Attachment 7 FS President's Report December 9, 2008

Presidents Announcements

- 1. Applications for the position of KSU President are being reviewed.
- 2. The Budget response committee meets bi-weekly. The committee consists of Provost Duane Nellis, Ruth Dyer, Pat Bosco, Tom Rawson, Bruce Shubert, Fred Fairchild, Mike Holen, Cindy Bontrager, Jennyfer Owensby, and Lydia Peele. The group will include FSCOUP and additional faculty as our plans develop. The next meeting is scheduled for December 18.
- 3. The Faculty Senate Leadership Committee has recommended to the Provost that searches for the following positions be stopped or not started and ask the current interims to continue until better information is available on budget challenges:

Dean of the Graduate School
Dean of Continuing Education
Associate Provost for International Programs
Vice Provost of Info Tech Services
Chief Information Officer

4. The Workload Taskforce has been established, but has not met yet.

Faculty Senate Leadership Council

The FSLC meets weekly to discuss and work on various issues affecting the faculty and unclassified professionals. FSLC also meets monthly with President Wefald and his staff, and with Provost Nellis and his staff.

Kansas Board of Regents

From November 19-20, 2008 meeting

Board of Regents Action

- 1. Approved Major in Entrepreneurship for KSU.
- 2. Approved KSU request to finish additional space in Pat Roberts Hall with private funding.
- 3. Modified amending Spoken English Language Competency policy to allow new internet testing to be used.
- 4. First Reading of Housing and Food Service adjustments for FY 2010. KSU proposes yearly cost of \$6752, a \$304 increase.
- Received report from State Budget Director, Duane Goossen. Budget projections currently based on flat revenues through FY10, but if state revenue falls, worse conditions will occur.
- 6. BOR will not contest 3% budget cut for FY09, but will formally contest all other budget cuts to verify they do cause major financial problems for higher ed.

Council of University Faculty Senate Presidents

From October 16, 2008 meeting:

- 1. Discussed intellectual property issues at other schools
- 2. Discussed Health Insurance waiting periods for new hires