

MINUTES
Faculty Senate Meeting
Emporia State University
May 5, 2009
Kanza Room 4:40 p.m.

I. Call to Order: President Russell called the meeting to order at 4:40 PM

II. Announcement of Attendance:

Present: James Aber, Edwin Church, Jim Costello, George Durler, Stanford Felix, Giovanna Follo, Ted Gentle, Eileen Hogan, Kevin Johnson, Jonathan Krueger, Sheryl Lidzy, Paul Luebbbers, Joella Mehrhof, Tes Mehring, Don Miller, Dwight Moore, Mike Morales, Ann O'Neill, Chuck Pheatt, Kevin Rabas, Carol Russell, Christy Schreck, Amy Sage Webb, George Yancey, Ann Miller

Substitutions: Stacey Braun for Gregory Larson; Sharon Woods for Marjorie Werly; Zeni Colorado for Dusti Howell; Beth Dobler for Lori Mann.

III. Announcements:

A. ASG President, Jonathan Krueger:

* Looking forward to working with the faculty on Faculty Senate

B. Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Student Life, Tes Mehring:

- Looking forward to being involved with Faculty Senate and working with the Senators. Welcome to new senators.

C. Faculty President Carol Russell:

- President Russell introduced the new 2009-2010 Faculty Senate student secretary, Miranda Renfro.
- President Russell thanked all senators for returning forms related to committee preference.
- 2009-10 standing committee assignments were announced by President Russell. Committee charges were given related to the 2009-2010 academic year.

Academic Affairs Committee:

In addition to its responsibilities for curricular review and oversight of academic issues, Russell suggested the Academic Affairs Committee address the following:

1. Consider and follow up on the recommendations of the summer ad-hoc committee and continue to work with TCS on information security policies relative to the legislative post-audit.
2. Follow up on any recommendations from the Provost's summer ad-hoc committee on curriculum review and draft any necessary policy for updating curricular review.

3. Continue to monitor the curriculum, with a special eye toward the relationship between financial issues and the quality of instruction in ESU's academic programs.

Committee on Campus Governance

In addition to the regular responsibilities for conducting the election of the 2nd VP of the Faculty, reviewing campus-wide committees, conducting administrator evaluations, and maintaining regular review of the FS Constitution & Bylaws, Russell suggested the following:

1. Work with the Executive Committee to continue to compile "manuals" for the standing committees.
2. Continue to review and update the process for committee reviews and make recommendations for changes and improvements.
3. Work with the Executive Committee to create a file of evaluation instruments for administrator reviews, including department chair review instruments.
4. Work with the Faculty Vice President and Secretary of the senate to update the Faculty Senate's web page information regarding campus-wide committees: up-to-date membership, committees' charges and purpose, and rotations for review.

Faculty Affairs Committee:

The FAC chair is the contact person in any grievance, as well as the creator of the slates for the grievance panel and administrative grievance panel. This committee, along with AAC, "have the prerogative to discuss matters they deem appropriate and make recommendations in the form of bills, resolutions or committee reports to the Faculty Senate". In addition to these responsibilities, Russell suggested the Faculty Affairs Committee address the following:

1. Consider and follow up on the recommendations of the summer ad-hoc committee and continue to work on any needed changes to the ESU Grievance Policy.
2. Continue to look at issues of faculty load, including service and valuation of on- and off-campus faculty.
3. Should the Board of Regents create criteria for a Faculty of the Year Award, this committee will create a process for selection of nominees that is overseen by Faculty Senate.
4. Continue to monitor issues of faculty rights, with a special eye toward the relationship between financial issues and faculty rights.

- Russell also proposed that we, as Faculty Senate, work with ASG and Administration to improve campus recycling and "green"/sustainability efforts. Russell stated that she hopes we can strategically work towards campus-wide efforts.
- Russell stated she has confidence that each senator will take these charges seriously, and will progress with our Faculty Senate work with positive communication, respect and collaboration. Russell looks forward to working with all Faculty Senators in the 2009 – 2010 academic year.
- Russell announced the election of Second Vice President of the Faculty will occur in early fall, 2009. Kevin Johnson and Ann O'Neil are the candidates. Vice-president Mehrhof will organize the election.

IV. Committee Reports: None

V. Old Business: None

VI. New Business:

The senate meeting was suspended at 4:46 pm for committees to meet to elect committee chairs. Senate meeting resumed at 4:50 pm. Announcement of committee chairs

- Academic Affairs: Ann O'Neil
- Faculty Affairs: Mike Morales
- Committee on Campus Governance: Kevin Rabas

Adjourn:Durler, Aber (second).

