

MINUTES
Faculty Senate Academic Affairs
May 5, 2009, 3:30 p.m.
K-State Student Union, Room 204

Present: Carroll, Chengappa, Devore, Hendrix, King, Rintoul, Rogers, Stoskopf, Sump, Turvey-Welch

Absent: Charney, Garcia, Staggenborg

Visitors: Emizet Kisangani, Monty Nielsen, Amy Schultz

1. Doris Carroll, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
2. The April 21, 2009 minutes were approved as submitted.
3. Doris Carroll took a moment to acknowledge those not returning to Academic Affairs for 09-10:

Ag: Scott Staggenborg

Ed: Doris Carroll

Ext: Danny Rogers

HE: Jane Garcia

Univ Libraries: Michelle Turvey-Welch

Vet Med: MM Chengappa

She thanked all committee members for their dedication to the many issues that have been addressed during this year's committee work.

4. Announcements

- Items returned to Academic Affairs by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee:
Approved by Arts and Sciences on April 2, 2009:
Arts and Sciences Dean's Office
AFRICAN STUDIES
Add:
 - A new African Studies Minor (**see Attachment 1**)
 - A new African Studies Certificate (**see Attachment 1**)

A revised proposal was sent out via email to committee members today. Dr. Emizet Kisangani was present from the College of Arts and Sciences to answer questions regarding the minor and certificate. Dr. Kisangani briefly went over the reasons behind why the minor and certificate programs were proposed. Rintoul mentioned the difference in hours between the minor or certificate is not that much. Why the two programs? With the minor, it is *at least* 21 credit hours, but with the certificate it is 18. They believe with the minor, it will draw from other majors and they will most likely take more than the minimum of 21 hours. The assessment plans were briefly reviewed. It was also questioned whether other departments have been contacted regarding the minor and certificate. Dr. Kisangani replied that he has contacted 19 different departments regarding the proposals and none have had a negative response to these. Carroll thanked Dr. Kisangani for attending. The committee felt the questions they had were answered and other clarification was provided, therefore, they felt it appropriate to act on the revised information. A motion was made by Chengappa and seconded by Rintoul to approve the minor and certificate as revised and presented today. Motion carried.

5. Course and Curriculum Changes

- A. General Education – A motion was made by Turvey-Welch and seconded by King to approve the following course change as approved by the UGE Council on April 13, 2009:

◆GEOG 201 Human Geography (Honors) – existing course approved for UGE status

Motion carried.

6. Graduation list additions – A motion was made by Chengappa and seconded by Sump to approve the following graduation list addition:

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Brittany Dawn Trupka, Bachelor of Architecture, College of Architecture, Planning, and Design

Motion carried.

7. Committee Reports

- A. Committee on Academic Policy and Procedures (CAPP) – Doris Carroll

Next meeting will be May 13th.

- B. iSIS Steering Committee – Dave Rintoul

Next meeting will be May 6th.

- C. Student Senate – Wayne Stoskopf

Student Senate had their last meeting this past Thursday. Stoskopf reported that at one of their recent meetings Karen Myers-Bowman presented the information on the K-State 8 program. As is typical with senate bodies, turnover occurs and not all of the incoming senators have had the same history and information as previous members regarding ongoing issues. One of those items was the K-State 8 general education proposal. Therefore, the current student senate body had concerns which they felt were not addressed in the presentation. These concerns were drafted within a resolution. Amy Schultz, Speaker of the Senate, was in attendance today and brought forward what the overall concerns were. As a whole, the students like the idea of the K-State 8 and changing from UGE. However, they had concern over the apparent lack of student involvement in creation of the proposal. Even if the K-State 8 proposal is passed, it will still take a long time before it is instituted. Members of the committee understood students' concerns and questions and also echo them, but many questions will not be answered until later on down the road. Many major issues need to be addressed such as assessment tagging, etc. Those items will take at least a year most likely. It seems appropriate after the passage of the proposal that student senate make a request to the provost to have continued student involvement in the next steps. Carroll thanked Amy Schultz for visiting and addressing the concerns to the Academic Affairs committee.

- D. University Library Committee

No report.

8. For the good of the University

Carroll mentioned the university is in a time of transition and if members can offer their assistance to committees, please do so.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 4:20

Next meeting: May 19, 2009; 3:30 p.m.; Union 204