

**FACULTY SENATE  
MINUTES  
October 26, 2011  
University Center UC215**

**I. Call to Order: 3:08 p.m.**

**Attending:**

<b>Richard Braley</b>	<b>William Fridley</b>	<b>Susan Webb</b>
<b>Michael Reed</b>	<b>Brett Elliott</b>	<b>Deborah Combs</b>
<b>Steven Emge</b>	<b>Chris Moretti</b>	<b>Lawrence Silver</b>
<b>Sheila Barnes</b>	<b>George Jacox</b>	<b>Dan Althoff</b>
<b>Martin Bressler</b>	<b>Bruce Johnson</b>	<b>Diane Dixon</b>
<b>Aaron Adair</b>		

**Not Attending:**

<b>Hal Poovey</b>	<b>Blythe Duell</b>	<b>Jacob Wallace</b>
<b>Dennis Brewster</b>	<b>Riley Coker</b>	<b>Kathleen Hardgrove</b>
<b>Gerrie Johnson</b>		

**II. Approval of October 12th Minutes**

**III. Committee Reports**

**A. Executive Committee Report—Sen. Dixon**

Summarized the main points of the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting with President Minks: on tuition waivers for dependents of faculty, President Minks has asked Ross Walkup to examine how other RUSO institutions handle this. President Minks was receptive to the suggestions about shared governance proposals and asked that the Personnel Policies Committee prepare a formal draft of the proposals. Also discussed were the progress of the Harvard Leadership meetings, and developments in the OK legislature concerning developments relating to higher education.

**B. Budget Committee**

The Committee met prior to the Senate meeting. They are collecting and examining budget and salary data and hope to present a report on areas of concern at the next Senate meeting.

**C. Committee on Committees – Sen. Dixon**

Committee did not meet

**D. Personnel Policies Committee—Sen. Fridley**

Committee did not meet, but intends to finish the document proposing shared governance forums to present for the Senate's review. Senator Fridley also indicated he will meet with SE Webmaster Robert Nordmark on Nov. 1, in order to gain access for posting Senate archives on the SE website.

**E. Planning Committee**

Committee did not meet, but did briefly discuss the issue of self-nominations for the Faculty Senate Award in Scholarship. No formal proposal was made on this.

**F. University Affairs**

No Report or meeting

**IV. Old Business**

There was some discussion about whether there were any conclusions concerning last year's discussion over how honors graduates are determined or identified on graduation day. It appears that no changes to the traditional procedures have been or will be made.

**V. New Business**

Senator Dixon asked whether there were any suggested topics for the next meeting between the Executive Committee and the President. Suggestions included the issue of raising adjunct pay (perhaps on the basis of years of adjunct experience), shared governance, and budget concerns.

Given the desire to present the Budget Committee's report prior to the announcement of the Harvard Group's conclusions, the Senate voted to hold its next meeting on Wednesday, November 2 at 3:00.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*William Lloyd Fridley* (filling in for Blythe Duell)