

DRAFT: FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

May 2, 2013
3:30 p.m. –5:00 p.m.
Austin Hall

Members present:

Helen Berg (COE); Don Bumpass (COBA); Donna Cox (COE); Mark Frank (COBA); Debbi Hatton (CHSS); Richard Henriksen (COE); Joan Hudson (COS); C. Renée James (COBA); Bill Jasper (COS); Gerald Kohers (COBA); Paul Loeffler (COS); Dennis Longmire (CJ); Sheryl Mulvaney (CFAMC); Dwayne Pavelock (COS); Tracy Stead (CHSS); Stacy Ulbig (CHSS); Doug Ullrich (COS); Walton Watkins (CFAMC); Ricky White (COS); Pam Zelbst (COBA)

Members not present: Nancy Baker (CHSS); Tracy Bilsing (CHSS); Kevin Clifton (CFAMC); Tom Cox (CHSS); James Crosby (CHSS); Diane Dowdey (CHSS); Randall Garner (CHSS); Hyung Lim (CFAMC);

responsibilities. She also requested clarification on the roles of various university entities (e.g. CAD), as well as a brief rundown of what the President and Provost can do. The Provost supported the idea and will schedule such a presentation early in the fall of 2013.

Coordinating Board

The Provost said that a bill had gone to a Texas State legislature committee to address the expansion of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) its adopted powers. The Provost felt that,

Drop Date

The Provost expects the drop date to be week 10. Chair Steele had expressed concerns about the timing of instructor evaluations since students will have until the 10th week for the final drop but the Provost believed this issue can be worked out.

Changes in Faculty Development Leave (FDL) Policy

The Provost will ask CAD regarding the proposed changes to FDL policy.

Department Evaluations

Jeff Roberts has been hired away from TAMU to manage department evaluations. Every year Roberts will focus on 12 programs. Every program will receive a budget of \$20,000 to address problems for promotion. Each department and program will be reviewed every five years. The idea is that

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A motion was made to accept the AA committee report. The motion was passed unanimously (11 yes, 6 no, 2 abstentions).