Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC) Minutes
March 21, 2012

Members Present: Dr. Rick Roth, Dr. Rhett Herman, Dr. Pamela Jackson, Dr. Joe Chase, Dr. Kay K. Jordan

Members Absent: Dr. Jerry Kopf

Guests: Dr. Sam Minner

I. Call to Order
   a. Dr. Roth called the meeting to order at 8:02am.

II. Approval of Minutes
   a. The minutes from the FSEC meeting on March 14, 2012 were approved.

III. Reports and Announcements
   a. The Faculty Senate of Virginia is having their meeting this coming weekend. Dr. Jackson was going to try to attend.
   b. The FSEC discussed the Faculty Senate Q&A page. Dr. Minner stated that he is working to open things up at RU so that people can always contact him directly with any issues. He would like to see things open enough that the Q&A page may eventually no longer be needed, and people will feel free to ask any question openly. He will continue to respond to questions submitted to this page, but via his open forums that he is holding. The first one is Monday, March 26 at 1pm in Heth Hall.
   c. The visit by BOV Rector Steve Musselwhite was discussed. The FSEC members were asked to prepare a list of items that the BOV might be able to address at their future meetings. Dr. Roth said that the BOV is working to make the yearly goals of the RU President public.
   d. The FSEC were encouraged to gather items that fit the following paraphrase: “This is some great stuff that we’re doing now. However this is more great stuff that we could do if our funding was increased.” The FSEC and Dr. Minner discussed how RU could not simply expect to make an argument for more funding simply based on the fact that RU has the second-lowest cost of attendance in the state. Rather, specific reasons for increased funding would have to be put forth to help the RU administration in their ongoing efforts to increase funding for RU from the state.
   e. The FSEC discussed the agenda for the March 22, 2012 Faculty Senate meeting.

IV. Old Business
   a. None.

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   a. None.

VI. Adjournment
   a. The meeting adjourned at 8:55am.