Faculty Senate Minutes

September 14th, 2012

1. **Call to Order:** Jim Heflin called the meeting to order 3:02pm.

2. **Guest Speaker, President Ross:**
   a. President Ross announced that Fall 2012 enrollment was down 5.67%. Although we cannot expect our enrollment to keep on growing each semester, President Ross said that she did not expect the percentage to be that high. She explained that graduation rates in Southwest Oklahoma High Schools were down 8.8% and that this might have influenced our enrollment this semester.
   b. President Ross announced that there would be no raises this year due to the enrollment numbers but that she did was hopeful for a stipend. She discussed the history of faculty raises at Cameron University.
   c. She discussed that the regents would be on campus and that she planned to present them with Cameron’s 2018 and 2025 Plan for their approval.
   d. President Ross discussed the importance of State and Federal legislation and the impact on Cameron’s financial situation.
   e. President Ross discussed the “Complete College America” initiative. Cameron will be developing a Cameron Complete College America initiative which will focus on remediation, retention, adult education, time to degree and encouragement to get the degree finished.
   f. President Ross discussed the success of Early Alert and emphasized the importance of all professors to use it. She said that 44% of professors are not using Early Alert.

3. **Roll Call:**
   b. **Absent:** Keith Vitense and Mary Penick.

4. **Approve August 31, 2012 Minutes:**
   a. Jim Heflin called for the approval of the minutes for August 31, 2012. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **Unfinished Business:**
   a. A handout detailing a recommendation allowing the Chair of the Faculty Senate to make committee appointment from the Faculty Senate was
circulated. Dr. Heflin moved to defer to the rules committee on this matter. Mike Estep 2\textsuperscript{nd} the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6. New Business:
   a. Dr. Janda brought into discussion the information that President Ross discussed concerning Early Alert. She proposed that the Faculty Senate pass a resolution for 100\% participation in Early Alert. Several recommendations were made as to how to encourage participation in Early Alert. The motion by Dr. Janda was seconded by Dr. Wright-Smith. The motion was passed unanimously.

7. Announcements:
   a. Dr. McArthur encouraged the Faculty Senate to nominate for all university awards.
   b. New Meeting Place for October meeting: Burch Room 209 at 3:00 PM
   c. Visitors present: Chas Holbrook.

8. Adjourn meeting: 4:30pm