



# FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY

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## FACULTY SENATE

### Faculty Senate Agenda

April 2nd, 2025, 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM CST

Albertson Hall 169

- I. Call to Order
- II. Attendance
- III. Approval of Agenda – moved by Linda, seconded by Carl. Approved.
- IV. Approval of Previous Minutes – moved by Phil, seconded by Linda. Approved.
- V. Informational Reports (Clarifying questions only please!)
  - A. Guest Reports
    1. University, Jill Arensdorf, Provost
      - a) KBOR is pushing their first 15 initiative where High School students would be able to take up to 15 hours for college credit that would be accepted at all KBOR institutions. Work has been paused to allow staff to collect data.
      - b) Performance Agreements – Entering Year 2 of 3 of current agreement and working on establishing next performance agreement.
      - c) Open Educational Resources – Fort Hays, and especially Forsyth Library, are leading the state in this area.
      - d) Reduced credit hour degree opportunities are being explored, which HLC has approved. KBOR policies prohibit this at the time, but this will be explored if/when KBOR revises their policies.
      - e) Student Success Reorganization – meetings have been completed with staff. Looking to launch to searches for Assistant Provost for Student Success and for Director for Career Area. Updates will follow when more information is learned.
      - f) Tenure & Promotion ceremony is on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.
      - g) Last conversation with Provost will be on 4/10 at 8am.
      - h) Reminder about SACAD on 4/24.
    2. SGA, Ella Burrows, SGA President

3. OSGA, Heather Flick, OSGA President
4. Staff Senate, Bob Duffy, Staff Senate President
5. AAUP, Gene Rice, AAUP President

#### B. Faculty Senate Reports

1. Faculty Senate President
  - a) HB2348 (Tenure) / SB 256 (Remote) / Blue Ribbon
    - a Currently ‘hibernating’, but area is being watched
  - b) UTAP
    - a Universal tuition assistance proposal is still being debated
  - c) F(S)OTYA – Due April 4<sup>th</sup>!
    - a Currently have five responses (as of 4/2)
  - d) Reduced Credit Degree (90 hrs.)
  - e) Workday/Huron
    - a Report attached as supplemental information.
  - f) Resolution on Faculty Involvement in Learning Technologies
    - a Resolution has been acknowledged.
  - g) PCE Task Force Update
    - a Still generating ideas
  - h) Tuition Recommendation Committee
    - a Committee has recommendation from across student, faculty, staff, and administration. Will be making a recommendation to President, who will then make a recommendation to KBOR.
2. Standing Committees
  - a) Academic Affairs, Anita Walters
  - b) Partnerships and Technology, Christianna Pruden
  - c) Student Affairs, Philip Olt
  - d) University Affairs, Eric Deyo
    - a Met to discuss PCE
  - e) Strategic Planning and Improvement, Lisa Brening
    - a Recommending Bylaw changes to update verbiage and clarify roles.
    - b Would like to nominate chairs of committees and incoming Senate officers to begin work at end of Spring semester, rather than start of Fall semester.
    - c Will also invite incoming senators to May meeting in an unofficial capacity.

#### VI. Consent Agenda

- A. Both courses would count for the general education math components
  1. MATH 100 Contemporary Mathematics with Review (4 ch)
  2. MATH 245 Elements of Statistics with Review (5 ch)

#### VII. Unfinished Business

## A. PCE

### 1. PCE Presentation

- a) Professional and continuing education is a key component of Fort Hays State University mission
- b) Focus at this point is building infrastructure.
  - a Within Academic Affairs
- c) Idea arose from management development sector to address need to provide continuing education
- d) Fully-staffed as of four weeks ago
- e) Goals of PCE
  - a Make FHSU a continuing education ecosystem
  - b Reengage alumni and update their skills
  - c Respond to needs of workers and employers
  - d Provide assistance for programs that are already providing continuing education
- f) Have identified three basic areas
  - a Training & Consulting
  - b Professional & Continuing education – micro-credentialing and certifications
  - c Development across Western Kansas
- g) Wants to involve faculty in efforts brainstorm ideas
- h) Everything at this point is focused on non-credit courses, excepting those existing partnerships with academic departments.
- i) No funds have been spent on Ed2Go vendor.
  - a Ed2Go uses search engine optimization to recommend courses and host universities
- j) Modifications have been made to address some of faculty's concerns around duplicating for-credit courses in a non-credit program
- k) Further concerns should be routed to program chairs
  - a PCE staff will meet with individual programs
  - b Programs will control which courses are offered within their area
- l) Advanced training programs may be considered for credit for prior learning, but those programs are very expensive
- m) Wants to innovate rather than replace

### 2. Resolution that Ed2Go program/courses will not have FHSU branding on them, and separation clear between FH and Ed2Go

- a) Concern about use of branding in promotion and SEO

b) Question about logic of offering Credit for Prior Learning on Ed2Go programs when community colleges refuse to do so.

c) Financial aspect suggests that Ed2Go may not be cost-effective where Ed2Go takes more than average cut of funds generated

d) Ed2Go relationship with FHSU tends to have hallmarks of predatory private-public partnership

a May turn FHSU brand toxic

e) Resolution that opposes FHSU relationship with Ed2Go vendor tabled for May Faculty Senate meeting

B. Elections:

1. Secretary Nomination: Jessica Heronemus-Claiborn – won election
2. Vice President Nominations: Christianna Pruden – won election, Christopher Olds

VIII. New Business / Discussions IX. Adjournment