

**MINUTES**  
**Kansas State University Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**August 21, 2001 3:30 p.m. Big 12 Room, K-State Union**

Present:

Bockus, Bradshaw, Brigham, Burton, Callahan, Chenoweth, Clegg, Cochran, Dandu, Elder, Ewanow, Fairchild, Fallin, Fritz, Galland, Ghert, P. Gormely, S. Gormely, Greene, Haddock, Hancock, Hedrick, Herald, Heublein, Holden, Hosni, Johnson, Jurich, Kirkham, Krstic, Maatta, McCulloh, Minton, Molt, Montelone, Nafziger, Navarrete, Newhouse, Oberst, Olsen, Oukrop, Pacey, Pesci, Pickrell, Prince, Rahman, Ransom, Reeck, Reese, Rys, Schlup, Schmidt, Schumm, Selfridge, Sheu, F. Smith, M. Smith, Spears, Spooner, Tilley, Verschelden, Yagerline, Zabel

Absent: Anderson, Barker, Exdell, Fjell, Karim, Keller, Mack, Mathews, Mortensen, Poresky, Ramaswamy, Reddi, Rintoul, Ross, Roush, Schellhardt, Schrock, Sherow, Watts, White, Wolters

Proxies: Atkinson, Cox, Frieman

Visitors: Paul Restivo

- I. President Cia Verschelden called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. All Senators present introduced themselves.
- II. It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2001 meeting. Motion passed.
- III. Announcements  
For announcements, President Verschelden referred senators to the August 13, 2001 Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting draft minutes attached to the agenda.
  - A. Faculty Senate Leadership Council—no additional announcements
  - B. Kansas Board of Regents meeting—no additional announcements
  - C. Principles of Community

President Verschelden distributed the final Principles of Community document to Senate. It has been framed and distributed to deans and department heads at the department head retreat last Friday. At this time there is not a plan to distribute a copy to each faculty member. However, the Principles will soon be placed on the university web page in order to make them widely available to the university community. Departments could make copies for faculty and staff or may order additional copies from the K-State Printing Services.

- D. Other

1. Documents received by Faculty Leadership will be listed each month in the Faculty Senate Executive Committee minutes. Faculty may contact the Faculty Senate office for a copy of any document listed. If any senator is concerned about this policy, please contact President Verschelden.
2. There is one university ombudsperson position vacancy. Please make suggestions to President Verschelden for this position. Last year the Senate added a third ombudsperson position with the idea that the position could be filled by either a faculty member or an unclassified professional.
3. The new Coordinator of Mediation Services position will be the contact for faculty in need of mediation services. The position allows for a \$5,000 stipend. Suggestions for this position should also be made to President Verschelden.
4. President Verschelden announced the need for volunteers or suggestions for these additional committee appointments:
  - President's Committee on Multicultural Affairs - Talat Rahman has agreed to continue on this committee, one additional senator must be appointed.
  - Search Committee Working Group - One faculty member should be appointed to this committee that will develop implementation procedures for university search committee processes.
  - Faculty Handbook Committee - Need a volunteer for a three-year term on this committee. Most work is done via e-mail.
  - University Library Committee - This committee needs a chair.

#### IV. Reports from Standing Committees

##### A. Academic Affairs Committee - Jackie Spears

1. Spears moved approval of a posthumous Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Social Work for Kelly Anne Roberts (approved by electronic vote by Academic Affairs August 15, 2001). Motion passed.

##### B. Faculty Affairs Committee - Vicki Clegg—no action items

##### C. Faculty Senate Committee on University Planning - John Johnson

1. The University Budget process will be a very involved issue for this fall.
2. Johnson will establish a subcommittee to address classroom space.
3. The plans for parking garages and traffic flow did not receive enough consensus from groups to proceed on the university's long range plans. Open space still may have some questions as well. The 2000 Census came out after the plan was developed and will impact the mass transit portion of the plan.
4. President Verschelden mentioned that Dr. Rawson has expanded the Council on Parking Operations to include more faculty and has changed the chair to no longer be the Director of Parking Services.

D. Faculty Senate Committee on Technology - John Pickrell

Pickrell has just recently been appointed as chair of this committee. They have already begun to deal with the issues of handicapped accessibility to university web pages, particularly for the blind. For example, all pictures on web pages should have a caption and web page text available in Braille. Let him know if there are issues for this committee to address.

V. Old Business--None

VI. New Business

A. Proclamation for Non-Violence Awareness Day—President Verschelden read a proposed proclamation in support of increasing non-violence awareness. Senator Nafziger moved to approve the proclamation. Motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously. There will be a non-violence campaign rally on August 29, 2001 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the K-State Student Union. **ATTACHMENT 1**

B. Senator Johnson, a member of the e-commerce committee, announced that zK-State.com is basically dead. Nothing new is being added by K-State at this time. Intercollegiate Athletics, Alumni and Foundation are all developing their own web presence. The expected revenue stream will not materialize. Senator Jurich, also a committee member, expressed concern about the direction of a university portal and potential related costs to development of the portal.

VII. For the Good of the University

A. President Verschelden will be walking in the Relay for Life American Cancer Society fundraiser in honor of Kelly Anne Roberts, today's posthumous degree recipient. She will welcome any donations.

B. Senator Hosni requested that Senator Ransom discuss the university's new 15-passenger van policy. Senator Ransom recently spoke with Dr. Rawson who indicated that the policy would likely change to allow for 12 passengers and that seats in 15-passenger vans would not be removed. This new policy will be as liberal as any other Regents' institution policy and will require approval by the University Attorney.

VIII. Adjournment

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**PROCLAMATION  
OF THE  
FACULTY SENATE**

**KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY  
AUGUST 21, 2001**

**Where As....**

Violence is such a serious problem in America the U.S. Surgeon General has named it a major threat to public health,

**Where As....**

Violence tends to be directed at women, children, and the disenfranchised,

**Where As....**

Manhattan and Kansas State University are integral parts of a world that experiences repercussions along a Continuum of Violence, from:

silence and withholding, to  
belittling and insults, to  
bullying and threats, to  
pushing and fighting, to  
sexual, racial, and other forms of harassment and discrimination, to  
drinking and drug abuse, to  
stealing, vandalism, and using weapons, to  
hate crimes, assaults and domestic violence, to  
date rape and stranger rape and other abuse of power to  
murder, to  
suicide, even to  
war,

**Where As....**

Violence in its wide-ranging manifestations can be seen as a social disease, therefore, we, you and I are the cure; or, as Gandhi said, we “must be the change we wish to see in the world.”

**Where As....**

Many citizens of the interdependent communities of Manhattan, Kansas State University and surrounding areas have agreed to work together to promote a community that is safe, respectful and equitable for all citizens,

**Where As....**

The first ten years of the new millennium has been proclaimed the International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Nonviolence by the United Nations and whereas Kansas State University is commencing a long-term commitment to ending violence by teaching, modeling and expecting nonviolence through the efforts of its new K-State Campaign for Nonviolence,

**NOW, THEREFORE,** We, the Faculty Senate of Kansas State University, do hereby proclaim August 29, 2001 as Nonviolence Awareness Day and give our wholehearted support of nonviolence education in our campus community.

In Witness Whereof, I, Cia Verschelden, as President of the KSU Faculty Senate, have given my signature on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2001.