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Minutes of the
Fort Hays State University
Faculty Senate
March 1, 1993

A. President Richard Hughen called the meeting of the Fort Hays State University
Faculty Senate to order in the Pioneer Lounge of the Memorial Union on March 1,
1993, at 3:30 p.m.

B. Those senators present were: Michael Slattery, Jean Gleichsner, Martha
Holmes, Fred Britten, Michael Madden, Dale McKemey, Joan Rumpel, Sandra Rupp,
Delbert Marshall (for Max Rumpel), Stephen Shapiro, John Durham, Abha Gupta,
Albert Geritz, Pamela Shaffer, Evelyn Toft, Gary L. Millhollen, John Zody, Tom
Kerns, Norman Caulfield, Merlene Lyman, Anita Gordon- Gilmore, Charles Votaw,
Fath El-Den (for Mohammad Riazi), Lewis Miller, Martin Shapiro, Dianna Koerner,
Michelle Knowles (for Mary Hassett), Maurice Witten, Arthur Morin (for Richard
Heil), Robert Markley, Kenneth Olson, Jean Coyle and Mike Rettig.

Those senators absent were: Bill Daley, Zoran Stevanov, Max Rumpel, Lance
Lippert, Ralph Gamble, Herb Zook, Mohammed Riazi, Mary Hassett, Richard Heil,
and Gerry Cox.

Guests of the Senate included: Dr. James Murphy, Dr. Larry Gould, Dr. Ron
Sandstrom, Mr. Curt Brungardt, Kelly Freeman of the University Leader, and
Upendra Sabat from KHFS TV.

C. The minutes of the February 9, 1993, Faculty Senate meeting were amended to
reflect the presence of senators Robert Markley and Lewis Miller and Bill
Havice, alternate for Technology Studies. Abha Gupta informed the Senate that
Mary Romju would not attend meetings during Spring semester; Abha Gupta will
represent Curriculum and Instruction. Dianna Koerner moved to approve the
minutes with these additions; Jean Gleichsner seconded the motion. The minutes
were approved as amended.

D. Announcements: President Hughen referred senators to the announcements
printed on the agenda for the March 1, 1993, meeting and indicated that he had
little to add to the announcements. He said that the Board of Regents had
tabled item 2.a. for action at the next month's BOR meeting; he added that the
leave sharing policy for unclassified employees applied to permanent, not
temporary, employees with at least six months of continuous service,
satisfactory attendance, and no leave of their own left. Donors of leave must
have 480 hours of sick leave and 80 hours of annual leave remaining after
donation of leave time. In reference to item 3, he stated that the Faculty
Senate Nominating Committee had selected the slate of candidates through an
electronic meeting.

E. Standing Committees:

1. Academic Affairs by Senator Martha Holmes. Two motions were
presented:

   Motion 1: The Academic Affairs Committee recommended that the Faculty Senate
approve the concept of the Leadership Studies program.

   Senator Holmes informed the Senate that the Leadership Studies Committee will
forward the introductory courses for the Leadership Studies program to the
Faculty Senate in April. The motion was approved unanimously.

   Motion 2: The Academic Affairs Committee recommended that the Faculty Senate
approve the following existing courses for inclusion in the new General
Education program:

   CIQM 101 Introduction to Computing Systems (3)
   ENG 101 English Composition (3)
   ENG 102 English Composition (3)
   MACS 163 Introduction to Computing Systems (3)
   MACS 101 Fundamentals of Mathematics (3)
   MACS 110 College Algebra (3)
Senator Holmes indicated that the content of each course remains essentially the same as in the formerly approved course; English Composition I will focus more explicitly on critical thinking than it has in the past. She also pointed out the title of MACS 101 would remain "Fundamentals of Mathematics" although the Mathematics department had originally proposed a change to "Liberal Arts Mathematics"; this course now has tougher prerequisites, equal to the prerequisites for College Algebra. Senator Britten asked if his request for the additional prerequisite, "permission of the department chair," would be added to the prerequisites for MACS 101. Dr. Sandstrom, chair of the department, answered affirmatively. Senator Markley pointed out that the correct title of CIQM 101 was "Introduction to Computer Information"; the correction was made. Addition of Roman numerals to the titles of ENG 101 and ENG 102 was made; the correct titles are "English Composition I" and "English Composition II."

The motion to approve the courses for the General Education program was passed unanimously.


3. External Affairs and Faculty Salary. Senator Maurice Witten reported on the timeliness of contributions to retirement. The Committee has found that the Business Office sends out the contributions on the 3rd or 4th of each month with arrival at corporate headquarters on the 6th or 7th of each month. With the new stress on electronic transfer of payroll, senators wondered if electronic transmission of retirement funds would be possible. The External Affairs Committee will look into it; Dr. James Murphy, a guest of the Senate, indicated that he would be attending a state committee dealing with similar issues, and he also would look into it. The Committee is also looking for direction in researching the salary issue. President Hughen said that he would discuss it with Senator Witten.


5. University Affairs. Senator Marty Shapiro reported that the Committee was still working on a proposal for summer salaries; they are looking into the possibility of using shrinkage funds to increase summer remuneration. President Hughen stated that he had spoken with Dr. Hammond several times and Dr. Hammond may be willing to go up to 80% of 1/9th of the 9-month salary for a three hour course.

Senator Shapiro informed the Senate that Delores Furtado of AAUP is concerned about the program discontinuance at FHSU. He also indicated that, in regards to parking permits, spouses could drive the same car, using the same permit.

F. Old Business. None.

G. New Business. None.

H. Reports from Liaisons:


3. Instructional Media Committee. Senator Ken Olson reported that the Committee was looking into a possible position of director of the media on campus. This proposal is separate from the deliberations of the university committee which is looking at a consolidation of media areas.


6. General Education Committee. Senator Martha Holmes reported that the Committee had completed consideration of the courses submitted for the Foundation Skills area of the General Education program.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Holmes (for Gerry Cox)