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I. **Call to Order:** Faculty Senate President Tom McNamara called the October meeting of the SWOSU Faculty Senate to Order at 2:02 p.m. in HEC 201.


III. **Certification of Substitutes:** Jon Woltz will attend in place of Linda Pye. Carie Strauch will be here instead of Tammy Blatnick.

IV. **Presentation of Visitors:** None present.

V. **Approval of Minutes:** September 30 minutes approved by voice vote as amended, Scott Froneberger will serve on the FUTPRC Appeals Committee instead of Dana Coker.

VI. **Announcements**
   A. President Tom McNamara
      1. The SWOSU budget is meeting expectations. The State’s equalization board will meet in December. If revenue collected falls below 95% of the estimate, cuts will be triggered.
      2. SWOSU would gain approximately $2 million dollars in revenue if the 1 cent sales tax increase passes. This would, however, make tuition increases a tough sell.
      3. ITS is progressing with the computer system upgrade. The current PX system will be decommissioned by the company that provides support. SWOSU will be moving to a new version of the software. The updated program should remove duplication of effort, have an automated degree check, and better a advising interface. A legacy system will be kept as a backup. The change still needs regents approval. Tech money has been set aside for this already.
      4. Academic coaching is available from the office of retention management. Contact Ms. Wendy Yoder for more information.
      5. CETL has received a grant to replace ITV equipment.
      6. The Intellectual Property Committee is in the process of revising policy concerning online IP.
      7. Concerns about online evaluations have been brought to the attention of the Provost. The senate will be kept aware of any new developments.
      8. The Academic, Administrative, and Student Affairs committees on budget efficiencies have begun meeting.
      9. The Office of Student Affairs has begun a Service Learning Honor Cord Initiative. Students completing 9 credit-hours of designated service learning
10. Upward Bound has started their Saturday meetings.
11. SWOSU Saturday is November 5th, one week from tomorrow.
12. There will be a Staff Recognition Reception on November 9th.

B. Secretary/Treasurer Karen Sweeney
   1. Roll Sheet—please sign
   2. Treasurer’s Report
      a) Banc First
         (1) September Balance: $1,715.63
         (a) Payment: $94.45 (Faculty Reception)
         (2) Current Balance: $1,621.18
      b) University Account
         (1) July Balance: $105.01
         (2) Current Balance: $105.01

C. President-Elect Jerry Dunn: Nothing to report.
D. Past President Jared Edwards: Nothing to report.
E. Student Government Representative: The SGA did not have a representative at the meeting.

VII. Reports from Standing and Ad Hoc Committees: No reports.
VIII. Unfinished Business: None.
IX. New Business:
   A. Appellate and Grievance Committee on Dismissal of Tenured Faculty: Mr. Frederic Murray was a member of this committee. He will be servings as the representative of the Library/CAAP on FUTPRC. The Faculty Handbook states that these committees must be mutually exclusive.

      Ann Russell volunteered to serve on the Appellate Committee.

X. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom McNamara, Faculty Senate President
Karen Sweeney, Faculty Senate Secretary

Next Meeting Friday, November 18th at 2:00 pm