

The sixth meeting of the AY 2015-16 Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:13 pm on Monday, November 16, 2015, Hathaway Hall Room 123. Agenda was approved and the Faculty Senate minutes of November 2, 2015 were approved.

Budget and Academic Support Committee Report:

Vice-Chair Rye reported for BASC. The committee has still neither received a line-item budget from the administration nor a response from President Burse to

value of such a decision and that their "physical presence in classes" is valuable. A Senator suggested this was not the original point of concern.

Another raised the question of whether it is desirably or not to have two sets of standards for Freshmen; one standard for those who live in dorms and another for those who live locally in apartments or with family. Another Senator seconded that concept as a problem, i.e. that if it is indeed better quality to experience traditional classes then why are there two standards of quality, one for campus students and one for off-campus students? He also suggested that KSU is going against the national trend to develop flexible scheduling options, including on-line for efficiency. Another Senator raised the problem for residential students who have to work and juggle class and work schedules.

A Senator pointed out that the policy of no on-line 100 level courses is being administered differently across the campus and that Chairs need to be given definitive guidelines so that there is consistency.

Registrar Goletz said that the issue started because of parents contacting the school with concerns about students paying to live on campus and then placed in on-line classes.

A Senator pointed out that is not the reason the problem started and that there was a specific incident on campus that raised concern. Another Senator said that regardless the VPAA did say that parents were calling.

One Senator said students who register late have to take classes that are open and available. This adds to Freshmen in on-line classes. A Senator reiterated the problem of inconsistent application of the moratorium on 100 level on-line classes, saying his is still pending, and that whatever the decision is that parents and students who are paying for classes need to know. If all sections of traditional classes are full will students be allowed to take on-line classes or will other sections be opened? Regent McFayden said that the administration needs to understand the no adjuncts policy is at the root of that problem. He asked if we know how many programs are out of compliance with accreditation standards. Chair Moffett said that the APC has not taken up that question and President Smith suggested it was a PCC matter.

President Smith said he has not had the chance to discuss the proposed recent new Final Exam Schedule that includes Saturday finals, with the Committee and just sent it out for members to see.

Professional Concerns Committee Report:

Chair Kumar reported that the PCC discussed classroom safety and wants a wider audience input to design clear policy for the documentation of student incidents in classrooms, how to properly handle, and how to report the incident to the next administrative or staff level. The committee will conduct research into how other schools deal with this policy. He called the KSU Chief of Police to inquire if there is a policy. The Active Shooter protocol form outside is on the web-site but he will meet with Chair Kumar on Thursday to discuss and work on guidelines.

The committee discussed unannounced visits to classrooms. The Chair of the Board of Regents went to someone's class with no notification. While nothing negative ensued it was discussed that an email announcing such a visit would be good protocol and that a recommendation should be sent to the Dean. It is questionable for someone unknown to enter a classroom.

He emailed Dean Shaw-Berbick to inquire about the status of Tenure and Promotion and the status of those who submitted last year. She said this year it is suspended but did not respond to the second question. Chair Kumar repeated the question in writing and the reply was that she will get back with him.

Regent McFayden asked if anyone knows how faculty were selected for Post Tenure Review this year. A Chair responded that only 35 faculty members were left on campus who were not reviewed last year and they pulled out 25 to review. Regent McFayden said he thought the administration should give faculty a year

in committee, there was not consensus on the issue, and they decided to not press the issue of cancellation of classes. It will be a difficult situation if some faculty try to meet and others do not. What

The situation of KSU's sports programs was discussed and the question raised of what Spring sports will look like. A Senator said that President Burse has not made further cuts but rather that all except the Head Coaches will have other jobs as well. Regent McFayden said that the athletic budget has been cut in half already. A senator said that of the original \$4.2M budget for athletics that currently only \$1.3M is being spent, so someone is not telling the truth.

It was reported that President Burse said in the Town Hall meeting that KSU has a 53% African American population and the question was raised how this was calculated. Is he counting the high school dual credit students as well?

The meeting adjourned at 4:27 pm

Minutes Submitted by: Reba Rye, Faculty Senate Secretary