

University Council Meeting Minutes Monday October 18, 2010 – 3:00 PM -4:40 PM.

Randy Stuart, President of the KSU Faculty Senate called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM

Members in attendance: Dr. Papp, Randy Stuart, Faculty Senate; Doug Moodie, Faculty Senate; Rifka Mayani, Administrative Senate; Christina Coronado, Administrative Senate; Debbie Chimeno, Staff Senate; Queen Okoro, SGA; Jim Cope, Chair's Council; Charles Amlaner, Dean's Council; Jorge Perez, President's Cabinet, Tisha McCalla, Staff Senate;

OLD BUSINESS: Approval of last month's minutes

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Papp gave an update the Human Resources Advisory Committee. He had previously said it should be kept going, but after talking with Rod Bossert in HR, he learned that HR policies are handed down from the Board of Regents, who have an understaffed office that tries to balance the needs of the institutions with the State of GA requirements, and not open to input from the institutional level.

There are no guidelines in the faculty handbook on how to dissolve committee, but Randy Stuart said that this would be addressed as the Faculty Handbook Committee works on revising the Handbook. Dr. Papp mentioned that there were guidelines for revising policy, so those can be used to create a dissolution policy. To begin the process, the Administrators Senate will send a formal request to dissolve the HRAC.

Facilities Use Fee Committee - Joan Duncan is the committee chair, and would like it to become a standing committee. It is comprised of people from Budget, Facilities, Parking, Public Safety, and Student Government. Rifka Mayani suggested a Marketing Council rep, or someone from University Relations. Dr. Papp thinks the composition of it makes sense, but will have the University Council look at it and see who else needs to be on it, and then go through the processes to make it a standing committee. Typically, a request for a standing committee goes to the senates, where they discuss the committee's purpose and membership, and then to the University Council. Since this is will be a standing committee, Dr. Duncan would meet with the senates with all the information. It was suggested that the name be changed as well. An example of the purpose of this committee is that KSU has about six high schools using the Convocation Center for graduation, but it is costly - several hundred thousand dollars a year, and there is a need to have the county help with the cost. The question was asked if the demand has changed since the fee was implemented. Dr. Papp responded that it had not, because there are not many places that have this kind of seating.

On Friday, Randy Stuart received proposals for Parking and Food Advisory Committees to be standing committees.

College of Continuing Education and Professional Development – Do they have adequate representation in the shared governance? Rifka Mayani stated that since they are now considered a “college”, they have representation through their Academic Affairs representative within the Administrative Senate, and it should be the same in the Staff Senate. Dr. Papp stated that they are represented on Dean’s council, but not on the Faculty Senate because there are no full-time tenured faculty in that area. The Chairs’ Council was mentioned, but Dr. Papp said the Chairs’ Council was an academic committee, and the directors in ConEd do not have full-time faculty status.

It was decided that the College of Continuing Education and Professional Development is represented on the Deans’ Council by Dr. Calhoun, and they would not be on the Chairs’ council.

Football Forums – Several football forums will take place the first week of November for students, faculty and staff, with varying times on different days to accommodate most class schedules. There will be 2 additional forums for faculty for issues that are focused on them. These forums are taking place a week before student voting begins on the football issue.

Louise Lawson working with Ali Kamran, Darius Robinson, Nancy King and Jerome Ratchford compiled a survey asking the students if they would be willing to pay \$100 each semester to support a football team and an NCAA women’s Title IX team - Yes or No. The survey will be linked by ESS into Owl Express.

We should know by November 16 if we go to the next stage. If the students are in support of football, then, KSU has 18-30 months to raise \$8-\$12 million for infrastructure needs. If successful, the plan will be submitted to BOR for approval in Spring 2012.

The discussion then centered on marketing and the voting process for students. The marketing will start 2 weeks before the actual voting begins. Queen Okoro said that she was unsure of the feelings of the entire student body, but stated that the Student Government was in favor of football. Charlie Amlaner asked when marketing for corporate sponsors would begin. Dr. Papp replied this would start the day after we know the student votes are positive. Jorge Perez asked if out of 23,000 students, we only have 5,000 who vote, will that result be considered? Dr. Papp responded that with the massive publicity that is being planned, if they do not vote, then it shows that they do not care.

Since students vote through Owl Express, each vote is confidential, but not anonymous. To make it anonymous, we would not be able to track one vote for one person. Queen Okoro stated that we should focus on getting the votes of freshman and sophomores. Charlie Amlaner stated that we should not distinguish the students by class because all students have value, and even seniors will be in alumni status and returning to visit. What we are looking at is interest, in addition to a vote. Queen Okoro asked if we can ask the faculty to allow voting in class? Dr. Papp responded that this could cause a problem, but faculty can suggest that students vote. Does it imply that they want them to vote yes or no? Some are already talking about it. Jorge Perez said to tell students that if they feel strongly, then they need to vote either way. Can someone look at the

vote and then exit? Rifka Mayani stated, yes, but cannot go back in to the program once they voted.

President's Minute – Dr. Papp recapped the Strategic Thinking and Planning committee meeting, and stated that the November BOR meeting may be a debate between GA Tech and UGA over the traditional engineering program at UGA. Dr. Papp did not give his opinion on this. The next University Council meeting will be held on November 15, at 3:30 PM in KH 4427.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 PM.

Submitted 10/19/10,
Christina Coronado