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Southwestern Oklahoma State University
Faculty Senate Meeting
June 23, 2009, 3:00 pm, EDU 201
Approved Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The June 23, 2009, meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:00 PM in Education 201 with FS President Scott Long presiding.
- II. **ESTABLISH QUORUM:** The following members were present: Lisa Appeddu, John Bradshaw, Kathy Brooks (Sayre), Michael Dougherty for Hung-Chieh Chang, Chelsea Church, Jill Jones for Kevin Collins, Tommye Davis (Sayre), David Esjornson, Ruth Boyd for Vicky Gilliland, Terry Goforth, Rita Hays, Vicki Hatton for Todd Helton, Joe London, Jim Long, Scott Long, Ralph May, Warren Moseley, Edna Patatanian, Les Ramos, Ann Russell, Lisa Schroeder, Muatasem Ubeidat, Dennis Widen, and Jonathon Woltz.
- III. **CERTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES:** Michael Dougherty for Hung-Chieh Chang; Jill Jones for Kevin Collins; Ruth Boyd for Vicky Gilliland; Vicki Hatton for Todd Helton.
- IV. **PRESENTATION OF VISITORS:** None.
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the May 1, 2009, meeting were approved by voice vote.
- VI. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
 - A. From FS President Scott Long:
 1. **General:**
 - a. Budget – Vice President Fagan has been working on a three-year budget model, and he indicated that it does not look very encouraging at this time. He also indicated that included in the three-year budget model is approximately 1.6 million dollars which is what our portion would be assuming that we would receive the money from the federal stimulus package. President Hays stated that the money from the stimulus package is not automatically received and that we would need to apply for these funds. If the money is received from the stimulus package, it would be for FY10 and FY11 and no money would be expected from the stimulus package for FY12. It is expected that FY12 will be the toughest year in the near future.
 - b. Health Benefits – A consultant has been contracted and the examination of the various carriers for SWOSU health benefits will gear up during the Fall Semester, with the hopes of having the new provider in place in 2010. The process is very similar to the selection of retirement benefits last year, with the regional universities cooperating for a collective bargaining position with the various providers.
 - c. The Office of Violence Intervention and Early Response (VIPER) is revamping their program for this fall.
 - d. SWOSU has obtained approximately \$300,000 from the INBRE program.
 - e. Renovations on Parker Hall are proceeding to provide new space for the School of Nursing and the Music Department. This provides new, badly needed space for those academic units as well as freeing up needed dormitory space in Stewart and Oklahoma Halls.
 - f. Summer enrollment was up, as notified by the Registrar's office.

- g. The Provost indicated that faculty participating in the alternative admission program will receive orientation/instruction on their expectations.

B. FS Secretary/Treasurer Lisa Appeddu:

1. Roll Sheet – please sign.

2. Treasurer's Report:

a. BancFirst Checking account:

- May 1, 2009, balance (No Change): \$1954.16
- Bills for the retirement reception (\$199.80) and certificates of appreciation to outgoing Faculty Senators (\$5.00) have been received and will be paid.

b. University account balance (No change): \$130.00

C. FS President-elect Muatasem Ubeidat: Nothing to report.

D. FS Past President Les Ramos: Nothing to report.

E. FS Student Government Representative Angela Foust: Not Present.

VII. REPORTS FROM STANDING AND AD HOC COMMITTEES: None.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Faculty Senate Committee Appointments:

1. Standing Committees: President Scott Long appointed the 2009/2010 members who will serve on the Faculty Senate Standing Committees. Appointments are presented at the end of the Faculty Senate minutes. They will also be posted on the Faculty Senate Website.

2. Ad Hoc Committee: In lieu of ongoing budgetary concerns, President Scott Long will form a *Faculty Senate Budget Contingency Planning Ad Hoc Committee*. He asks interested Faculty Senators to contact him so that he may form the membership for this Ad Hoc Committee by the July meeting. This Ad Hoc Committee will be charged with providing a faculty perspective in identifying potential means for reducing costs, as needed. Deadlines include reporting their findings to the Faculty Senate in Fall 2009 so that a plan may be approved and passed on to the Administration by the end of the 2009 Fall Semester.

B. Faculty Senate Schedule for 2009/2010 Academic Year: The following dates make up the 2009 to 2010 Faculty Senate Meeting Schedule. They will be also be posted on the Faculty Senate Website:

Summer Semester 2009: Meetings will be held at 3:00 pm in EDU 201

- Tuesday, June 23
- Tuesday, July 21

Fall Semester 2009: Meetings will be held at 2:00 pm in EDU 201

- Friday, August 28
- Friday, September 25
- Friday, October 30
- Friday, November 20
- Friday, December 4

Spring Semester 2010: Meetings will be held at 2:00 pm in EDU 201

- Friday, January 29
- Friday, February 26
- Friday, March 26
- Friday, April 23
- Tuesday, May 4

X. ADJOURNMENT: 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Long, FS President

Lisa Appeddu, FS Secretary

**Next Faculty Senate Meeting:
Tuesday, July 21, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. in EDU 201**

2009/2010 FS Committee Assignments

Audit Committee

Terry Goforth, Chair
Kathy Brooks
Todd Helton

Budget and Program Committee

Kevin Collins, Chair
Tommye Davis
Warren Moseley
Edna Patatanian

Curriculum Committee

Dennis Widen, Chair
Hung-Chieh Chang
Vicky Gilliland
Ann Russell
Lisa Schroeder

Judiciary Committee

Terry Goforth (CA&S), Chair
Chelsea Church (COP)
Tommye Davis (CAAS)
Kathy Wolff (CPGS)

Nominating Committee

Les Ramos, Chair
Terry Goforth
Joe London
Scott Long

Personnel Policies Committee

John Hayden, Chair
John Bradshaw
Kevin Collins
Sophia Lee
Jim Long

Student Affairs Committee

Ralph May, Chair
Chad Ramirez
Jon Woltz
Angela Foust, Student Senate Representative

University Policies Committee

Stephen Burgess, Chair
David Esjornson
Rita Hays
Jeffrey Short
Muatasem Ubeidat