

College of Education
Faculty Assembly Minutes
January 25, 2005

I. Call to order at 8:30am by Dr. Trudy Salsberry.

II. Minutes from the October 26, 2004 meeting were approved.

III. Standing Committee Reports

A. Academic Affairs- Reported by Dr. Ken Hughey

1. Minor modifications for the following Educational Leadership courses were proposed and approved:
EDLST 212, EDLST 350, EDLST 405, EDLST 430, and EDLST 450. A new course, EDLST 502, was also proposed and approved.

B. Faculty Affairs- Reported by Dr. Frank Spikes

1. The 2005 COE Alumni Fellow is Dr. Sylvia Robinson. Dr. Spikes is arranging her schedule. The schedule is being coordinated with the College of Agriculture since Dr. Robinson's husband is the Alumni Fellow for the College of Agriculture.

C. Student Affairs- No report

D. Diversity Committee- Reported by Dr. Kimberly Staples

1. MLK Day events were held on January 19, 2005. Faculty and students were invited to a panel discussion on the professional environment during the time of Brown vs. Board of Education.

IV. Other Reports

A. Faculty Senate- Reported by Dr. Jackie Spears

1. The preliminary budget announcements seem to be optimistic. There do not appear to be any unfunded mandates.
2. Thanks to the continued leadership of Dr. Bob Zabel, two recommendations are being forwarded to the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee: (1) an increase in the size of salary increments for assistant to associate professor ranks and associate to full professor ranks; (2) establish a faculty rank above full professor such as Senior Professor.
3. A tuition assistance plan is being considered by the Board of Regents. This plan would allow three to six hours of tuition coverage for dependents of Kansas State Employees.
4. Students are encouraging involvement in the "The Pick-A-Professor" program.
5. The current drop policy is being reviewed. Students are asking for a relaxation of the policy.
6. The University is considering subscribing to an organization that searches for possible plagiarism through paper examinations.

B. Graduate Council- No report

C. GSE- No report

D. Library- No report

E. Education Council- Reported by Justin Raybern.

1. There will be a meeting on January 25, 2005. The Council will plan events for the semester. Meetings will occur on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

V. Old Business-None

VI. Announcements

1. Dr. Marjorie Hancock will hold a Curriculum and Instruction meeting on Thursday.
2. Dr. Warren White reported that a North Central Accreditation committee will visit campus on February 21. The focus of this visit will be assessment including the work of the University on Student Learning Outcomes (SLO).
3. Dr. Trudy Salsberry asked faculty to nominate individuals for the Classified Employee of the Year. Nominations are due by February 7, 2005.

VII. New Business- None

VIII. Dean's Report- Dean Mike Holen

1. Dean Holen thanked Dr. Warren White for an outstanding job with coordinating the assessment package including the responsibilities of including the SLO's into program decisions.
2. Steven Robinson is the new development officer with the Foundation. He will be attending COE faculty meetings. Mr. Robinson welcomes anyone with suggestions or ideas for fundraising.
3. The Dean is very hopeful about the Governor's budget message. The recommended funding is good news.
4. Dr. BeEtta Stoney will meet with University Department Heads regarding environment issues. Congratulations to Dr. Stoney for receiving this invitation.
5. Dean Holen is addressing the best way to handle the travel situation for those faculty who travel the state regularly. Air travel is a complicated issue due to the language of the regulations.
6. Dean Holen is engaging in conversations regarding K-State Online and Blackboard. The COE is exceeding the capacity of the current level of Blackboard licensure and the next level of Blackboard is an expensive upgrade. The COE is exploring the option of K-State Online.
7. Dean Holen is not involved in the USD 383 superintendent search. He looks forward to maintaining a close relationship with the new superintendent.
8. Dr. Jan Wissman announced that Telefund begins on Sunday. Please support and encourage students to attend. Faculty are invited to attend and provide moral support to the callers.

The meeting was adjourned.

Judy Hughey
Secretary