

Randy Stuart, Chair KSU University Council called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM

Members in attendance: Dr. Dan Papp, President; Randy Stuart, Faculty Senate; Doug Moodie, Faculty Senate; Christina Coronado, Administrative Senate; Tisha McCalla, Staff Senate, Debbie Chimeno, Staff Senate; Ali Kamran, SGA; Steven Wilson, SGA, Keith Tudor, Chair's Council; Charles Amlaner, Dean's Council; Jorge Perez, President's Cabinet

Members excused: Rifka Mayani, Administrative Senate

Guests: Dr. Charles Patterson Vice President and Dean of Graduate College for GA Southern University

**Old Business:**

Minutes from January were approved

Updates:

**Food advisory committee** – Has submitted a proposal to form a committee. The Faculty Senate had additions and corrections to the committee proposal, and they are working with Jennifer Duggan, Asst. Director of Food Services. The proposal will then go to a second reading at the Faculty Senate.

**Fee Committee** – Is preparing a proposal to form a committee. Randy Stuart discussed it with Joan Duncan, and Joan will get back to Randy with a proposal.

**Parking committee** – A proposal to be a standing committee was approved by Faculty senate. Discussions started about the new shuttle. The SGA would like to see more students using it, and more advertising on where it goes. The SGA had heard that the time schedule is not reliable, but stated that it could be better now that it has been in use a few weeks. Steven will check if that is still the case. The proposal will go to Chairs' Council and Deans' Council, then the Provost.

**STP** - has met 5 times, the last time on 2/18. They heard three presentations, a continuation of learning methods in 21 century; Matt Howard, from UGA, on what GA will look like in future; and the third on organization learning. The meetings have been an overview on what's going on at KSU and globally that will affect the next five to twenty years at KSU. It provides a basis for STP as they plan for 2012- 2017. The next meeting is Friday, 2/25. This will be a brainstorming meeting with three different groups with a chair. They will discuss on where we want KSU in five to ten years, and how/if we can we get there. Each group will present then their ideas. Dr. Papp and Randy will meet to form subcommittees, to group ideas, and let members chose their top 3 choices for subcommittee membership, then the subcommittees will move forward with their analysis. They hope to put together a survey for campus and the community over the summer to get input on the ideas that are put forward.

**Outside Consulting document** - Is still being discussed. Don Amoroso, Flora Devine and Kurt Schulzke met on Feb. 1, and they are still waiting for updates, to decide whether to halt the process or continue. Tisha asked if it was acceptable for staff to participate on Market Day. Dr. Papp replied that the document had to do with faculty consulting for so many hours a week, with approval, and it not interfering with their duties. For staff, they are targeted with a 40 hour work week, and if consulting

occurs during that time they need to take vacation or comp time, rather than working in their staff capacity. There should be no double-dipping into the system.

**Provost search update** – Dr. Papp hopes to have an answer by close of business 2/22.

#### **New business**

**Final exam policy** – is being reinstated. Randy Stuart, Doug Moodie and Kevin Gwaltney met with the Registrar's and others to form the new policy. It has been approved by the Faculty Senate, and sent to Chairs' council, and Deans' council.

**Grade Appeal Process** - making the process more concise. It has been approved by Faculty Senate, sent to Deans' Council and Chairs' Council. If changes come back from these councils, it will go back to the Faculty Senate.

**Student Government and smoking policy** – SGA is researching the feasibility of a smoke free campus, and establishing a referendum to ban smoking on campus. They have looked at other campuses that have done it. The ban is considered for the main campus, excluding the student housing. If the results of the feasibility study are positive, then the proposal would go to senates, and if approved, to Dr. Papp. Randy asked - how would we enforce it? Ali replied that at other campuses, it is left to the students to enforce. Discussions continued regarding the trash left behind by smokers who do not use the proper trash receptacles.

**President's Minute** – There is no new information on the budget. We are working with legislators to put the expansion of the Bagwell College of Education back in budget, and \$6.4M for infrastructure back in budget. Dr. Papp is cautiously optimistic, although FY12 looks bad. There will be tuition increase, and we will know the amount in April or May, after the legislature provides allocation to USG.

**HOPE Scholarship** - Ali stated that SGA has passed a resolution regarding HOPE. There was a list of thirty points, and they voted on each as recommendations to the legislature. The points included: decreased assistance of remedial support, requirement to maintain GPA of 3.0 for each semester, requirement to place a minimum GPA on HOPE grants, increasing high school GPA to 3.25, instating new checkpoints during the year, and the recommendation that one third of lottery proceeds go to HOPE as intended. Currently, only 23% of lottery funds are going to education programs: HOPE grant, HOPE scholarships and pre-k. The lottery feared that cutting awards and ads will reduce participation. There is a bill out proposing that lottery staff cannot vote themselves large bonuses.

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