

Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC) Minutes
March 28, 2012

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

Members Absent: None.

Guests: Dr. Sam Minner.

I. Call to Order

- a. Dr. Roth called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

II. Approval of Minutes

- a. The minutes from the FSEC meeting on March 21, 2012 were approved.

III. Reports and Announcements

- a. The FSEC discussed the possible allocation of any potential salary increases. Letters had been sent out from the Provost's office earlier in the week to all faculty with any raises listed. The goal of these raises was to at least get the RU faculty salaries up to the 10th percentile. Dr. Minner said that he would have liked to have the funds to do more, but that the funds disbursed were all that were available.
- b. The FSEC discussed the apportionment of senators for the 2012-2013 Senate. The Waldron College of Health and Human Services had the largest increase in faculty, from 50 to 58. The FSEC discussed the motion passes by the 2010-2011 Senate that allowed the maximum number of Senators to increase to 55. It was pointed out that the Senate by-laws reserved seats for Adjunct Faculty and one ex officio seat for ROTC Faculty.
- c. The location of the April 19 Senate meeting is still to be determined.
- d. The Climate Action Plan was discussed.
- e. The FSEC and Dr. Minner discussed the Core Curriculum. Dr. Minner agreed that any changes to the Core would be initiated by the faculty, and that the timing of any changes was up to the faculty.
- f. Dr. Roth reported that he has invited President Kyle to a meeting of both the FSEC as well as the full Senate. He does not know when those meeting will occur yet.
- g. The FSEC discussed the position of Core Curriculum Director in light of the recent notification of Dr. Steve Owen that he will resign the position effective July 1, 2012. The FSEC and Dr. Minner agreed that any changes to the Core Curriculum could readily start with a definition of a list of learning outcomes, followed by a list of classes that would achieve those outcomes, and finally assessment of these changes after they are implemented.

IV. Old Business

- a. The FSEC voted to increase the number of senators in the Waldron College of Health and Human Services by one, with all the other colleges continuing with their current number of senators.

V. New Business

- a. None.

VI. Adjournment

- a. The meeting adjourned at 9:00am.