Faculty Senate Meeting-Hamilton 141 March 10, 1986

Members Present: Calloway

Hill Hopson J. Johnson S. Johnson

Lark Murphey Richter Members Absent: Martin

Nelson Schultz Wallace

Meeting called to order at 3:05 P.M.

No restrictions, according to Dr. Griffin, apply to personal days, a new policy. Discretion would be made on the occasion of "death days" to make them personal days rather than unpaid days.

Other changes in enrollment day procedures should be accomplished through Division Chairs if other changes are warranted or desired. As it stands, one person from each division will be responsible for enrollment in the afternoon in the ballroom.

Division Chairs received lists of improvement suggestions made by faculty. Future of implementation of improvements is questionable because of budget problems. Again, Division Chairs are the go-betweens for suggestions and improvements.

Faculty members should check on departmental scholarship application deadline and search for departmental scholarship recipients as well.

Discussion on recruitment in junior colleges and high schools ensued. Home economics students (Zeta Camma members) do their share of recruiting on field trips to various high school classes where speeches and demonstrations are done.

On April 14 and 15, 1986, the faculty will be evaluated by students. Returning to class for "thirty" minutes of teaching seems futile. Evaluation will occur in the spring and fall of 1986. Evaluation forms should be made available for instructors to review prior to April 14. Completed evalution forms should be given to instructors after the forms have been reviewed by Dr. Griffin. Are any faculty recommendations made by Division Chairs? If so, are they available to the instructors? Are Division Chairs Evaluated by their faculty? Could/should students, as well as faculty, evaluate administration? The Faculty Senate unanimously recommends that at least a summary of an instructor's evaluation be made to him/her after Dr. Griffin reviews the evaluations.

Student Senate liked the idea of the Job Fair and will cooperate to make it a success. A Job Fair should not only be aimed at teaching positions, but for other positions as well. Because of the amount of work and logistics involved, March, 1987, would be the ideal time for the Job Fair. Ideally, the Job Fair would be an annual event. At the Job Fair, potential employers would be asked to come to campus to interview students for employment purposes. Various graduate schools would also be represented. The administration should be made aware of these hopes for the project. Each division should gather to create a list of propective employers to contact to come to

the Job Fair where they would do job interviews as well as give employment information to all students, not just seniors.

Compliments were offered to the fine enforcement of the parking rule for dogs in pick-up beds.

Faculty Senate will next meet on April 7, 1986, at 3 P.M. in Hamilton 141.

Meeting adjourned at 3:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Richter

Minutes of Faculty Senate Meeting April 7, 1986

Members Present:

Calloway J. Johnson

Hill

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Richter

Members Absent:

Lark Nelson

Martin Schultz

Murphey Wallace

Meeting called to order at 3:10

The dog situation in Married Student Housing is out of hand. Complaint should be made, but to which office, Mike Releford, Dean Gribble, or the Business office? If people flagrantly break housing lease regulations, the lease rules should be either enforced or changed. Perhaps the City of Goodwell ought to check dogs for the required city tag. The Faculty Senate will pursue this problem.

TSTI is having a Job Fair next week. Murphey and Russ Edenborough will coordinate PSU attendance. This Saturday at 8:30 A.M. at the Amarillo Civic Center, a resume clinic will be held and is open to all. On April 28, 1986, Fort Hays State Univ. will hold a teacher career day. PSU Faculty Senate will sponsor a Job Fair next spring. A concrete date for the event, possibly March, 1987, will be set soon. Faculty Senate will request each faculty member to suggest prospective employers, graduate schools, and professional schools to invite to the Job Fair. At the Job Fair, employers and professional schools would have the opportunity to interview students as prospective employees or professional school students.

Departmental scholarship money is not available for summer school, only for the fall.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will occur on May 5, 1986.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Jane Richter

Faculty Senate Meeting-Hamilton 141 May 5, 1986

Meeting called to order at 3:00 P.M.

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Members Absent:

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Calloway

Lark Murphey Martin

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Richter

Nelson

J. Johnson

Wallace.

S. Johnson

Schultz

Earl Diddle, Faculty Senate Member 1986-7 from HPER, attended also.

The proposed PSU Job Fair was the first item of discussion in this last meeting of the Faculty Senate for 1985-6. The question of whether there are enough students interested in business and industry here at PSU to make a Job Fair worthwhile was raised. Perhaps PSU could simply coordinate with the TSTI Job Fair in Amarillo. Our problem with the Amarillo Job Fair is its lack of representatives in the area of agriculture, so PSU could help increase the TSTI contacts in that area. If PSU were to help with this Job Fair, people on campus need to offer significant help with leg work in the form of telephoning and letter writing. PSU employees could work as advisors with the Amarillo Job Fair and could take PSU students to the event in the spring to interview at University expense. To increase the number of contacts PSU could provide TSTI, PSU alumni need to be contacted. The PSU Alumni Association could help in this area-to provide business addresses of alumni. Instructors and administrators should list places of employment of as many PSU graduates as possible. Alumni Association will be asked to pursue this matter, and the campus will be polled for similar information. The consensus seemed to be that PSU ought to help expand and promote the Amarillo Job Fair rather than to establish its own Job Fair.

A discussion of another campus professional group for instructors followed. Should AAUP (American Association of University Professors) begin a chapter on the PSU campus? Or are instructors too involved in their professional societies to create another organization on campus? If there are question about AAUP, contact Jess Hankla. If the OEA at PSU doesn't gain new members, it will lose its independent status which will not allow PSU a slate of officers or a delegate to OEA conventions.

Faculty Senate President Sandol Johnson asked for feedback on teacher evaluations. Different comments and questions were asked, such as Was anything tabulated based on the evaluations? How were the evaluations evaluated? Students got tired of filling out the evaluations, so were the evaluations done at the end of the evaluation period worthwhile? Is an evaluation which can be completed within five minutes a credible evaluation? More space should be devoted to written comments by the students. Teacher evaluation is a useful tool and should not be abandoned. It ought to occur on a regular basis, perhaps once a year.

The dog situation in Married Student Housing became the next topic of discussion. It was reported that Married Student Housing and Faculty Housing go by different rules in regard to pets. New duplexes ought to be designated as Faculty Housing so that those faculty members living there could have pets. Enforcing pet rules in Married Student Housing should be taken up with the administration. The problem is the choice of having pets or having students. Enforcing the pet rule would alienate students or cause atudents to leave; not having a pet rule would allow everyone in Married Student Housing b have a menagerie. No clear solution was discussed or even seen for this problem.

Jiane Murphey, Faculty Senate Vice President, will be in charge of setting up the next Faculty Senate meeting in the fall and will supervise the nomination and election of officers for 1986-7.

Meeting adjourned at 3:56 P.M.

Sara Richier