



**Faculty Senate Minutes
Sam Houston State University
April 15, 2004**

Members present: David Bailey, James Carter, Steven Cuvelier, Mary Lynn DeShazo, Stacey Edmonson, Mark Frank, Mary Gutermuth, Marsha Harman, Deborah Hatton, David Henderson, Lady Jane Hickey, Joe Kirk, Gerald Kohers, S. Thomas Kordinak, Paul Loeffler, Valerie Muehsam, Holly Miller, Kandi Tayebi, Tamara Waggener, Patricia Williams

Member absent: Chris Baldwin (illness), Penny Hasekoester (professional conflict), Christopher White (professional conflict)

Approval of Minutes

Emendations for the minutes of April 1st were approved.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs

Chair Loeffler reported that his committee had requested from Dean Chapman the source of his statement regarding 20% of faculty from the College of Arts and Sciences failing to have graded feedback to students by midterm. Dean Chapman reportedly replied that this was an important issue and that the Faculty Senate should gather its own data. Discussion ensued regarding whether Dean Chapman possessed the data to support his claim and whether the data might be anecdotal. Further discussion brainstormed ways to collect the data.

University Affairs

Chair Waggener and Senator Mark Franks presented a written report entitled *Current Travel Money and Policies*. The report indicated that the committee was not able to determine allocations for each college or department, but Ms. Norma O'Bannon in

exchange program with other universities in the TSUS was proposed and unanimously accepted.

- Chair Tayebi reminded Senators of the up-coming IDEA and SIR-II workshops.

New Business

A replication of the Post-Tenure Survey has been received positively. The cost is estimated to be between \$700 and \$1,000.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Harman, Chair-Elect