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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting October 20, 2004, 3:30 p.m. ENGR 209

Tom Jensen, Chair Linda Jones, Secretary Minutes Status: **Approved**

Present

Officers: Jensen, Riggs, Jones, Rogers, Thomas

Senators (elected): Allison, Cantrell, Comfort, Deaton, Dennis, Denny, Di Brezzo, Elliot, Evans, Gay, Gordon, Hanlin, Hall, Haydar, James, Killenbeck, Kopp, Kral, Lawson, Martin, McGee, Miller, Rosenkrans, Rupe, Ryan, Salisbury, Wailes, Waller, Watkins

Senators (admin): Allen, Geren, Smith, Williams

Absent

Officers: Brady

Senators (elected): Cornell, Curington, Farley, Freund, Hughes, King, Matlock, Murphy, Popp, Riha, Rom, Sears, Webb, Wilson, Zajicek

Senators (admin): Atkinson, Bobbitt, Dutton, Greenwood, Saxena, Shannon, Weidmann, White

I. Call to Order: Tom Jensen, Faculty Senate Chair

Tom Jensen called the meeting to order at 3:31.

II. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was accepted by unanimous consent.

III. Approval of Minutes: September 15, 2004

http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2003to2004/fsminutes091504.html

The minutes of September 15, 2004 were approved.

IV. Reports

A. Provost's Report

The Provost reported on the following:

1) Continuing Education Division Task Force - This task force was just appointed and Jeff Shannon, Dean of Architecture, is the Chair. The charge of this committee is to consider the mission of Continuing Education, its range of activities, comparison of this institution to our peers, the balance of degree and non-degree programs, college and high school courses, distance education delivery, the emphasis of media services and continuing education programs, the integration of Continuing Education into the fabric of the U of A, and its involvement in international education and development. The task force will report to the Provost by April 1, 2005. Departments are encouraged to think about what they can do through this division to off-set some of the state revenue.

2) Innovation Center - The Arkansas Research and Technology Park - The U of A continues to work with the city of Fayetteville and recently added the Innovation Center. The Technology Development Foundation, Chaired by John Lewis, continues to explore technology transfer and technology development.

3) UA Rome Center for Architecture and the Humanities - In place for 14 years. Recently, it has been expanded to include humanities/arts and sciences students and not just architecture students. 65 grants were awarded this past year to help students study in Rome. If interested in establishing a study abroad program like this one, let the Provost know.

B. Faculty Senate Chair's Report

The Faculty Senate Chair reported on the following:

The Teaching Council has been charged to look into the university's attendance policy. They will report their findings to the Chair of the Faculty Senate.

A. Motion from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee to add Men's and Women's Athletics Directors to the Faculty Senate as ex officio, non-voting members.

AMENDMENT ON FACULTY SENATE MEMBERSHIP ARTICLE II - THE FACULTY SENATE

B. Membership

3. The Chancellor, the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the dean of each college or school (including the Graduate School and Continuing Education), the dean (or director) of University libraries, **and the directors of women's and men's intercollegiate athletics**, shall be non-voting members of the Faculty Senate. This provision does not preclude any dean or director from election as a voting representative pursuant to paragraphs 4-8 below.

Motion from the Faculty Senate to add Men's and Women's athletic directors as members ex-officio of the Faculty Senate.

18 senators in favor of the motion 7 senators against the motion

The motion passes and now goes to the Campus Faculty.

VI. New Business

A. A Resolution Concerning Changes in the University of Arkansas Health Care Plan

WHEREAS, QualChoice and the University of Arkansas System report that significant increases in the cost of medical claims to the University of Arkansas System health care plan have occurred over the past few years; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas System health care plans have paid more and higher claims resulting in expenses exceeding revenue over the past few years; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas System anticipates the need to raise premiums and/or make revisions in plan coverage totaling approximately 20% effective January 2005;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS that half of the anticipated 20% change in the University of Arkansas health plan come from an increase in premiums (\approx 10%) and the other half from revisions in plan coverage (\approx 10%).

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS that the recommended $\approx 10\%$ increase in premiums for health care coverage be paid by the University.

Resolution passes.

B. Consent Agenda

Matters from University Course and Programs Committee and the Graduate Council

1. Course change proposals:

a. Undergraduate Courses (Table A) – Approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on 9/24/04.

Table A- http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/tablea102004.pdf

b. Graduate Courses (Table B) – Approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on 8/27/04 and the Graduate Council on 9/16/04.

Table B- http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/tableb102004.pdf

c. Dual Credit Courses (Table C) – Approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on 8/27/04 and the Graduate Council on 9/16/04.

Table C- http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/tablec102004.pdf

2. Program change proposals in the College of Education and Health Professions, Undergraduate Programs: Table D (Attachment D1-D5). Approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on 9/24/04.

D1 - http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen/2004to2005/attachd1102004.pdf D2 - http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen/2004to2005/attachd2102004.pdf D3 - http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen/2004to2005/attachd3102004.pdf D4 - http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/attachd4102004.pdf D5 Side 1http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/attachd5102004side1.pdf D5 Side 2http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/attachd5102004side2.pdf

3. New graduate program proposals: Table E (Attachments E1-E3) Approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on 8/27/04 and the Graduate Council on 9/16/04.

Tables D and E - http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/tablesdande102004.pdf

- a. Certificate of Public Service
- b. Master of Public Service

E1 - http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/attache1102004.pdf E2 - http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/attache2102004.pdf E3 - http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2004to2005/attache3102004.pdf

All items were approved by unanimous consent.

VII. Announcements

Campus Faculty Meeting, Tuesday, November 9, 2004, 3:00 p.m., Giffels Auditorium. Attorney General Mike Bebee is scheduled to speak.

VIII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.