

Texas A&M University-Kingsville
Faculty Senate Minutes
October 2, 2012

Present: Aden Ahmed, Saj Bashir, Rajab Chaloo, Jon Cicala, Mark Cortez, Jean Escudero, Don Fisher, Karen Furgerson, Jeff Glick, Norma Guzman, Don Jones, Melody Knight, Alvaro Martinez, Leonel Medellin, Michael Muzheve, Kathleen Rees, Greg Sanders, Hans Schumann, Greta Schuster, Nestor Sherman, Harmeet Singh, Dazhi Sun, Eric Swartz, Roberto Vela Cordova, Amit Verma, Colin Wark, Zak Watson, Kenneth Williams, Randall Williams, Lorraine Killion, Mike Daniel

- I. Call to Order
3:31 PM
 - a. Quorum call
Quorum present
 - b. Presentation of plaque to past Faculty Senate President Michelle Garcia
- II. Approval of minutes, September meeting
Approved by voice vote
- III. Presentations
 - a. Provost Gandy
 - b. John Burnett reported that the TAMU-K Affirmative Action plan is available from the Office of Compliance
- IV. Report of Officers
 - a. Senate President Mike Daniel
 - i. Meetings with President and Provost: The Senate President requested input from constituents to take to meetings with the President and Provost.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Progress report – Administrator Evaluation Committee – Amit Verma
 - b. Progress report – SRI Task Force Committee assignments – Harmeet Singh
 - c. Progress report – Committee on Committees – Melody Knight: Assistant Professor Tanner Machado has agreed to chair the committee again.
 - d. Proposed change to Faculty Handbook, Section B.5.4, Post Tenure Review: Amended version distributed this week to faculty. The amendment passed by voice vote with two abstentions.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Items of interest r.e. adding items and appeals to promotion and tenure portfolios—Senate President Daniel indicated that the faculty handbook policy on this topic may need to be revisited.
 - b. University policy r.e. being on-campus for interaction—Senate President Daniel asked senators to take the question of faculty consistently missing committee members because they are not on campus to their constituents.

- c. Student comments on SRIs—Senate President Daniel reported that SGA has raised in the Academic Dean’s Council the notion that student comments on SRIs should be made available to chairs and deans, and asked senators to take that matter up with the faculty.
- d. Items from the floor:
 - i. Low participation in JNet—Amit Verma
 - ii. Library overdue fees—Roberto Vela Cordova
 - iii. Regent’s selection policy—

VII. Announcement

- a. Dr. Kathleen Rees is our nomination for the regent’s award this year.

VIII. Adjournment

4:34

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 6, 2012