Rose State College
Faculty Senate Minutes

October 11, 2012

Senators Present:
Business & Information Technology - Craig Dawkins
Satish Singhal

Engineering Science - Chuang Shao
Amy G. Hurst

Health Sciences - Shelley Mitchell
Kim Robberson

Humanities - Sandy Keneda
Reginald Snoddy
Sherri Mussatto

Social Sciences - Kathy Carey
James Hochtritt
Debbie Lynch
Monique Bruner

Adjunct Faculty Representative- Stacie Mayes

Call to Order: Meeting of October 11, 2012, was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made and seconded to approve the September 13, 2012 minutes.

Treasurer’s Report: Jim Hochtritt reported that the current balance is $6,197.50.

Committee Reports:

1. Report from the Textbook Committee: Monique Bruner reported on the Bookstore Committee.

   - The bookstore has a 10-year contract that is renewed annually; however the current contract has not yet been signed.
   - A bookstore satisfaction survey will be sent to faculty e-mails. The bookstore is on a ninety day notice.
   - Approximately $15,000 was delivered from the bookstore to the student scholarship fund for missing books.

2. Report from the Assessment Committee:

   - Craig Dawkins presented a report on the recent meeting of the Assessment Committee.
The committee will be meeting again today.
There will be one assessment instrument for Effective Written Communication developed and distributed across campus in the Spring 2012 semester.

New Business:

1. Kirby Hartzman, Coordinator of Student Activities, requested that the Faculty Senate take a survey about online learning. She is conducting this survey for the capstone course of her master’s program. The senate completed the survey at the meeting.

2. Discussion on Classroom Technology
   - Kathy Carey reported that the Social Science division has not yet gotten a bid on what they want to do with their portion of faculty development funds.
   - There is still a question about the possibility of using Faculty Association funds to purchase technology.
   - Hands-on training is still needed for the technology that we currently have. Debbie Lynch suggested that we might ask for this kind of training at the January convocation.
   - Jim Hochtritt suggested that we might possibly expand the definition of faculty development and determine what qualifies as faculty development.
   - Debbie Lynch suggested that each division might match the funds donated by the Faculty Association.

3. Discussion of the D2L Draft Resolution
   - Craig Dawkins drafted a resolution that the faculty be made aware any future changes to D2L so that we can make our opinions known before it is too late.
   - A motion was made and seconded to approve the resolution, and it carried without opposition.

4. Discussion related to a D2L faculty survey
   - Craig Dawkins developed a short survey to assess faculty opinions on D2L e-mail.
   - A motion was made and seconded that faculty be sent this survey via Webmail. The motion was approved.

5. Discussion of the State Regents Office Faculty Survey
   - The State Regents Office requested that a survey be completed before their Annual Faculty Assembly on Saturday, November 3rd.
   - A motion was made for the faculty to take the survey as soon as possible so that Craig Dawkins can take the results to the assembly. The motion was seconded and approved without objection.
6. Discussion of Guns on Campus

- This item was brought to the Faculty Senate by Carolyn Cuskey.
- November 1st marks the beginning of the open carry law in Oklahoma.
- A motion was made that Rose State College reiterate our policy which bans guns on campus. The motion was seconded and approved without objection.

7. Discussion of the Tenure Process

- This item was submitted by Michelle Brockmeier.
- There is a question about specifically what it takes to become tenured.
- There is a process, but it seems to be more subjective than objective.
- Craig Dawkins talked with Dr. Hendrix about this issue, and she stressed that it is a faculty driven process within each division. Therefore, she is hesitant to tell faculty what they need to do in terms of granting someone tenure.
- It was pointed out that tenure differs by division.
- Craig Dawkins said that it is up to the Faculty Senate if we want to reform the tenure process.
- Jim Hochtritt suggested that specific criteria be developed that includes precise wording.
- Craig Dawkins proposed that we all look over the tenure section of the Policies and Procedures Manual and determine what specific language and details need to be added.

Call to Adjourn:

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 3:25 p.m. Motion carried.

Sherri Mussatto, Faculty Senate Secretary