

**Minutes**  
**Kansas State University Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**June 10, 1997 3:30 p.m. Little Theater, K-State Union**

Present: D. Anderson, Barkley, Behnke, Benson, Bissey, Brigham, Charney, Clegg, Conrow, Deger, Devlin, Dodd, Elkins, Farmer, Fenton, Fenwick, Foster, Grunewald, Hagmann, Higgins, Hightower, Holden, J. Johnson, Koelliker, Lamond, Legg, McClaskey, Miller, Ottenheimer, Oukrop, Peak, Pence, Riemann, Schapaugh, Smith, Stewart, Taylor-Archer, D. Wright, Zschoche

Absent: P. Anderson, Aramouni, Atkinson, Baker, Briggs, Campbell, Delker, Dougan, Dubois, Dyer, Feyerharm, Fjell, Fritz, Gray, Hamilton, Hassan, Jardine, N. Johnson, Jones, Kassebaum, Keiser, Klopfenstein, Krstic, Laughlin, Martin, Mathews, McCulloh, McMurphy, McNamara, Ossar, Rahman, Raub, Reeck, Reeves, Ross, Royse, Schroeder, Shultis, White, Wissman, Woodward, K. Wright, Zabel

Proxies: Balk, Michie, Ross-Murray

- I. President Legg called the meeting to order.
- II. Minutes of the May 13, 1997 meeting were approved as distributed.
- III. Announcements

In addition to the announcements enclosed in the agenda, President Legg made these announcements:

1. The request by KSU for rescission of the policy on out-of-state fees for the dependents of 0.4 - 0.9 time employees was referred to the Budget Committee by Regents' Chair Nolan. A possible action that may be taken by the Regents in their June meeting may not rescind the policy, but simply "grandfather" present employees so that they are not affected by the policy. At the time of the Senate meeting, we have not received the June Regents' Agenda.
2. The Faculty Senate now has a web home page (<http://www.ksu.edu/facsen/>) that will have the minutes and the agenda for Faculty Senate and its major committees posted as well as links to other documents that are of interest to the faculty.
3. We have received a draft of a Regents' Policy on Intellectual Property from Provost Coffman, with a request for input from the Faculty Senate. The Provost wishes to receive all comments/suggestions by October 21, 1997. In keeping with our new policy of minimizing copying costs, this draft policy (**clearly marked as a draft**), together with a letter from Vice President Patton giving some background, will be

made available from our web home page so that faculty may have a chance to read and make comments to their senators.

4. Kristi Harper, Faculty Senate secretary, has a limited number of copies of the procedures for city-university projects.
5. President Legg displayed a plaque to be presented to David Balk in recognition of his outstanding service as Faculty Senate President for the 1996-97 year.

#### IV. Reports from Standing Committees

##### A. Academic Affairs Committee – Don Fenton

##### 1. Course and Curriculum Changes

- a. Senator Fenton moved approval of Undergraduate Course and Curriculum Changes (599 & below) approved by the College of Business Administration April 8, 1997. The motion was seconded and passed.
- b. Senator Fenton moved approval of Undergraduate Course and Curriculum Changes (599 & below) approved by the College of Arts and Sciences April 17, 1997. President Legg pointed out that this did not include changes in Kinesiology 101. The motion was seconded and approved.
- c. Senator Fenton moved approval of Undergraduate Course and Curriculum Changes (599 & below) approved by the College of Education April 22, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.
- d. Senator Fenton moved approval of Undergraduate Course and Curriculum Changes (599 & below) approved by the College of Arts and Sciences February 20, 1997, p. 10: Advising of Undecided Students and p. 11: Interdisciplinary Majors. The motion was seconded and approved.
- e. Senator Fenton moved approval of Undergraduate Course and Curriculum Changes (599 & below) approved by the College of Human Ecology April 11, 1997.
- f. Senator Fenton moved approval of Undergraduate Course and Curriculum Changes (599 & below) approved by the Salina College of Technology and Aviation May 6, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.

##### 2. Graduate Education

- a. Senator Fenton moved approval of Graduate Course Changes approved by the Graduate Council May 6, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.

## **CHANGE**

BAE 705	Irrigation Engineering
BAE 712	Analysis and Design of Off-Highway Vehicles
CIS 630	AI Programming Techniques
CIS 860	Advanced Database Systems
CIS 895	MSE Project
CIS 897	Seminar in Computer Science
CIS 999	Ph.D. Research
EECE 631	Microcomputer Systems Design
EECE 636	Introduction to Computer Graphics
EECE 649	Computer Design I
EECE 663	Digital Error Control Coding
EECE 670	Engineering Applications of Machine Intelligence
EECE 696	Integrated Circuit Design
EECE 725	Integrated Circuit Devices and Processes
EECE 736	Discrete-Time and Computer-Control Systems
EECE 824	Advanced Power Electronics
IAR 602	Design Studio IV
IAR 606	Design Studio V
IAR 705	Design Studio VI
IAR 706	Product Design Studio II
IAR 730	Facility Management
IMSE 651	Standard Data Systems
IMSE 662	Computer Aided Manufacturing
IMSE 672	Robotic Applications
NE 550	Radiation Protection Engineering
NE 630	Nuclear Reactor Theory
NE 648	Nuclear Reactor Laboratory
NE 693	Radiation Shielding Design

## **NEW**

ARCH 740	Building-Related Health and Safety
IAR 600	Design Studio IV Lecture
IAR 607	Design Studio V Lecture
IAR 707	Product Design Studio II Lecture
IAR 708	Design Studio VI Lecture
IMSE 780	Methods of Operations Research
IMSE 825	Tribology in Manufacturing
WOMST 700	Advanced Topics in Women's Studies

## **DROP**

EECE 642	Design of Digital Systems II
EECE 682	Energy Conversion II
EECE 791	Matrix Methods Applied to Electrical Engineering
SPAN 757	Perez Galdos and the Generation of '98

### 3. General Education

- a. Senator Fenton moved approval for general education of a course approved by the General Education Implementation Task Force April 24, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.

HISTORY 520      Death and Dying in History

- b. Senator Fenton moved approval of the College of Arts and Sciences General Education Program Proposal approved by the General Education Implementation Task Force April 24, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.

- c. Senator Fenton moved approval for general education of courses approved by the General Education Implementation Task Force May 5, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.

BUS 251      Financial Accounting  
BUS 252      Managerial Accounting

- d. Senator Fenton moved approval for general education of a course approved by the General Education Implementation Task Force May 12, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.

AGEC 525      Natural Resources and Environmental Economics

- e. Senator Fenton moved approval for general education of courses approved by the General Education Implementation Task Force May 16, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.

ARCH 740      Building Related Health and Safety  
ECON 523      Human Resource Economics  
MANGT 300      Introduction to Total Quality Management

- f. Senator Fenton moved approval of the Salina College of Technology General Education Program Proposal approved by the General Education Implementation Task Force May 16, 1997. The motion was seconded and approved.

4. Senator Fenton moved approval of additions to the December 1996 graduation list. The motion was seconded and approved.
5. Senator Fenton announced that the 1996-7 Annual Report from the Nontraditional Study Advisory Committee had been received by Academic Affairs. It was suggested that the report might be put on the Senate home page.
6. Senator Fenton moved approval of the Committee on Academic Policies proposal for an Intersession Credit Hour Limit. Senator Ottenheimer seconded the motion.

Senator Koelliker asked for clarification of item 4: "Too much learning occurring over too short time span." We agreed that "attempted" would be preferable to "occurring".

Several senators inquired about aspects of the ban on enrollment in overlapping sessions. Senator Foster explained that most courses are in one of the six week sessions or the eight week session. He agreed that "traditional intersession" courses could be taken in May or August which would not overlap with the eight week session. The intention of the assistant deans who developed the policy was to limit the number of hours a week a student would be in class. Clearly the question of "overlapping" sessions is a matter of concern to senators.

Senator Barkley advocated a reassessment of the relationship of credit hours to course content, arguing that if they were appropriate, the matter of student credit load would take care of itself. Permitting students to determine what course load they can handle is another aspect of encouraging their growth, he argued. Senator Riemann agreed that the policy might be too paternalistic, while Senator Dodd suggested the absence of limits could mislead students by implying that they could handle many hours.

Senator Dodd attempted to clarify the proposal by substituting "specific course" for "specific session" in line 3.

Senator Foster moved instead to return the proposal to Academic Affairs for further review and/or further consideration by the Committee on Academic Policies. Senator Conrow seconded his motion. It passed.

7. Senator Fenton moved approval of the policy clarifying which students would be affected by the new General Education program. The motion was seconded.

By consensus, the term "freshmen" was replaced with "new students" and a comma was inserted after "Implementation".

Senator McClaskey asked for clarification regarding students entering this fall who had, for example, earned college credit for English Composition while still in high school. Senator Foster explained that they would be exempt from the requirement. He described as critical that credit must have been produced prior to the fall semester of 1997.

Senator Dodd moved to delete "This date.....so that" in the second sentence. The motion was seconded and approved.

Senator Behnke suggested changing "expectations" in the first sentence to agree with "requirements" in the second. The senators agreed.

Senator Fenwick inquired whether the wording "new students" would affect students who are admitted to the College of Veterinary Medicine after two years of university work and earn the B.S. while enrolled here. Senator Foster indicated that that would not be a problem because the B.S. is granted by the school where the student had completed his/her earlier studies.

The amended motion passed. The policy is:

*For the purposes of University General Education Implementation, Fall semester 1997 new students with no previously acquired Kansas State or transfer credit will be required to meet University General Education requirements. Any student whose acquired credit at Kansas State or any other institution begins Fall 1997 or later will be obligated to meet General Education requirements.*

**B. Faculty Affairs Committee - Brad Fenwick**

Senator Fenwick reported that the committee has held just one organizational meeting. The group has many returnees and he has high expectations for the committee this year. Several specific issues will be discussed:

1. The Ad Hoc report on the function of the Ombudsperson may lead to reevaluation of the wording in the *Faculty Handbook* regarding that post and grievance procedures.
2. The Faculty Senate at Kansas State University is really an Unclassified Senate. The committee will look into concerns with inequitable growth in units in Faculty Senate.
3. Language in the *Faculty Handbook* dealing with the purview of Faculty Senate needs sharpening.
4. Issues of interest to faculty such as the Intellectual Property Policy will be discussed.

He stressed how important it is that committee members learn of pending matters so that the group can deal with them in timely fashion.

President Legg added that the Chairperson of the Grievance Committee last year will report at the August Faculty Senate meeting. He may also try to have a report from the Ombudsperson. In that context, senators were reminded that one Ombudsperson had resigned, one is still serving, and an additional person will be appointed this fall.

**C. Faculty Senate Committee on University Planning – Charles Bissey**

1. Senator Bissey discussed the policy for the City-University Project Fund developed when the city annexed the University. The K-State Budget Director prepares a budget for requests. A committee of representatives of the city and K-State decides what should be funded. However, as Senator McCulloh pointed out, any project funded must be of mutual benefit to both parties. In addition, the money must be spent that year or it reverts to the city's general fund. President Legg encouraged senators to submit proposals which might fit the guidelines.
2. FSCOUP will also be investigating the effects of the tuition accountability program on the University. In the past, tuition collected was sent to the state's general fund and reassigned by the legislature. With tuition accountability the University retains a portion of the tuition raised as a result of increased enrollments.

V. There was no old business.

VI. New Business

A resolution: "Resolved that the Faculty Senate of Kansas State University opposes the proposed permanent closing and public forfeiture of a two-block portion of Laramie Street near the KSU campus." was submitted to the Executive Committee with supporting arguments and signatures of more than five faculty members.

Senator Dodd moved approval of the resolution. The motion was seconded.

Senators Benson and Elkins opposed the resolution, explaining that it was outside the jurisdiction of the Faculty Senate. Senator Charney agreed that the Faculty Senate Constitution does not include such matters. Senator Riemann noted that the Student Senate had defeated the resolution because of the jurisdiction question.

Senators Conrow, Dodd and D. Anderson argued that the University is now part of the city so we should be able to express an opinion on a matter which affects us, especially with respect to traffic and parking.

Senator Benson called the question. His motion was seconded and approved.

The resolution failed on a voice vote.

Abstentions were recorded for Senators Brigham, Conrow, Grunewald, Oukrop, Peak, Smith, and Stewart.

VII. For the Good of the University

President Legg announced that the next meeting will be August 19, 1997. We will meet in the Little Theater.

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.