

Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC) Minutes
April 4, 2012
Davis Hall 027

Members Present: Dr. Rick Roth, Dr. Rhett Herman, Dr. Pamela Jackson, Dr. Joe Chase, Dr. Jerry Kopf
Members Absent: Dr. Kay K. Jordan.
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 28, 2012 were approved.

III. Reports and Announcements

- a. The FSEC discussed the recent visit to RU by SACS. SACS found only “minimal issues” in general. But one of the larger issues was assessment. RU needs to find a way to get a small number of representative outcomes and assess those pointedly.
- b. The FSEC discussed the inconsistent criteria and instructions that have come from RU about our assessments. We agreed that the Office of Assessment is understaffed. One major fear of faculty is that these outcomes may eventually evolve into “SOLs for college.” RU has too many outcomes in the Core Curriculum, but the Core Coordinators are now working to reduce the number of Core objectives. Some national measures for certain majors would be desirous.
- c. Dr. Jackson discussed forthcoming motions from the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee. 99 sections of CORE 201 and 202 this fall are to be taught by adjuncts, comprising 85% of all of these classes. The CC motion is for 20 special purpose faculty to be hired, with 15 being housed in departments and 5 being under the direct supervision of the Core Director. Each of the 15 in the departments would be hired with their duties to explicitly teach 2 sections of CORE 201/202.
- d. The other FS CC motion is to form a university-wide task force to study online course delivery.
- e. The agenda for the April 5 Senate meeting was discussed.

IV. Old Business

- a. None.

V. New Business

- a. None.

VI. Adjournment

- a. The meeting adjourned at 9:20am.