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**FACULTY SENATE AGENDA  
MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2001  
2:45 PM / Culp Center - East Tennessee Room**

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**AGENDA FOR SENATE MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Steadman

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** March 5, 2001

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Child Study Center - Dr. Rebecca Isbell

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourn to committees

**PLEASE NOTE:** Next meeting, Monday, April 2, 2001, Culp Forum.

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# MINUTES - March 19, 2001

Faculty Senate / East Tennessee State University

Last updated: March 30, 2001

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

**Present:** Alavi, Aston, Broome, Burgess, Butler, Collins, Deadman, Fisher, Grover, Harvey, Hayes, Hemphill, Kelley, Kerley, King, Logan, Mattioli, Mehta, Miller H., Miller P., Patrick, Price, Reesman, Sluss, Stanley, Steadman, Stone, Tollefson, Verhegge.

**Excused:** Chi, Heath, Li, Martin, McKinney, Varney.

**Absent:** Anderson, Gallemore, Mohon, Montgomery, Poole, Williams.

**Guests:** Beverly Dugger, Dr. Rebecca Isbell, Dr. Rich Ranker, Connie Rogers.

## CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present, President Steadman opened the meeting at 2:48 p.m.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the March 5, 2001 meeting were approved by voice vote.

## OLD BUSINESS:

No old business was brought to the floor.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- **Child Study Center.** Dr. Rebecca Isbell, Beverly Dugger and Connie Rogers presented information on the history, current status, and future plans for the child study center at ETSU. She noted its initiation in 1983 with the establishment of the Center of Excellence in Early Childhood education, and traced its development since then. In 1988 the Center was identified as an Accomplished Center for the study of national issues that relate to young children.

Dr. Isbell surveyed local and national data relating to the need for quality child care and provided some statistics on our current ability to provide that care. Currently we have the Child Study Center which provides full-time care for 75 children, and the Little Bucs program that provides part-time care for 46 children. A summary of identified needs (as determined from a number of surveys of ETSU constituent groups) revealed that space is needed for 174 children of undergraduate students, 169 children of faculty and staff, 140 children of College of Medicine faculty, staff, students, and residents. The total need as of now is care for 483 children.

**Dr. Isbell complimented President Stanton for his support of enlarging these programs to the extent possible. An off-campus building at the corner of Greenwood Drive and Signal Road (the old Mingle's Restaurant) is being refurbished to house the Child Study Center at approximately double its current capacity. The space in Warf-Pickel Hall currently used by the Center will be turned over to the Little Bucs program, enabling it to double in size as well. Thus, children dropped off for the full day will be off campus, while youngsters who require part-time supervision will be in the more convenient on-campus location.**

**Dr. Isbell stressed the many benefits to the University community that grow from this enterprise: high quality care for our children, ability of students, staff, and faculty to work without concern for the welfare of their children, learning opportunities for education majors, research opportunities for faculty, and the opportunity to become a national leader in child study and care issues. (For more information, or for an application form for child care services, contact Beverly Dugger at x9-4198 or visit the Center's web site at [child.etsu.edu/projects.htm](http://child.etsu.edu/projects.htm).)**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Dr. Rich Ranker announced completion of upgrades in six multimedia lecture halls and six multimedia classrooms during the spring break. He also noted work completed in two Warf-Pickel labs during that time. He presented the lineup of classes to be held in the Academic Technology Lab during the rest of this semester. (This schedule has been mailed to all faculty.)**
- **Bill Fisher presented information on the performance of the TCRS retirement plan.**
- **Steadman asked senators to remind their respective deans that elections to fill vacant Senate seats should be held this spring so new senators can be in place by next fall's initial meeting.**
- **Steadman noted that the by-laws proposals passed at the last Senate meeting have been approved by Academic Council and are therefore officially a part of the Faculty Handbook.**
- **Steadman reminded senators that only three Senate meetings remain and each may be somewhat longer than usual so all agenda items can be heard.**
- **As an information item, Steadman related a plan to make all newly appointed department chairs 12 month employees, with current chairs being offered that option. Questions about additional costs of this program were raised during discussion**
- **Steadman asked senators for opinions regarding a proposal to use Academic Technology funds to continue lease payments on laptop computers currently being used by faculty enrolled in OIT's advanced training course. OIT will need its funds to begin a new class next fall, and faculty currently in possession of machines cannot continue their use unless some way of paying for them is found. A lively discussion ensued, with some questioning the wisdom of using student money (the Academic Technology Fee) to support faculty activities, and others making the point that said faculty activities are in the students' interests. Steadman promised to take senators' feelings to the committee.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**There being no further business, President Steadman adjourned the meeting at 3:40 pm.**

*Respectfully submitted,*

*David G. Logan*

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