

CAMERON UNIVERSITY

FACULTY COUNCIL

APPROVED MINUTES

December 6, 2000

Meeting was convened at 3:30 PM in Sciences Complex, Rm. 201

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Barger, Blackburn, Blackman, Chester, Crane, Crawford, DeAlmeida, Dzindolet, Epperson, Kingsley, Lambert, Reeves, Snider, Warren, Wright-Smith, Zhao

Absent: Hagee, Heflin, Hodgson, Jones, Klein, Pearce, Raborn, Smyth

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda for December 6, 2000. Lambert; Second: Wright-Smith. The motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Faculty Council minutes of November 1, 2000 approved as written.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Appeals Committee--The committee readmitted the 24 students who had lain out the time necessary to qualify for readmittance

Cameron Council--The council determined that employees can put secular holiday decorations in their private workspaces. A new contract has been negotiated with food services, improving the student flex plan.

Faculty Committee--Benson Warren submitted to the Faculty Council proposed changes to sections 4.6 and 4.11.4 of the Faculty Handbook. Motion to put the amendments on the agenda for the next meeting; Crawford. Second: Dzindolet.

Faculty Development Committee--The committee met on December 5, 2000. They gathered suggestions on possible topics for discussion by this year's committee. Suggestions included assessment, interactive and web-based courses, and dealing with classroom conflict. They approved guidelines to be used for this year's faculty development proposals. These will be sent to each faculty member. They also approved \$4,000 to help send participants to the International Conference on Teaching and Leadership Excellence to be held in Austin, TX, May 27-30, 2001.

General Education Committee--The committee will meet with individual department faculties during the week before spring semester classes start in order to discuss each department's review of its Gen Ed courses.

Institutional Assessment Committee--The committee met on November 16, 2000. They will coordinate with the General Education Committee to identify mid-level outcomes which will be implemented next year; they will also review the assessment of general education and recommend improvements to the provost. There was some discussion of the best means to bring all department assessment plans into compliance with institutional assessment requirements. There was also discussion of the need to tie proposed curricular changes to assessment.

Internal Services Committee--The committee has sent out a survey regarding faculty dining and is awaiting

responses.

Long-Range Planning–The committee met with Provost McKellips to discuss progress in the development of on-line courses and the proposed reorganization of the university into junior and senior college functions. The provost circulated a description of a possible restructuring; that document has been forwarded to Faculty Council members.

Teacher Ed Council–All students who attended interviews were approved.

Regents' Faculty Advisory Committee–The committee met in Oklahoma City. Snider, Lambert, and Kingsley attended. Several documents were circulated at that meeting including the National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education report card for Oklahoma schools, Oklahoma higher education budget information, the Advisory Committee's annual report, the regents' workplan, and information on retirement eligibility. Snider circulated all relevant documents to Faculty Council members.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

Snider proposed establishing Faculty Council awards for outstanding service. Some discussion followed.

## ADJOURNMENT--

Meeting adjourned 4:45 PM

Submitted by,

Margery Kingsley,

Secretary