr. Britten pointed out that this committee reports to the Academic Affairs Committee. Dr. Parker made the motion to adopt Dr. Gould's document on the general education committee with the understanding that it is a university committee. The motion passed: 32 for, 2 against, 0 abstentions.

3. President Watt has sent the Curriculum Review Committee report to the Provost. He indicated that the administration accepted the report in principle, but there are some areas that need to be worked on in relation to the Articulation Agreement. Dr. Murphy has recommended an interdisciplinary option in the International Studies section (II.A.) which would combine the various disciplines in a 6-hour course; the course would not replace the other courses which have been approved.

#### NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

#### LIAISON REPORTS

1. Classified Senate. No report.
2. Computer Advisory Committee. No report.
3. Instructional Media Committee. No report.

4. Library Committee. No report.

5. Student Government Association. No report.

The meeting of the Faculty Senate was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Holmes, Secretary  
Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate