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SWOSU FACULTY SENATE Information MEETING  
June 27, 2006 2:00 PM Stafford 110

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM: There was no quorum.

II. SUBSTITUTES: Dr. Ben Welch for Dr. Randall Sharp

III. PRESENTATION OF VISITORS: None

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: No quorum

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
   A. From FS President Maness:
      1. Meetings will continue on revision of Grievance policy.
      2. Discussions with CPGS indicate that they have only 11 departments so their request to allocate Senators by department can go forward if approved by the CPGS Faculty.
      3. Senators who have not done so need to submit preferences for committee assignments ASAP.
      4. In light of potential future budget problems and as a means to make SWOSU more competitive, we [the administration] are asking for suggestions to reduce the cost of delivering instruction (improving cost efficiency). This may require a special senate committee or could be an objective of two or three senate committees. Send suggestions directly to Dr. Sonobe.
      5. President Hays would like to see greater faculty participation in Commencement exercises. Suggestions are appreciated.
      6. Executive Council/Academic Council May 23:
         a. BOROC is now RUSO (Regional University System of Oklahoma).
         b. Language Arts Department to be split into two departments: English/Foreign Languages and Communication/Theater
         c. ITS is completing wireless service for remaining campus buildings. 911 service will be able to indicate Building and Room from which call is made. Current a 911 call just indicates campus and we have to give directions. Working to strengthen SPAM and Virus protections.
         d. Summer enrollment is up but Fall enrollment is currently down.
   C. President-elect Dr. Jones: from Executive and Administrative Council meeting
      1. Money should be allocated from State by June 23.
      2. Raises will be considered for January 1.
      3. We are looking to raise minimum staff salaries as of January1
      4. The Union should be ready by September 1. Six weeks were lost because brick had to be reordered.
      5. There will be no letter to sign in the President’s office anymore. Salary changes will be done through pay action form from HR.
      6. Janet Cunningham is the new president at Northwestern
   E. FS Student Government Representative Garrett King/Sam Jennings:
      1. Entry forms are available now for the 2006 Organizational Fair. If you have not signed up your organization yet, please do so. For more information e-mail Garrett King at sga@swosu.edu. Forms are available in the Dean of Students’ office, Brian Adler’s PR Office, and at the Weatherford Chamber of Commerce Office.

Next Faculty Senate meeting: 2:00, 25 July 2006, Location—Stafford 110.