

# Kentucky State University Faculty Senate Minutes

February 29, 2016

<u>Senators</u>		<u>Ex Officio Members and Guests Present</u>
A	<u>Assefa, Tibebe</u>	<u>BSS</u>
	<u>Alhuani, Abdallah</u>	<u>Nursing</u>
A	<u>Amusan, Ibukun</u>	<u>Math &amp; Sciences</u>
	<u>Andries, Ken</u>	<u>AFE</u>
	<u>Capriles, Nancy</u>	<u>BSS</u>
	<u>Glass, Cindy</u>	<u>BSS</u>
	<u>Graham, William</u>	<u>Education</u>
	<u>Griffin, Robert</u>	<u>Fine Arts</u>
	<u>Griffis, Bruce</u>	<u>Math &amp; Sciences</u>
	<u>Gyawali, Buddhi</u>	<u>at-large</u>
	<u>Kumar, Ashok</u>	<u>at-large</u>
	<u>Landy, Tucker</u>	<u>Whitney Young</u>
	<u>Liu, Zhanping</u>	<u>Computer Science</u>
	<u>Moffett, Joe</u>	<u>LLP</u>
	<u>Ray, Andrew</u>	<u>Aquaculture</u>
	<u>Ross, Scott</u>	<u>Fine Arts</u>
	<u>Rye, Reba</u>	<u>at-large</u>
	<u>Sharma, Rita</u>	<u>Math &amp; Sciences</u>
	<u>Sipes, Kim</u>	<u>at-large</u>
	<u>Smith, Peter</u>	<u>LLP</u>
A	<u>Tope, Avinash</u>	<u>AFE</u>
	<u>Ulrich, Stephen</u>	<u>PUA,SW,CJ</u>
	<u>Wang, Changzheng</u>	<u>at-large</u>
	Representative needed from Nursing	

The tenth regularly scheduled meeting of the AY 2015-16 Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:10pm on Monday, February 29, 2016, Hathaway Hall Room 123. The agenda was approved and Faculty Senate minutes of February 15, 2015 were approved with no amendments.

Due to resignations the Senate elected officer replacements. Bruce Griffis was nominated by Reba Rye, seconded by Kim Davis, and elected unanimously by acclamation to serve as Vice-President.

Changzheng Wang self-nominated and was elected Parliamentarian by unanimous acclamation.

### **Curriculum Committee Report:**

Chair Andries reminded the Senate that any action items for Fall 2016 implementation must be to the committee by the first meeting in March.

#### **The following Actions Items were discussed and passed:**

FSCC 15-16-05, LLP added a new course titled Literary Genres, ENG330

FSCC 15-16-09, changed Math prerequisite for AQU425 from MAT 120 to MAT 115 or MAT 176, change course hours from 4 to 3 credit hours, change course prefix and number to AFE 426

FSCC 15-16-10, new courses in aquaponics, Aquaponics AQU452 (undergraduate) and AQU 552 (graduate level).

FSCC 15-16-11, eliminate current Physical Education Non-Teaching major and revise it with updated degree in Exercise Science.

FSCC 15-16-12, deletion of Sociology courses:

SOC 201 – Economics of Food and Agriculture (content taught elsewhere on campus)

SOC 202 – Rural Communities: Legacy and Change (no demand/no expert)

SOC 312 – Sociology of Poverty (redundant with SOC 321)

SOC 350 – Urban Sociology (redundant with SOC 305)

SOC 400 – Internships (no demand, can use SOC 490, Practicum)

SOC 428 – Applied Sociology (redundant with SOC 305)

SOC 430 – Child and Welfare Services (content taught elsewhere on campus)

FSCC 15-16-14, change all Music Major Applied courses to variable credit hours, 1 for non-majors and 2 for majors. 1- 2 variable hours MUA 161, 162, 261, 361, 362 and 1-3 variable hours MUA 461

FSCC 15-16-15, Deletion of classes and replaced by use of variable credit classes in FSC 15-16-14. Delete MUA 181, 182, 281, 282, 381, 382, 481

FSCC 15-16-16, Change MUA 482 to MUA 462 and change title to Performance Major Applied VIII/Lab.

FSCC 15-16-17, Change Minor in Music Performance (21 credit hours) to Minor in Music (18 credit hours).

FSCC 15-16-18, Change description of BA in Music curriculum for improved clarity.

FSCC 15-16-19, Delete MUS099, a remedial/preparatory course and content absorbed by Music Theory I and applied lessons.

FSCC 15-16-20, new course titled EDU 101 Introduction to Education, dual credit class

FSCC 15-16-21, new course titled EDU 206 PRAXIS CASE: Mathematics Test Prep Seminar

### **Academic Policy Committee Report:**

APC Chair Moffett presented the completed proposed policy statements to create consistency for the delivery of online course content at KSU. After extensive discussion the policy passed as written by a vote of 13 yeas, 2 nays, and 3 abstentions.

The Academic Calendar was presented with Midterm Exams week seven, beginning two weeks before Homecoming Week. Senior grades will continue to be due one week early. The calendar passed by a vote of 11 yeas, 4 nays, 2 abstentions.

Vice-President Bruce Griffis, as Chair of the Liberal Studies Core Curriculum Committee, presented an Action Item to remove the successful completion of the Rising Junior Exam from the list of Academic Requirements for Graduation. The Exam was established to measure core competencies and assess liberal studies outcomes. There is no record of the Senate passing this requirement and this proposal will take it out of the KSU Catalogue. The proposal passed unanimously.

A Senator raised the question of what we should tell students. It was determined to inform them to wait and see if they are requested to take the exam this Spring.

The APC met with Candice Jackson and they are working on a new system for students to certify for graduation on an on-going basis.

### **Budget and Academic Support Committee Report:**

Chair Ross reported that the committee discussed the Senate vote to rescind the recent call for vote of confidence on the President and Board of Regents and if the proposal should be presented again with different protocols. The opinion of committee members was 3 no and 2 yes at this time. The committee discussed the possibility of dividing out the issues and drafting separate resolutions or censors specific to each. The budget hearings are still on hold, with no announced schedule.

A non-senator said that everyone still needs to keep an eye on the deferred compensation schedules and amounts on their accounts. The last mistake he discovered of payment not sent in on time is being corrected. However, corrections cannot be made on W2s for 2016 if the mistake was in 2015.

### **Professional Concerns Committee Report:**

Chair Kumar reported that the PCC discussed the governor's proposed budget and issues outlined in the recent proposal to call for a vote of confidence on the President and Board of Regents. Both sides of the issue was represented by members of the committee but it was agreed that this should be discussed in full Senate.

A Senator expressed the opinion that it should be discussed by the full faculty instead of the Senate. Other Senators expressed the opinion that it should be the Senate's initiative to discuss and decide to present to the full faculty for their vote, and then the full faculty will in turn discuss and vote.

Procedural issues were discussed, including the requirement for a three day interval between the motion and vote by Senate to call for a vote of the full faculty and the beginning of the voting process. The question was also raised of the protocol to announce the agenda three days prior to a meeting. Issues with electronic voting and confidentiality were discussed.

They will have a new Action Item for the next Senate meeting. One of the FY2014/15 Actions (PCC 14-15-01) that was missing in Hume Hall will need to go up again. This designates specific Midterm grades, as opposed to F or D. Secretary Rye will check if the VPAA now has that copy.

**Other Business:**

Secretary Rye asked for Senator's opinions on the nature and format of minutes. According to Robert's Rules of Order, only actions should be recorded and no attempt should be made to summarize discussion. Senators were of differing opinions and no determination was reached.

President Smith raised the question of how much money was budgeted for the consulting firms brought in. The desirability of hiring external professionals for short-term contracts was discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm

Minutes Submitted by: Reba Rye, Faculty Senate Secretary