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**MINUTES – November 3, 2003**  
Faculty Senate – East Tennessee State University

<b>UPCOMING MEETING:</b> November 17, 2003 2:45 pm Meeting Room 2	<b>FOLLOWING MEETING:</b> December 1, 2003 2:45 pm Culp Forum Room
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*Present:* Bitter, Breese, Burgess, Butler, Champouillon, Chi, Collins, Daniels, Fisher, Grover, Hayes, Hemphill, Jungkeit, Kelley, Kerley, King, Mackara, Miller, Morrow, Mozen, , Nave, Patrick, Prather, Shafer, Stanley, Tollefson, Verhegge, Wallace, Williams, Whitten, Zoggyie

*Excused:* Davenport, Li, Thewke

*Absent:* Baryla, Bharti, Bennard, Coates, Littleton, Rusinol, Schaller-Ayers, Shuttle, Stone

*Guests:* Dr. David Collins, Paul Oliphant, Jay Trent

**CALL TO ORDER:**

With a quorum present, President Tollefson called the meeting to order at 2:50 pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the October 20, 2003 meeting were unanimously approved,

**NEW BUSINESS**

Bookstore Contract: Nebraska Books: Dr. David Collins, Mr. Paul Oliphant (bookstore manager) and Mr. Jay Trent (District Manager for Nebraska Books) were present to discuss the new five (5)-year contract with Nebraska books for management of the ETSU bookstore. This contract is the first contract for Nebraska Book Co. with a TRB institution; they have contracts at 17 colleges nationwide. The specifications for the bid were established by a committee which included a faculty representative. This contract includes a specified mark-up (25%), a minimum commission of \$500,000, \$20,000 annual contribution to a scholarship fund and an annual contribution of \$2,000 to a President's fund. Many questions were answered by the bookstore representatives and senators voiced concern related to a variety of issues including cost of books to students and availability of books to students.

Veterans' Memorial Dedication: Mr. Larry Coleman, Veterans' Affairs Committee, invited members of the faculty and staff to the dedication of the ETSU Veterans' Memorial, phase 1, on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am in front of Brooks Gym.

## OLD BUSINESS:

**Bylaws Committee Report:** Senator Hemphill referred Senators to the Faculty Senate web page [www.etsu.edu/senate](http://www.etsu.edu/senate) to review the bylaws changes that are being proposed. He indicated that the changes were mostly administrative reorganization that did not require a change to the constitution; changes are indicated in red. Senators were requested to review the proposed changes prior to the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting and be prepared to take action on approval.

**Report on TBR Faculty Sub-Council Meeting (October 17, 2003):** Stephen Patrick summarized the actions taken at the meeting of the TBR Faculty Sub-Council including no action nor progress on the TN Senate Resolution to merge the UT and TBR Boards, athletic funding caps, summer pay rates, and use of faculty and staff SSN's. The next meeting of the sub-council will be January 23, 2004.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Senator Mozen reported on the Fall Conference of the AAUP, noting that considerable attention was given to tenure issue and the replacement of tenured faculty with adjuncts to save money.

Senator Fisher noted that faculty should have received a 13 page benefits report and summarized what it included. In addition, he provided a schedule of TIAA-CREF visits, a summary of Teacher Retirement Income Age and Insurance Eligibility and Subcouncil meeting dates.

## ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned to committees at 3:55 pm.

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