Fort Hays State University Faculty Senate

# Minutes for Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 6, 2011

(3:30pm, Stouffer Lounge)

**1. Approval of Minutes and Attendance of Prior Meeting**

(Attachments A and B)

*It was noted that the approval of minutes must be moved and seconded.*

*The spelling of Fred Britten’s name was corrected in the November minutes.*

*Kathi Sanders moved to approve the minutes as corrected; Lorie Cook-Benjamin seconded. Motion carried.*

**2. Announcements and Information Items:**

**3. Reports from Committees** –

3a. Executive Committee: Chapman Rackaway, Chair

* KBOR Report

*The Council of Faculty Senate Presidents met in November regarding the transfer and articulation agreements.*

3b. Academic Affairs: Jeffrey Burnett, Chair

* Courses to be approved
  + ENG 630 Nature Writing

*The Academic Affairs moved to accept ENG 630. (The Academic Affairs Committee voted 5 for, 0 against; 0 abstentions to accept this course.) Since this was a recommendation from a committee, no second was needed.*

***Fred Britten moved to amend the motion by deleting in second paragraph (3 credit hours, available for graduate\* or undergraduate enrollment).*** *Doug Drabkin seconded.*

*Motion carried as amended.*

* Faculty Development Speaker Series

3c. Student Affairs: Denise Orth, Chair

* Who’s Who of Academic Scholars

3d. University Affairs: Emily Breit, Chair

* Faculty Morale Survey –

*The overview of the survey will be presented at the February Senate Meeting.*

* Mandatory Reporter Policy

*A subcommittee of University Affairs will with work with Todd Powell on this policy. A report will be given at the February Senate meeting.*

3e. By-Laws and Standing Rules: Rita Hauck, Chair

* No report

3f. University Marketing and Strategic Academic Partnerships: Lorie Cook-Benjamin, Chair

* FHSU website

**4. Reports from Special Committees and Other Representatives**

4a. Red Balloon Task Force

* No report

4b. Online syllabus option; Report by Jackie Ruder and Dave Schmidt

*Jackie reported on the Tiger Central Syllabus Management System.*

*It was suggested that we share Jackie’s PowerPoint and solicit feedback from each department. We will give Jackie and Dave our feedback by March 2012.*

**5. Old Business**

5a. Proposed FHSU Mission Statement

**“FHSU provides accessible quality education to Kansas, the nation, and the world through an innovative community of teacher-scholars and professionals to develop engaged global citizen-leaders.”**

***Jeff Burnett moved to endorse the FHSU Mission Statement as presented. Denise Orth seconded the motion.***

*It was noted that the Mission Statement Taskforce will be meeting on Thursday, December 8 to continue to discuss the feedback received.* ***After discussion, the motion was withdrawn.***

*Chap will call a special meeting of the Faculty Senate in January for the specific purpose of discussion and possible endorsement of the FHSU Mission Statement.*

**6. New Business**

*There was a question about the TEVALS. The Faculty Form is not ready at this time.*

*A concern about course evaluations for first year faculty was noted. (University Affairs will discuss this issue.)*

**7. Adjournment of Regular Faculty Senate Meeting**

*Cheryl Duffy moved; Richard Packauskas seconded to adjourn the meeting.*

*Meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.*