## **Senators**

A Alhuani, Abdallah\_\_\_\_\_ Amusan, Ibukun \_\_\_\_\_ Andries, Ken Assefa, Tibebe Capriles, Nancy Glass, Cindy\_\_\_\_\_ Graham, William\_\_\_\_\_ Griffin, Robert Griffis, Bruce Grimes, Kristopher\_\_\_ Gyawali, Buddhi\_\_\_\_\_ Kumar, Ashok\_\_\_\_\_ Landy, Tucker \_ Liu, Zhanping \_\_\_\_\_ Moffett, Joe\_\_\_\_ Ray, Andrew\_\_\_\_ Ross, Scott Rye, Reba Sharma, Rita Sipes, Kim Smith, Peter Tate, Debbra \_\_\_

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The tenth meeting of the AY 2015-16 Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:11 pm on Monday, February 15, 2016, Hathaway Hall Room 123. Agenda was approved and Faculty Senate minutes of February 1, 2015 were approved with one amendment.

After brief discussion, a Senate Resolution was passed unanimously with voice vote in support of the state-wide student initiated demonstration in opposition to Governor Bevins proposed state budget with cuts to higher education.

Chair Moffett reported that the VPAA sent back the Senate proposal for policy of Freshmen and on-line classes with only minor amendments, such as required VPAA final approval.

The history of the Rising Junior Exam was discussed and Secretary Rye will send Bruce Griffith the information she has from Sue Allen's files in his role of Chair of the Liberal Studies Committee

Action Item APC 15 16 06 was presented that resulted from SACS needing clarification on transfer credit policy for graduate students and graduate residency requirements.

The Action Item passed unanimously with voice vote.

Chair Andries reminded the Senate that any action items for Fall 2016 implementation must be to the committee by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

He reported that two courses proposals were tabled in committee for more work. One is a new LLP class and the other HPER.

After discussion an Action Item to remove the prerequisites and Senior status for AFE 443 Apiculture/Pollination Biology passed unanimously by voice vote, with one friendly amendment. The class listing is changed from This will be on-line class to This class shall be While it currently designed as a webcast class it can possibly not be limited to on-line in the future.

An Action Item for a new course, AQU 201, passed unanimously by voice vote. This is a lower level class offered by Aquaculture and offered for dual enrollment.

A Senator inquired if it could be used as a Natural Science fulfillment in the Liberal Studies Core Curriculum. No, it is not currently, but that could be pursued later.

Chair Ross reported that the Committee met and discussed the current financial challenges facing KSU relative to the Governor's proposed budget. This information will most appropriate for discussion later under Other Business.

Chair Kumar reported that the committee met and discussed the letter from President Burse on the state budget and KSU the committee s concern for the public impression and recruitment impact. They discussed continued customer service concerns, such as responses from administrators and staff to emails and calls, and salary inequities of new hires with current tenured faculty.

Regent McFayden reported that the search for a new health care provider has been completed and information will be forthcoming.

Vice-President Grimes took the gavel and President Smith made a motion for the Senate to go into closed session due to discussion of personnel matters. The Motion was seconded and passed with two abstentions.

Returning to open session, the Senate voted by secret ballot to present to the full faculty a vote of confidence for the President and Board of Regents. The vote, as tallied by President Smith, Secretary Rye and Senator Bruce Griffis was 14 yes votes for a vote of confidence on both the President and the Board, 1 vote yes for vote only on the President, 3 no votes, 1 abstention, and one ballot was thrown out by consensus for not being specific enough to count.

A motion was made, seconded and passed for the Executive Committee to edit and draft a rationale statement to be presented to the full Senate for approval, and if approved then dissemination to the full faculty for information purposes in voting decisions.

Random pin numbers were assigned blindly to envelopes with full-time faculty s names that will be hand-delivered. Senators present received their envelopes. These pins will be used to anonymously vote on a non-university controlled site. The voting will be open through Thursday, Feb. 18.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm

Minutes Submitted by: Reba Rye, Faculty Senate Secretary