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**FACULTY SENATE AGENDA  
MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2001  
2:45 PM / Culp Center - Forum Room**

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**AGENDA FOR SENATE MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Steadman

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** February 19, 2001

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Committee Reports**

Academic Matters (Tollefson)  
Committee on Committees (Martin)  
Concerns and Grievances (Hemphill)  
Development and Evaluation (King/Verhegge)  
Elections and Bylaws  
Research, Creative and Scholarly Activities (Kelley)  
Legislative Affairs (Patrick)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Articulation Agreements - Dr. Linda Doran

Performance Funding 2000-05 - Dr. Cynthia Burnley

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Next meeting, Monday, March 19, 2001, Culp Forum.

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# **MINUTES - March 5, 2001**

**Faculty Senate / East Tennessee State University**

**Last updated: March 15, 2001**

<b>UPCOMING MEETING:</b>	<b>FOLLOWING MEETING:</b>
<b>April 2, 2001 2:45 PM</b>	<b>April 16, 2001 2:45 PM</b>
<b>Culp Forum Room</b>	<b>Culp Forum Room</b>

***Present:*** Anderson, Aston, Burgess, Collins, Deadman, Fisher, Grover, Harvey, Hayes, Heath, Hemphill, Kelley, Kerley, King, Logan, McKinney, Miller H., Miller P., Patrick, Price, Stanley, Steadman, Stone, Tollefson, Varney, Verhegge, Williams.

***Excused:*** Broome, Butler, Martin, Mattioli, Montgomery, Reesman.

***Absent:*** Alavi, Burkett, Chi, Gallemore, Li, Mehta, Mohon, Poole, Sluss.

***Guests:*** Dr. Cynthia Burnley, Dr. Linda Doran, Dr. Gene Tinnon.

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

With a quorum present, President Steadman called the Senate to order at 2:49 p.m.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the February 19, 2001 meeting were unanimously approved.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Standing Committee Reports.**

1) **Academic Matters** - Tollefson reported that the committee met and continued discussions regarding the possibilities of revising the student code of conduct.

2) **Committee on Committees** - Steadman reported that the list of openings on University standing committees has been received from Dr. Bach's office.

3) **Concerns and Grievances** - Stanley reported that several confidential matters are being reviewed at this time.

4) **Development and Evaluation** - King reported that the committee continues its work in the area of policies and procedures for awarding merit pay.

5) **Elections and Bylaws** - No report at this time.

6) **Research, Creative and Scholarly Activity** - No report at this time.

7) **Legislative Affairs** - Patrick and Fisher reported that they attended the meeting of the Faculty and Staff Benefits Committee of the UT Knoxville Faculty Senate. Senate Bills 322 and 1472 were discussed. SB 322 deals with pensions and retirement benefits

and allows employees in ORP to withdraw up to 50 percent of accumulated account balances upon retirement or termination of employment. SB 1472 authorizes UT employees to elect a lump sum distribution of 50 percent of accrued retirement benefits upon retirement. Patrick will e-mail senators a list of proposed legislative bills addressing issues in higher education, retirement pensions, state employees and other related topics. Fisher reported that a discussion list for medical school faculty has been established. The list can be accessed at [aaup-medschool@aaup.org](mailto:aaup-medschool@aaup.org).

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Articulation Agreements.** Dr. Linda Doran and Dr. Gene Tinnon addressed the status of articulation agreements with other institutions. Dr. Doran emphasized the increasing importance of transfer students to ETSU. She noted that the University undergraduate transfer enrollment for Fall 2001 was 3,001 students. Dr. Tinnon addressed articulation agreements set up with various community colleges. He noted that we match our strengths with the other institutions' strengths in setting up the agreements. Dr. Doran concluded by addressing the non-traditional (inverted) bachelor degree programs in which students from other programs who have completed the technical requirements of a discipline transfer to ETSU for the purpose of obtaining the baccalaureate degree by completing general education core requirements. (For more information, please contact Dr. Linda Doran at x9-4213).
- **Performance Funding.** Dr. Cynthia Burnley presented the ETSU Performance Funding Plan for 2000-2005. Dr. Burnley provided a summary of planned assessment activities and addressed the program review and major field test calendars for the review period. She also discussed the Enrolled Student Survey and its importance in assessing student perceptions of ETSU. Dr. Burnley addressed plans regarding articulation and transfer. She noted that ETSU is ahead of other state institutions in this category and is trying to develop a seamless transfer process. In conclusion, she addressed various performance funding goals to be undertaken by the University. (For more information, please contact Dr. Cynthia Burnley at x9-7484).

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Fisher addressed the December 31, 2000 performance update of Aetna investment options under the ORP retirement program.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, President Steadman adjourned the meeting at 3:51 pm.

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