# FACULTY SENATE MINUTES SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

March 8, 2018 3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. Smith-Hutson Building

#### Members Present (20).

Donald Albert (COSET), Burcu Ates (COE), Maria Botero (CHSS), Jonathan Breazeale (COBA), Donald Bumpass (COBA), William Carroll (CHSS), Brandy Doleshal (COSET), Diane Dowdey (CHSS), Andrea Foster (COE), Michael Hanson (NGL), Renee James (COSET), William Jasper (COSET), Santosh Kumar (COBA), Kenneth McIntyre (CHSS), Melinda Miller (COE), Vlad Radoias (COBA), Stephen Rapp (CHSS), D.T. Ratnapradia (COHS), Anthony Watkins (FAMC), Ryan Zapalac (COHS)

#### Members Not Present (10).

James Crosby (CHSS), Randall Garner (CJ), Bobby LaRue (CJ), Helen Berg (COE), Nancy Stockall (COE), Madhusudan Choudhary (COSET), Donovan Haines (COSET), Eric Marsh (FAMC), Karen Miller (FAMC), Kevin Clifton (FAMC)

#### Called to Order.

3:30 PM, Smith-Hutson Building room 300 by Chair Jonathan Breazeale.

## **Approval of Minutes.**

The February 22 minutes were unanimously approved.

#### Chair's Report.

In regard to the Faculty Perception Survey, the provost is open to discussing the release of survey comments with the senate.

Mandatory Online Instructor Training: The provost would like to implement mandatory training/certification for faculty that teach online. The provost mentioned a stipend for participants.

#### Policy Review.

The following policies were delivered to the senate following a CAD vote to rescind each.

- 030502 Acceptance of Foreign Language Courses
- 081118 Criteria for the Formation of a School
- 980114 Distribution of Copyright and Patent Royalties
- 030723 Grades in Remedial Courses
- 931105 The Honors Program
- 100728 Use of Telephones and Text Messages in Classrooms (Additional guidance requested)
- 090130 Intellectual Property Policy
- 860811 Outside Employment for Faculty

A motion was made to rescind the aforementioned policies with the exception of 100728 - Use of Telephones and Text Messages in Classrooms. The motion was seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Previously tabled, discussion resumed on policy 871214 - English Language Proficiency for Instructional Personnel. The policy was assigned to the senate university affairs committee for consideration and/or revision.

## **Committee Reports and Recommendations**

Senate Chair

830401 - Insurance Fringe Benefits and Sick Leave Accrual (*Unanimously Approved*)

#### Committee on Committees

900823 - Academic Grievance Procedures for Students

A report and recommendations were delivered by the Committee on Committees. Policy recommendations were *Unanimously Approved*.

# **University Affairs**

910312 - Academic Probation and Suspension

Recommendations were made by UA and the senate during discussion. The policy was referred back to UA.

## **Adjournment:**

5:03 PM