



FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

Faculty Senate Agenda

November 6, 2024, 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM CST

Albertson Hall 169

- I. Call to Order
- II. Attendance
- III. Approval of Agenda
 - Agenda moved (Carl), seconded (Jessica) and approved
- IV. Approval of Previous Minutes
 - Approval of previous minutes moved (Anita), seconded (Jessica), and approved
- V. Informational Reports (Clarifying questions only please!)
 - A. Guest Reports
 1. University, Jill Arensdorf, Provost
 - a) Academic Affairs Three Priorities Report and Podcast
 - a Report posted on provost website and distributed across campus.
 - i Includes highlights across University
 - b Program review process shared with Chairs, with process started.
 - i Getting a start early to prepare for KBOR report in the coming years.
 - b) KBOR Meeting
 - a New VP and Standing Academic Affairs Committee are making small changes to program review process and made six recommendations. Changes will go to full board later.
 - i Revise purpose of academic program review at KBOR level
 - ii Interdisciplinary programs that do not have set structure (i.e., discipline-specific programs) will not have program review requirements for major/graduates.

- iii Decrease the required number of students in Master-level program from 20 to 12.
- iv Programs that offer Master and Doctoral programs can be evaluated
- v Evaluate programs based on Carnegie classifications, rather than comparing R1s to regional comprehensives. No specific numbers were discussed.
- vi Students who start graduate school immediately following a Bachelor's degree will be counted in program review.

c) FHSU Strategic Plan

- a Invitation to Conversation about Strategic Plan on November 19th via Zoom.

2. Lisa Bell, Writing Center

- 1 Working towards establishing writing-intensive courses for graduation requirements. Has led to a few initiatives
 - a Writing center class workshops
 - b Writing Tigers student awards will be open early to allow faculty to submit. Awards are not being voted upon by the WAC Committee – it is only departmental. Only need which departments are interested in giving an award. WAC does not need the name of a student yet.
 - c WAC Community of Practice initiative: informal meeting with one topic of discussion for each meeting. Goal is to host informal discussion with colleagues to develop teaching writing to students. Last meeting is November 13th – topic: writing and critical thinking.
 - d Sample syllabi with sections concerning the use of AI in courses is available on the AI taskforce website.

3. Staff Senate, Bob Duffy, Staff Senate President

- 1 Staff solicited feedback concerning closing campus during holiday periods. However, there was some disagreement among staff concerning requiring staff to use vacation days (or other PTO) to account for campus being closed.

4. AAUP, Gene Rice, AAUP President

B. Faculty Senate Reports

1. Faculty Senate President

- a) KBOR – No October Meeting – meeting 11/20.
 - a First 15 – first fifteen hours (advanced H.S. and technical school courses) may count as concurrent credit for college credit. Goal is to ensure that every Kansas high school student has access to receiving college credit. KBOR is looking to identify those requirements.

- b Looking at English course placement measures. Discussion during November
 - c Strategic Plan townhall will have a Zoom link to facilitate participation across campus.
 - d Shared governance document will be edited to include OSGA.
 - e Bonus will be forthcoming in November
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 - b) President's Cabinet
 - a ERP Discussion groups concerning Workday review.
 - i Volunteers are listed on Senate Blackboard site.
 - ii No current plans on requiring people to formally report back to Senate, but will ask for report.
 - b Survey concerning ERP was sent out, but email came from external account.
 - c HLC will be here on November 18th for affiliation items.
 - d OSGA is soliciting input for more senators. Please sent nominees to Heather Flick
 - c) Other Meetings
 - a No candidate yet for HR Director. Will continue the search
 - b North Georgia University looking for guidance on how to get faculty buy-in to achieve Carnegie classification of Leadership for Public Service.
 - c ESL training availability for faculty to aid students.
 - d Noted concerns about Strategic Plan and Digital Master Plan in Executive Committee. Encouraged faculty to read documents and come to meetings with questions.
2. Executive Committee, Matthew Clay, FS VP
3. Standing Committees
- a) Academic Affairs, Anita Walters
 - (1) Consent Agenda
 - b) Partnerships and Technology, Christianna Pruden
 - (1) Digital Master Plan Notes
 - i Noted that Digital Master Plan seemed more tools-based, but that resources must be available across vendors.
 - ii Must ensure discipline-specific standards.
 - (2) TILT Support
 - c) Student Affairs, Philip Olt
 - (1) Meeting with Jill (Student Success Reorganization). Will continue discussion as we learn more about specific goals.
 - (2) SGA Attendance on Voting Days. Would like any feedback if someone has thoughts.

- (3) OSGA has representative on committee.
- (4) Has sent out survey, which will have any lessons sent to faculty senate.

d) University Affairs, Eric Deyo

- (1) Finances Discussion relating to number of Adjuncts compared to full-time faculty. Issue connects to Digital Master Plan and the issues where specific tools are inaccessible mid-semester.

- (2) Duplications

e) Strategic Planning and Improvement, Lisa Brening

- (1) Discussing small Bylaws updates concerning roles and responsibilities for standing committees. Considering voting-in standing committee chairs in prior AY to facilitate transition.
- (2) Shane noted that non-amended version of bylaws is still posted on website. Will send it out to interested faculty via Senate blackboard site, but will update website when possible.

VI. Consent Agenda – approved.

- A. SOC 312: Masculinities (New Course)
- SOC 466: Sociology of Sexual Behavior (Revision)
- AAS Concentration: Computer Networking (Move from AGS)
- MDI 434: Principles of Nuclear Medicine (New Course)

VII. Unfinished Business

VIII. New Business / Discussions

IX. IX. Adjournment