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FACULTY SENATE AGENDA MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2001

2:45 PM / Culp Center - East Tennessee Room

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LOCATION: CULP CENTER - EAST TENNESSEE ROOM

AGENDA FOR SENATE MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: President Steadman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 8, 2001

OLD BUSINESS:

Endorsement of Faculty Technology Development Plan - Rich Ranker

NEW BUSINESS:

Transfer Coordination - Terry Tollefson (Academic Matters Committee)

Retirement Plan Issues - Bill Fisher, Steven Patrick (Legislative Affairs Committee)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Adjourn to committees

PLEASE NOTE: Next meeting, Monday, February 5, 2001, Culp Forum.

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MINUTES - January 22, 2001

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UPCOMING MEETING: February 5, 2001 2:45 PM Culp Forum Room

FOLLOWING MEETING: February 19, 2001 2:45 PM Culp Forum Room

Present: Alavi, Butler, Chi, Collins, Deadman, Fisher, Grover, Harvey, Hayes, Heath, Hemphill, Kerley, King, Logan, Mattioli, McKinney, Miller H., Miller P., Patrick, Poole, Sluss, Stanley, Steadman, Stone, Tollefson, Varney, Verhegge, Williams.

Excused: Anderson, Broome, Li, Martin, Montgomery, Reesman.

Absent: Aston, Burgess, Burkett, Gallemore, Kelley, Mehta, Mohon, Price.

Guests: Dr. Mike Clay, Dr. Linda Doran, Dr. Norma MacRae, Dr. Rich Ranker.

CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present, President Steadman called the meeting to order at 2:46 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the January 8, 2001 meeting were approved with the following corrections: 1) Verhegge noted that the proposal to be submitted by Development and Evaluation regarding new policies and procedures does not relate to promotion and tenure. 2) Tollefson reported that Academic Matters has not yet forwarded the issue regarding the recommendation of a transfer coordinator for each program to Academic Council. (Note: this matter discussed at today's meeting - see New Business.)

OLD BUSINESS:

Endorsement of Faculty Technology Development Plan. Dr. Rich Ranker presented the Faculty Technology Professional Development Plan (the "Plan") to the Senate for endorsement. The Plan was initially addressed at the January 8, 2001 meeting of the Senate. Dr. Mike Clay summarized comments compiled from a survey distributed to chairs indicating that chairs generally were on board regarding the Plan but had questions about implementation in terms of the FAP/FAR/FAE process. A lively discussion ensued. Senators were primarily concerned with language in the Plan imposing, through the evaluation process, technology-based methods upon faculty who may not want, or need, to use them.

Three amendments to the Plan were addressed: (1) Insertion of the language proposed by Stanley: "We ask that the program be implemented in ways that take account of differing levels of need and funding across the campus and within colleges and departments; training, hands-on experience and adoption of new methods should go hand-in-hand with the support, financial and otherwise, necessary to make change both

meaningful and useful." (2) Hemphill proposed insertion of the word "appropriate" into language found in Paragraph 2 of page 5 ("Support the appropriate integration of technology in the teaching and learning process: ..."), Paragraph 3 of page 6 ("Build a faculty learning community that uses technology by requiring appropriate core competencies to be to be mastered by all faculty ...") and Paragraph 3.B.1 of page 6 ("Colleges and departments should include appropriate technology competencies and goals in FAP/FAR/FAE process.") (emphasis added) (3) Proposal by Stone to eliminate all references to FAP-FAR-FAE.

Senators were concerned with directives aimed at the implementation of technology for all faculty. While Senators acknowledged the need for competency in technology, they were generally concerned with technology being forced upon faculty through the evaluation process. Amendments (1) and (2) were approved and Amendment (3) was defeated. The Senate then approved endorsement of the Plan with the two amendments. (For more information, please contact Dr. Rich Ranker at x9-8613)

NEW BUSINESS:

- Transfer Coordination. Tollefson introduced a proposal by Academic Matters to recommend to Academic Council that a transfer coordinator be designated for each academic program. Dr. Doran stated that it would be more feasible to have one office on campus charged with this responsibility and that each program should have a person to work with the transfer coordinator in administration. A motion to table the proposal for modification was unanimously approved. (For more information, please contact Dr. Terry Tollefson at x9-7617)
- Retirement Plan Issues. Fisher introduced a proposal by Legislative Affairs to endorse the Faculty Senate Resolution For Lump Sum Withdrawal At The Time of Retirement. A friendly amendment was made and accepted to change the wording in Paragraph 1 from "... to allow a 50% lump sum cash withdrawal ... " to "... up to a 50% lump sum cash withdrawal ... " and to change the language in Paragraph 2 from "... for a 50% level of cash withdrawal" The resolution, with the friendly amendment, was unanimously passed. (For more information, please contact Dr. Bill Fisher.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Steadman announced the following SACS campus meetings:
 - All members of Faculty Senate: January 30, 2001 2:30-3:30 p.m. Culp Auditorium
 - Executive Committee: January 30, 2001 1:15-2:15 p.m. Meeting Room #6
- Steadman announced that the Tennessee Board of Regents Online Degree program is moving forward on schedule.
- Steadman announced that he has received a complete copy of the Geier decision and it is available for review.
- Steadman announced that the proposal regarding transferability of grade point averages, initiated by the Senate, passed through the TBR Faculty Sub-Council.

ADJOURNMENT:
President Steadman adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m. Meetings of standing committees followed.
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