USAO Faculty Association

December 2, 2003

Minutes

Signed-in as present: (legible)

K. Brown, J. Bruce, L. Crumb, R. Drummond, C. Elder, V. Ferguson, A.
Frankland, D. Hanson, K. Harrison, T. Harrison, L. Hester, H. Howard, S.
Huguenin, J. Johnson, S. Kao, S. Kelley, R. King, J. Knapp, K. Lamar, J.
Long, L. Magrath, J. Mather, M. Mather, J. Miller, N. Osborn, J. Pasley, D.
Reigh, P. Thomas, N. Warden, M. Williams, T. Winn.

I. President Darryel Reigh called the meeting to order at 11:05 am.

II. Minutes of the Nov. 4, 2003 meeting were moved for approval

(Mather/McGrath).

Motion carried.

III. Treasurer Report – Dan Hanson reported a balance of $1037.84.

IV. Regents meeting report

The regents went into executive session to review the performance of the
president, to approve the stipend, and to approve the external audit. Following
the executive session, D. Reigh presented information provided by J. Hanson, B.
Brown, K. Bohannon, and L. Hester. The next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 9,
2003.

V. Committee Reports

A. Curriculum Committee –

There was a general discussion on potential changes in the IDS curriculum. S.
Huguenin reported a move to consolidate freshman seminar into a one week
course conducted by Student Services. This move would free up 4.5 faculty
positions currently involved in it. There was discussion about freshman seminar
being a one-hour credit course thus freeing up two hours. There was a
discussion on what to do with those two hours.

B. Faculty Handbook – (no report)

C. Faculty Resource Committee – (no report)
VI. Old Business

A. The ad hoc committee concerned with student-athletes reported that some success has been achieved. There is an overall sentiment to continue the committee.

B. Graduation program – majors will be not be added to the December 2003 Commencement program.

C. CLEP/Advanced Placement – D. Reigh encouraged the faculty to respond to the VP’s request for information. The CLEP information will not be published in the next catalog.

VII. New Business

A. D. Reigh drafted items for discussion with the president. The VP indicated that the items on the draft were already being taken care of by the chairs. There was discussion about the veracity of that statement and that it should be addressed in the next faculty forum. There was a general consensus to meet with the president in February. In order to prepare for such a meeting, it was recommended that the Faculty Resources committee prepare a checklist of questions for the president to address.

B. T. Harrison brought up some inconsistencies in the assignment of WF and WP grades. Clarification is needed on the proper procedure.

VIII. Announcements

R. Drummond suggested that faculty be able to purchase their own computers once they have been replaced. The past response to this suggestion is that there is a state law prohibiting this but no one is sure if this is correct.

K. Lamar announced the holiday art show which will remain up until December 5, 2003.

J. Mather informed the association that Books for Tots was still in need of donations.

D. Reigh announced that a decision is yet to be made on whether or not USAO will host the Scholastic Meet in 2004.

Meeting Adjourned 11:52 a.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Brown, FA Secretary