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FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA

March 23, 2015 - Clinton Hall 126

1. Call to order
2. Informal Statements and Proposals
3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting from February 23, 2015
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Rules Committee, Peer Moore-Jansen
5. President's Report
6. WSU Tobacco Free Campus Resolution
7. Updates:
 - a. University Wellness Program and CBIZ process, Sarah Hunter, Office of Human Resources
8. As may arise
9. Adjournment

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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting Monday March 23, 2015

Members Present: Barut, Bergman, Brooks, Castro, Decker, Hanawalt, Horn, Huckstadt, Hughes, Jin, Johnson, Klunder, Lu, Moore-Jansen, Mosack Rokosz, Ross, Shaw, Taher, Walker, Yildirim

Members Absent: Adler, Ahmed, Celestin, Chang, Houseman, Mason, Muthitachareon, Perry, Ramanan, Thiessen, Trechek, Woods, Yao, Yeager, Yu

Members Excused: Baker, Bryant, Close, Hull, Hunsicker, Rillema

1. **Call to order:** President Mehmet Barut called the meeting to order @ 3:30 pm.

2. Informal Statements and Proposals

* Chris Brooks - LAS College Council recently discussed that handling of student misconduct cases was not as smooth as they would like. They would like to know if other colleges have specific policies that address misconduct. Rick Muma noted that each college is supposed to have internal policy to supplement university policy 2.17 on Academic Honesty. Colleges must determine how they disseminate the policy guidelines to their students/implementation.

[Shaw post-script: Upon further inquiry it appears that the issue of concern addresses the implementation of Policy 8.05 on Student Conduct which is handled by UBITS for the entire university, not by colleges individually.]

3. **Approval of Minutes:** February 23, 2015. Approved.

4. Committee Reports

a. Rules Committee, Peer Moore-Jansen, Chair

* The committee is seeking interested parties to serve on faculty senate committees in the coming year. Please encourage your faculty to be engaged.

5. President's Report

* Faculty Senate Presidents discussed Senate Bill 193 (requires a "degree prospectus" for all postsecondary degree programs). Senate Presidents are concerned about how much time would be consumed by providing such prospectus and who would be responsible for providing them. There was also a concern about specifying what kinds of employment outcomes would be expected for all students. The bill is very specific in what details are to be provided. Board of Regents does not support this. It has passed Kansas State Senate and is now in the House. There is a serious estimated price tag to implement this. This would be a institutional responsibility, not a faculty responsibility. [Content to be provided for review on Faculty Bb site].

* The Faculty Senate Presidents expressed concern about the changes to the FY16 budget in Mega Bill 237. Substantial resources get arbitrarily transferred from institution to institution.

* They also expressed concern that taxpayer dollars are disbursed in the form of scholarships to students, most of whom are at independent and private colleges.

* They also discussed House Bill 2234 prohibiting post-secondary institution employees from using their titles when writing in the newspaper. This is contrary to the University position that wants to see faculty expertise

credited in the media. KNEA opposes this bill. Pending action in the House.

* There was continued discussion of intellectual property ownership for courses developed online.

* K-State strongly supports use of Open Educational Resources (OER Commons) recognizing the high cost of textbooks for students.

6. WSU Tobacco Free Campus Resolution [copy posted on Faculty Senate Bb]

* First reading. (Presentation provided at our last meeting.)

* Smoking on the leased lot at 21st and Oliver would not be regulated because it is not WSU property.

* Appreciation expressed for the student effort, belief that it is a good policy to adopt.

* Questions about enforcement. Noted that the desire is creating cultural change, not strong enforcement.

* Motion to communicate to SGA that we support the initiative but with grammatical corrections. Motion by Brooks; seconded by Klunder. Approved.

7. Updates:

a. University Wellness Program and CBIZ process, Sarah Hunter, Office of Human Resources

* If you want to serve on the Wellness Committee that is under development, please let Sarah know. This will be expanding beyond the simple Health Quest online survey.

* USS have been asked to support a JAQ (job analysis questionnaire) initiative. CBIZ is external consultant evaluating whether we are upholding the Fair Labor Standards act; and providing additional recommendations on creating a fair and functional classification and compensation system. This will include consistency in titles, career ladders, etc. Weakness in this area is bad for recruiting and for position replacements;

8. As may arise

* Reminders: vote for two at-large senators by March 25th

* Nominations for President's Service Award by March 30th (to Bobbi Dreilling) [previous recipients to be posted on the Senate webpage under current topics]

9. Adjourned at 4:25 pm.

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