

MINUTES
Of the University of Central Oklahoma
FACULTY SENATE
Thursday, March 8, 2007
Education Building 106

CALL TO ORDER

When quorum was reached President Montes called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present (27): Senator Absher, Senator Barger-Johnson, Senator Bartgis, Senator Beasley, Senator Bost, Senator Cowan, Senator DeBolt, Senator J. Ferguson, Senator Furmanski, Senator Griffith, Senator Hartmann, Senator Holt, Senator Loughlin, Senator McCormick, Senator McGuffin, Senator Mock, Senator Montes, Senator Morgan-Pyron, Senator Roberts, Senator Smith, Senator von Minden, Senator Voth, Senator Wakefield, Senator Wallo, Senator Warning, Senator Webb, Senator Wooden

Members absent (7), Senator S. Ferguson, Senator Moyers, Senator Nelson, Senator Ravikumar, Senator Sanchez, Senator Singer, Senator Shukla.

Attendance record: (August 24, 2006 – February 8, 2007) Senator Absher (1), Senator Barger-Johnson (2), Senator Cowan (1), Senator Debolt (2), Senator J. Ferguson (1), Senator S. Ferguson (1), Senator Griffith (1), Senator Holt (1), Senator Loughlin (1), President Montes (1), Senator McGuffin (1), Senator Morgan-Pyron (3), Senator Moyers (4), Senator Nelson (2), Parliamentarian Ravikumar (1), Senator Roberts (2), Senator Sanchez (3), Senator Shukla (1), Senator Singer (2), Senator Smith (4), Senator Wakefield (1), Senator Wallo (1) and Senator Warning (1).

Recognition of visitors to the Senate: Assistant Vice President, Jerry Legere, Dr. Jere Roberson, Liberal Arts; Dr. Bruce Lochner, Asst Vice President of Student Affairs; Sonya Watkins, Institutional Technology.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the February 8, 2007 were approved.

GUEST SPEAKER: President Roger Webb

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President's Report:

President Montes's report can be seen electronically at <http://www.ucok.edu/facsen/committees.htm>.

Vice-President's Report: Reported that six bills have been submitted for consideration and all have been distributed to committees.

Reporter/Historian's Report: President Montes has hired two work study students to assist with archiving documents and to organize new Faculty Senate office.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Senator Beasley reported that the balance in the Senate account is \$8,762.97

Parliamentarian's Report: Senator Ravikumar reported on progress of nominations for senate seats: CEPS 1, Liberal Arts 1, CAMD and Business are having a good response. The second call for nominations will go out to colleges in March.

UNIVERSITY-WIDE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Affairs Council:

Senator Webb No Report

Academic Early Warning System: Senator Holt and Senator McCormick will report out on bill later in agenda.

Action Teams:

Academic Integrity:

Senator Bost reported that this committee meets on a weekly basis and is close to completing their report.

Learning-Centered Processes: Senator Cowan reported that data has been presented and committee is focusing on living communities and areas for students. This committee is the same as the Living and Learning Communities.

Alumni Association Board of Directors: No Report

Benefits Committee:

Senator Warning reported that they will be looking at a bill they just received.

Budget Task Force:

President Montes noted that the Provost indicated that this committee would reconvene soon.

Continuous Improvement Team:

President Montes reported that his committee is developing applications for Oklahoma Quality Award. April 12 is the final deadline for submission of report.

Distance Education Committee:

Reporter/Historian Hartmann: No Report

On-line Course Evaluation:

Senator Roberts and Senator Bartgis – No Report

Faculty Merit Credit Committee:

Reporter/Historian Hartmann reported that 21 applications were received. Committee members are beginning to review submissions. Scoring will be completed by March 30, then the committee will meet to tally scores.

FEC Advisory Board:

Senator S. Ferguson: No report. President Montes commented that he has attended several sessions and encourages others to attend.

Faculty Handbook Editorial Board: President Montes reported that this committee submitted a bill to the Faculty Senate Executive Board for consideration Evaluation of Deans and senior administrators.

Globalization Committee:

Senator von Minden: No Report

Graduate Council:

Senator Loughlin: No Report

Information Technology Advisory:

Faculty Advisory- Senator Roberts reported that this committee is also looking at the OneCard and he and Senator Bartgis will work together to attend these meetings.

OneCard Committee: Senator Bartgis – No Report.

Transportation and Parking Advisory Council:

Senator Shukla and Senator Voth: No report

Research Advisory Council:

Senator von Minden: No Report

Merit Task Force:

Senator Furmanski reported that this committee continues to meet weekly. The committee made a recommendation on an interim system for merit until a formal plan is established. It is suggested that funds be distributed evenly across board, after those up for promotion receives pay increment

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**Senate Executive Committee:**

President Montes reported electronically.

Academic Affairs:

Senator Webb: No Report

Ad Hoc Committee on New Pay Structure:

Senator Wooden: No Report

Adjunct Affairs:

Senator Wooden reported that the next meeting is Wednesday 3/12/07.

Alumni and Community Relations: No Report**Budget:**

Senator Furmanski: No Report

CPP&E:

Senator Ravikumar reported that this committee met on FSP 2006-07-10

Faculty Handbook:

Reporter/Historian Hartmann: No Report

Faculty Welfare and Development:

Senator Wallo reported that they are presently reviewing several bills.

Information Resources and Technology:

Senator Roberts: No Report

Personnel Policies:

Senator Warning reported this committee has written letter to the Deans of 5 Academic colleges to request five classes from each college to participate in the IDEA student evaluations.

Research:

Senator von Minden: No report

Student Relations:

Senator Cowan: No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

FSP 2006-07-03R: *Student Activity Research Fee.*

Bill was discussed and the author of the bill accepted a friendly amendment to strike undergraduate to imply all student research. This bill remained open and in unfinished business until next meeting.

FSR 2006/2007-06R *Faculty Senate Resolution in Support of the Development and Implementation of an Academic Early Referral System.*

Senator Cowan presented this bill explaining change in name would help clarify that this is voluntary not mandatory reporting of students.

FSR 2006-2007-07R *Defining the Roles and Responsibilities of Faculty Members in the Faculty Handbook.*

This bill will be voted on at the next meeting in April

FSR 2006-2007-08 *Faculty Senate Request for Declaration of the Extent of Support and Cooperation Extended to International Faculty Hires for Authorization to Work and Residency.*

This bill will be up for a vote on the senate floor on April 12, 2007

NEW BUSINESS:

Vice President Mock introduced the following bills:

FSR-2006-2007-XX *Restricting Access to Faculty/Staff Parking Permits*

FSR-2006-2007- XX *University Committee Assignments of the Faculty Senate*

FSR 2006-2007-XX *Faculty Senate Requests the Establishment of an Athletics Advisory Council*

FSR 2006-2007-XX *Requesting that Evaluation of the Deans and Senior Administrator be Administered by the UCO Faculty Senate*

FSR 2006-2007-XX *Time-Rank Adjustments*

ADJOURNMENT PRESIDENT: Senator Montes adjourned the meeting at 4:19 p.m.
Secretary/Treasurer Beasley, 4/9/07