

College of Education
Faculty Assembly Minutes
February 22, 2005

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by Dr. Judy Hughey.
- II. A motion was made (Dr. Stewart), seconded (Dr. Harbstreit), and passed to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2005, meeting as presented.
- III. Standing Committee Reports
 - A. Academic Affairs—Reported by Dr. Steve Harbstreit
Dr. Harbstreit thanked Dr. Hancock for her work on the course changes presented. He noted that EDSEC 811 and EDSEC 914 were to be included in the list of courses to be dropped. A motion was made (Dr. Harbstreit), seconded (Dr. Scharmann), and passed to approve the course changes for curriculum and instruction.
Dr. Harbstreit discussed the curriculum change and course change forms that were recently revised.
 - B. Faculty Affairs—Reported by Dr. Frank Spikes
Dr. Sylvia Robinson, 2005 COE Alumni Fellow, will be on campus Sunday (February 27) through Tuesday (March 1). A full agenda is planned for her during her visit. A reception is planned for Tuesday, March 1, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Dr. Spikes thanked those involved in scheduling Dr. Robinson. A meeting with Faculty Senate leadership is planned as part of her visit.
 - C. Student Affairs—Reported by Dr. Judy Hughey
An award for graduate students classified as GTA's will be offered for the first time this semester. This award was recommended by the COE Awards Task Force. Nomination forms for this award and other COE awards are currently available.
 - D. Diversity for Community—Reported by Mr. Jason Rowan
Mr. Rowan reported that the committee is currently gathering retention data on students from diverse backgrounds. Also, the committee is considering ways to enhance awareness of diverse families our students will be teaching.
- IV. Other Reports
 - A. Faculty Senate—Reported by Dr. Jackie Spears
Faculty Senate is receiving regular budget updates.
There is continuing work on the tuition assistance program; however, it has not been officially approved by the Board of Regents. As a result, it is not clear this will be in place.
The Faculty Affairs Committee of Faculty Senate is discussing two issues related to salary. One is a salary increase from 5% to 8% for promotion from

assistant to associate professor and from 7.5% to 11% for promotion from associate to full professor. Another issue is creating a rank senior professor above full professor.

B. Graduate Council—reported by Dr. Paul Burden

The Graduate School is in the final stages of testing electronic dissertations and theses. The technical issues are being addressed during this final semester of testing.

There are increased travel funds for graduate students and 3 due dates during the year.

There is a concern about the health insurance costs for some graduate students. This is, in some cases, a recruiting concern.

C. GSE—reported by Ms. Cecilia Hernandez

Two brown bag lunches are planned for graduate students. Dr. Burden will be presenting on developing a dissertation proposal on March 14 and Dr. O'Dell will be presenting on publishing on March 21. Another brown bag is planned for April and the focus will be funding sources.

D. Library—reported by Ms. Marcia Stockham

The library is nearing the end of its purchasing cycle. As a result, any purchase requests are to be submitted as soon as possible.

E. Education Council—reported by Mr. Justin Raybern

Education Council is currently involved in three activities: elections; on-campus interviews; and Open House.

V. Old Business—There was none.

VI. New Business

Dr. Tweed Ross reported on two issues related to technology. This Wednesday and Thursday, 11:05 am to 12:30 pm, there will be meetings with K-State Online staff regarding the system. The meetings will involve a demonstration of the system and provide an opportunity for questions. Dr. Ross is seeking feedback to assist with decision making. Lunch will be provided.

The rooms on second (217 & 225) and third (343 & 344) floors should be online by next Monday. Two sessions are being offered on technology use in these rooms.

VII. Dean's Report—Dean Mike Holen

Dean Holen commended Dr. Ross for his work on technology in the college. He commended the students for their work on Telefund. Also, thanked those who worked with Telefund. Pledges totaled more than \$111,000, a record for the college.

Dean Holen will be meeting with presidents of COE student organizations. Progress is being made on fundraising for facilities for Leadership Studies. Coach

Snyder will be actively involved in this effort. Revenues will be shared from the spring football game. An announcement will be developed for the KSU jumbotron. Discussions have been conducted with development personnel in the Athletic Department.

A lunch is planned with the new superintendent for USD 383.

Dr. Be Stoney, Dr. Jane Fishback, and Dr. Sherry Benton were promoted to associate professor and received tenure.

Dean Holen noted issues related to the rank of senior professor. He recommended considering the ramifications of the proposal.

Dr. David Griffin was recently appointed as Assistant Dean and will be focusing on diversity.

Mr. Steve Robinson noted that the College of Education was the only college to exceed pledges for last year. He commended students for their work.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ken Hughey