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Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Monday, February 16, 1970, at 3:30 p.m., in the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

Members Present: Mr. McConnell, Dr. Daley, Dr. Miller, Dr. Sackett, Dr. Ely, Dr. Witten, Dr. Oliva, Mr. McCullick, Mrs. Theis, Mr. Rayl and Dr. Garwood, Chairman.

Members Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Garwood, Chairman.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION. Section IV which deals with "Meetings" was discussed.

Section A reads as follows:

- A. Regular meetings of the Faculty Senate shall be held monthly. The May meeting shall be a general meeting of all the faculty.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Miller moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Mr. McConnell. Motion carried.

Section IV. B reads as follows:

- B. Special meetings may be called by the chairman or by petition of ten per cent of the members.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Oliva moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Ely.

After a brief discussion, motion carried.

Section IV. C reads as follows:

- C. A quorum for all meetings shall be a majority of the members. Voting in all matters except amendments to this Constitution shall be by simple majority of those voting.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Oliva moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Mr. McCullick.

A brief discussion was held as to the necessity of including the statement.

Would this information not be contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Revised?

The question was called for. Motion carried.

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Section IV. D reads as follows:

- D. The usual order of business shall be the following:
1. Call for additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting, as distributed.
 2. Reports of standing committees.
 3. Reports of special committees.
 4. Unfinished business.
 5. New business.
 6. Announcements.
 7. Adjournment.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. McConnell moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Oliva.

The question was raised again as to the necessity of Section D if proceedings were to follow Robert's Rules of Order, Revised. Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, would cover this. It was suggested if the order of business were specified in the Constitution, this might make it easier to conduct the business of the new Senate.

The question was called for. Motion carried.

Section IV. E reads as follows:

- E. Meetings of the Faculty Senate will be open to all members of the faculty, administration, and student body who wish to attend. Non-members may address the Senate only when invited to do so by the chairman. The chairman shall have the power to eject visitors who disturb its proceedings.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Oliva moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by

Mrs. Theis!

The question was raised as to whether there are some items that come before the Senate which should not be taken up in an open meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Oliva moved to amend the statement by adding the sentence "By majority vote the Senate may hold closed sessions." Motion seconded by Mr. McConnell. The amended motion carried.

Although the proposal calls for open meetings involving faculty, administration and students, would the members of the press be allowed at such a meeting? Would a member of the Board of Regents be permitted to attend such a meeting?

The question was raised as to how visitors would be ejected.

Motion carried.

Section IV. F reads as follows:

- F. Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the meetings of the Faculty Senate in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with this Constitution or the special rules of order of the Senate. A parliamentarian shall be appointed by the chairman from the members of the Senate.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Oliva moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Ely.

It is conceivable that no elected member of the Senate would be qualified to be a parliamentarian. It was suggested that if no one is qualified to be a parliamentarian, some one member of the Senate might acquire the requisite skills.

The question was called for. Motion carried.

Section IV. G reads as follows:

- G. The Faculty Senate may, upon two-thirds vote, adopt bylaws governing its operations.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Oliva moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Witten.

The question was raised as to whether it meant two-thirds of the Senate or two-thirds of those present. The interpretation was it would be two-thirds of those present.

After a brief discussion, the motion carried.

Section V. deals with the Committees and sub-committees' structure. Section A reads as follows:

- A. Committees or sub-committees of the Faculty Senate may include other members of the faculty, members of the administration, or students as provided below.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. McConnell moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Oliva.

It was noted that under the proposal, each Senate member would be a member of at least two committees. Would this not require a great deal of time? Faculty members who are not on the Senate would also be asked to serve on proposed committees. Much of the work of the Senate would be done in the committees. Committee reports could then be brought to the Senate for approval or disapproval.

It appears that some of the proposed committees would be duplicating the work of some of the committees which the College now has. Once the Senate is constituted, this duplication could be eliminated.

The question was called for. Motion carried.

Section V. B reads as follows:

- B. Each committee and sub-committee shall elect its own chairman, who shall be a member of the Faculty Senate.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Miller moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Oliva, Motion carried.

Section V. C reads as follows:

- C. Each committee shall submit its minutes to each meeting of the Senate.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Oliva moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Ely.

Would these minutes be oral reports by the committee chairman or would they be written reports? Reports would need to be in writing so that Senate members could read them prior to the meeting of the Senate.

The question was raised as to whether the committees should submit their minutes to the Senate or whether they should submit final reports to the Senate.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Sackett moved that the statement be deleted and the following statement substituted: "Each committee shall submit a written report to each meeting of the Senate." Motion seconded by Dr. Oliva. Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. McConnell moved that the revised statement be adopted. Seconded by Mr. McCullick, Motion carried.

Section V. D reads as follows:

- D. A majority of all committee or sub-committee members shall constitute a quorum for committee or sub-committee meetings.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Miller moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Mr. McConnell. Motion carried.

Section E deals with the composition of the standing committees. It was suggested that Section E be bypassed until consideration is given for the need of the standing committees. The Chairman so ordered.

Section V. F reads as follows:

- F. The permanent sub-committees of the Faculty Senate shall be as follows:

1. The Executive Committee shall have no sub-committees.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. McConnell moved that the statement be adopted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Theis.

Under the proposal, the Executive Committee will consist of the chairman, vice chairman and secretary of the Faculty Senate and the chairman of the four proposed committees - Academic Affairs Committee, College Affairs Committee, Student Affairs Committee and External Affairs Committee.

The question was called for. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

John D. Garwood, Chairman

Lucille Drees, Recorder