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1. The meeting was called to order at 3:20 PM on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 in Library B, Chairperson Rollo-Koster presiding. Senators Kusz, Rarick, Sullivan, Tsiatas, and Welters were present.

2. Minutes of FSEC Meeting #13, October 21, 2015 were approved as amended.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS
   a. Ms. Neff was asked to thank Senator Euler for taking the time to provide FSEC members with a tour of the new Richard E. Beaupre Center for Chemical and Forensic Sciences including Room 105, the possible new location for Faculty Senate meetings in 2016-2017.
   b. The FSEC reviewed agenda items for discussion with the President.

4. NEW BUSINESS
   a. Chairperson Rollo-Koster raised a concern about students posting course materials, class notes, and copies or photos of examinations on public, third party websites. She expressed concern that copyright laws were potentially being violated by this practice. The FSEC discussed the role of the institution in supporting a deontological code of ethics regarding course materials and instructor’s rights.
   b. The FSEC briefly discussed the draft of an article, \textit{Holistic Review in Graduate Admissions}, by Julia D. Kent and Maureen Terese McCarthy, Council of Graduate Schools, forwarded to them for their consideration by Dean Zawia.

5. ONGOING BUSINESS
   a. The FSEC discussed the proposal from Director Goldsmith agreeing with the FSEC to abolish the Teaching Effectiveness Committee and recommending that it be replaced with an advisory committee to the Faculty Development Office, a unit within the Office for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning. The FSEC asked Ms. Neff to invite Director Goldsmith to attend a FSEC meeting to discuss the plan. The roles of other committees, Learning Outcomes Oversight Committee, Joint Committee on Online and
Distance Learning, and the Subcommittee on Assessment of General Education, were discussed relative to the new general education program.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Neff