

ASU FACULTY SENATE
MINUTES
Feb 2, 2001

FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Jeff Bailey, President (Library)
Mary Jean Rutherford, Past President (NHP) absent
Nonie Wiggins, Secretary/Treasurer (NHP) absent

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

Paul Armah absent

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Roger Abernathy absent
Bob Bennett
Dick Freer
David Jimerson absent
Ernesto Lombeida
Bill Maynard
Joe Sartorelli
Victoria Spaniol
Richard Wang

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Chris Brown absent
Dan Marburger absent
Clint Relyea absent
Jim Washam

COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Jack Zibluk

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Cindy Albright
Steve Haggbloom
Joe Justen
Veda McClain
Carl Vaupel

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Charles Coleman absent

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Bill Rowe
Molly Simpson

Theron Waddle

COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Terry Baggs
Steven Guffey
Laura Owens

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Dee Layton

LIBRARY

Myron Flugstad

MILITARY SCIENCE

Daniel Tiscareno absent

COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC DEANS

Jan Duggar absent

PROXIES

none

PARLIAMENTARIAN

Michael Morrell

VISITORS

Greg Chance (KASU), Laura Downing Library, Warren Johnson (CAS), Jerry Linnstaedter (Regional Programs)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 3:05 by Chair Bailey

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair Bailey called for any corrections or additions to the January 19, 2001 minutes. The minutes will stand as distributed.

REPORTS

Dr. Louella Moore, chair of the Senate Finance Committee gave a report on the committee's findings. Senators asked several questions regarding the report. The senators discussed at length the amount of spending for academics in relation to athletic spending. Several senators expressed great concern over the priority of giving athletics a large sum of money (for several years) to assist them to stay in budget while the academic areas are expected to stay in budget and have seen little or no gains in funding for faculty lines or faculty development. Chair Bailey asked for a motion to accept the Finance Committee's report. Zibluk made the motion. (Maynard second)

OLD BUSINESS

Chair Bailey asked for any Discussion concerning the following Shared Governance committee recommendations: Academic Calendar (1); Enrollment Management Committee (3); Financial Aid and Scholarships Committee (1). There were no concerns raised. The senate expressed its consent in regard to these policy recommendations by lack of opposition. Chair Bailey will express that consent to the President's Office.

Chair Bailey reported on the Online Course Fee. There is to be a meeting 2/5 to discuss the fee and if there are any changes needed to be made concerning the fee. There was some discussion as to were the funds will be going once the fees are assessed, the fee as additional fee or as a substitution fee. The comment was made concerning the lack of structure for on-line courses, concerning payment, as well as testing, grading, release, funding, etc.

Jim Farris, chair of the Fringe Benefits Committee was available to further discuss issues concerning the recent changes made concerning health coverage and benefits. There was lengthy discussion concerning the following issues: the time line for the health coverage changes; options to help alleviate the urgent time line in the future; options to increase the awareness of faculty in wellness programs; the concerns of faculty in the administration's apparent funding priorities based on the finance report; the increase in the faculty's health care costs; lack of growth in funding for faculty development programs and resources; and the current lack of faculty lobbying power and the need to have a stronger voice in decisions affecting faculty.

NEW BUSINESS

Senator Haggbloom expressed concern from his department that issues like amount of hours a student can take should not be a shared governance issue, but a academic issue. The issue was visited and discussed.

Chair Bailey brought forth a concern from a faculty member about the Board of Trustees' decision to go ahead with plans to move the track and soccer field between Education and HPESS to where the agriculture fields are south of the railroad tracks, and whether this decision was made without faculty input. Discussion indicated that this has been in the planning phase for some time, with faculty input during the last two or three years when the campus had consultants come in who were looking at campus planning.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Status of the Profession Committee asked if anyone would have a copy of the short faculty survey form on disk.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bailey adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:30.