

**MINUTES**  
**Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**Emporia State University**  
**September 1, 2009**  
**Kanza Room, 3:30 p.m.**

**I.Call to Order:** 3:30 pm

**II.Announcement of Attendance:**

Members Present: Carol Russell, Joella Mehrhof, Amy Sage Webb, Jonathan Krueger, Tes Mehring, James Aber, Jim Costello, George Durler, James Ehlers, Stanford Felix, Giovanna Follo, Ted Gentle, Eileen Hogan, Dusti Howell, Kevin Johnson, Phil Kelly, Gregory Larson, Sheryl Lidzy, Elizabeth Locey-Hampe, Paul Luebbbers, Lori Mann, Ann Miller, Don Miller, Dwight Moore, Mike Morales, Ann O'Neill, Chuck Pheatt, Kevin Rabas, Lynnette Schreiner, Marjorie Werly, George Yancey  
Substitutions: Steve Neill for Edwin Church, Neal Luo for Christy Schreck  
Visitor: Jaque Schmidt, Director of Student Wellness

**III. Approval of Minutes from 2008-09 Senate Meeting May 5, 2009 #1:**

Motion for approval: Moore, Hogan (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Vote: Unanimous; Approved

**Approval of Minutes from 2008-09 Senate Meeting May 5, 2009 #2:**

Motion for approval: Moore; O'Neill (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Vote: Unanimous; Approved

**IV.Announcements:**

**A.ASG President, Jonathan Krueger:**

- Overview of summer activities included bringing the USA Today and NY Times to campus and the student advisory committee met on budget.
- ASG advising retreats will be planned

**B.Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Tes Mehring**

- Legislative post-audit summary released August 28. The picture of ESU was not necessarily a positive one. The regents will be working with the institutions to become more efficient.
- Provost thanks the senate for the low enrollment and faculty load bills passed by the senate.
- The FSEC was asked to begin review of the curriculum review process.
- The faculty senate was asked to review faculty initiated withdrawal.

**C.President of the Faculty, Carol L. Russell**

- Thanks to Jeff and Dining Services for mugs and to President Lane for the books that were distributed.
- Update from Council of Faculty Senate Presidents
  - The Board of Regents faculty award guidelines were discussed.
  - The health care system coverage changed from 60 days to 30 days

- from date of first day of work.
  - KU will be bringing the domestic partnership benefits issue forward for discussion.
- Update on Faculty Senate work during the summer:
  - Documents were archived;
  - Contact information corrections on the senators were updated.
  - A shared governance meeting will be planned for once a semester with the leadership of faculty senate, ASG, and the classified group.
  - The Technology Council met and discussed a three year plan and Buzz in issues.
  - The faculty senate executive committee met with President Lane for its annual meeting.
  - Thanks to Past President Webb and Vice President Mehrhof for a smooth transition of positions
  - The grievance policy committee met to discuss concerns.
  - The reassigned time committee met over the summer.
    - Representatives from each the colleges served on the committee plus faculty senate representatives.

## **V. Committee Reports**

### **Academic Affairs (Ann O'Neill, Chair):**

- The items on the agenda for the committee include the information technology bills; faculty initiated withdrawal; and curriculum review process.

### **COCG (Kevin Rabas, Chair):**

- Plans for 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Election: Voting after forum Sep. 24 - Oct. 1

### **Faculty Affairs (Mike Morales, Chair):**

- The items on the agenda for the committee include the grievance policy; interim furlough policy; current policy on budgetary exigency; and intellectual property.

## **VI. Old Business**

## **VII. New Business**

- Jaque Schmidt, Director of Student Wellness visited with the faculty senate about H1N1 flu and preparedness measures at ESU. The CDC has established commendations to help contain the spread of flu and to make sure the campus is getting accurate information. Related items follow:
  - Containing the flu: Hygiene, respiratory etiquette
  - Encouraging faculty to be lenient in excusing those with influenza like symptoms
  - H1N1 Vaccine – available around mid October
  - Seasonal flu vaccines will be available on September 21 from 2-4 and September 23 from 9-11. 20 for faculty
  - At this date there are no confirmed H1N1 cases on campus

- 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Forum – (VP Joella Mehrhof) – Forum is on September 23 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm in the Greek room. Faculty questions are due to Mehrhof by September 11.
- A draw for two faculty senators to serve on the University Incentive Grant Committee occurred. James Ehlers and Ted Gentle were drawn and will serve.

**VIII. For the Good of the Senate:**

- Emporia Clean Sweep will be on September 19 and will continue for four weeks. This is part of the Building Futures Committee. Contact Stanford Felix for more information or to volunteer.
- The University Christmas Card photo shoot will be September 17 at 3:00 pm. All faculty are invited.

**IX. Adjournment: 4:15 PM**