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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

June 19, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Allan Busch, Faculty Senate President, at 3:30 p.m. in the Pioneer Lounge of the Memorial Union.

ROLL CALL

The secretary called the roll and the following members were present:

Ms. Joanne Harwick, Dr. Al Geritz, Dr. Sam Warfel, Mr. Dewayne Winterlin, Dr. Louis Miller, Dr. Steven Tramel, Mr. David Lefurgey, Mr. Elton Schroder, Dr. John Watson, Dr. Ed Shearer, Dr. Richard Zakrzewski, Ms. Ellen Veed, Ms. Sandra Rupp, Dr. Robert Meier, Ms. Patricia Rhoades, Mr. Daniel Rupp, Dr. Ann Liston, Dr. Allan Busch, Mr. Richard Heil, Dr. Ron Smith, Dr. Nevell Razak, Dr. James Stansbury, Dr. Billy Daley, Ms. Donna Harsh, Ms. Orvene Johnson, Mr. Mac Reed, Ms. Caroline Gatschet.

The following members were absent: Ms. Virginia Bornholdt, Mr. Robert Brown, Dr. Lloyd Frerer, Dr. Gerry Brower, Dr. Charles Votaw, Dr. Louis Caplan, Mr. Edgar McNeil, Ms. Sandria Lindsay, Ms. Calvina Thomas.

The following alternates were present: Dr. John Knight for Bornholdt, Mr. James Walters for Ginther.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved with the following corrections:

1. The word "exigency" was misspelled "exgency" everywhere it occurs on page 8.
2. President Tomanek had written to President Busch asking that the statement on page 4 which indicated that he had approved the Proposed Academic Advising System be clarified. The President has approved the procedure for improving advising but has neither approved nor disapproved the document in question.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. President Tomanek has approved all recommendations of the Faculty Senate in the May meeting of the Senate.
2. A hearing will be held by the Board of Regents in Topeka, June 25, 1979, on the universities' traffic and parking regulations. Anyone wishing to comment on those regulations may appear and be heard at that time.
3. The President's Office is seeking prospective members for the university's standing campus committees for the 1979-80 academic year. Anyone wishing to serve on one of the following committees should contact the President's Office as soon as possible. The appointments will be made September 1, 1979.
 1. Student-Faculty Court
 2. Student Organizations

- 3. Faculty Orientation and Development
- 4. Affirmative Action
- 5. Title IX
- 6. Special Events
- 7. Traffic
- 8. Library
- 9. Campus Appearance
- 10. Fort Hays State Lake Retreat
- 11. Memorial Union Policy Board

4. The Appeal Committee in the appeal of Professor Myron Boor has been dissolved by President Tomanek subsequent to a resolution of Professor Boor's grievance.

Dr. Busch called attention to announcement number 3 and asked that Senators notify their constituents about the committee openings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE--Dr. Ron Smith, Chair

M1 On behalf of the committee Dr. Smith moved that the Faculty Senate endorse administration efforts to update course syllabi. (Mr. Heil seconded.)

Dr. Smith explained that Dr. Garwood, Dean of Instruction, keeps copies of course syllabi on file in his office. Dr. Garwood had approached the committee regarding the development of a standard form for syllabi. There will be a special effort to bring the syllabi file up-to-date as the University prepares for the eminent accreditation review of the North Central Accreditation Association. This motion is to indicate Senate support for this effort.

Mr. Rupp asked if keeping syllabi current was not to be an ongoing process in every department. Dr. Smith said that each department probably should have such a process but that some departments maintain the system better than others. Therefore, Dean Garwood's efforts to update his file should spur those departments which are lax.

The motion carried.

BY-LAWS AND STANDING RULES--Mr. Lefurgey, Chair

Mr. Lefurgey reported that a revision of the By-Laws and Standing Rules will be ready for the next Senate meeting, July 9.

STUDENT AFFAIRS--Dr. Ann Liston, Chair

The Student Affairs Committee had no report.

UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS--Mr. Richard Heil, Chair

M2 On behalf of the committee Mr. Heil moved that the Faculty Senate, in support of the Student Senate, oppose the expansion of the Memorial Union parking lot as proposed by the Long Range Planning Committee. (Dr. Stansbury seconded.)

Mr. Heil explained that the Student Senate had voted against the proposal. Brian Murry had presented the plan to the committee. There would be a 15-year bond issue with parking fees going from \$8.00 to \$20.00 to retire the bonds. The committee also discussed the possibility that not having abundant parking would discourage the use of cars at a time when energy is in short supply. A student in economics had studied the affect of declining enrollments on the bond issue. He concluded that the load of paying for the lot would fall on those who buy parking permits and that the cost per permit holder would necessarily rise as the number of holders declined while the bond payments remained constant.

The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE--Dr. Busch, Chair

Dr. Busch asked Dr. Warfel to report for the committee. Dr. Warfel reminded the Senate of the Executive Committee's decision to send an attendance report for the last year to department chairmen, deans, and Vice-president for Academic Affairs. This will include both Senate meetings and committee meetings. He said that he would be preparing the report after the July meeting and requested that committee chairs send him the necessary information from their committees.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Miller said that one of the music students had attempted to receive advanced standing for English Composition II. After passing the test the student was required to enroll for the course before credit was given. Dr. Miller said that he understood that the only cost for advanced standing was a \$5.00 examination fee.

Dr. Geritz said that he thought there was a misunderstanding. Students may only test out of English Composition I. If they do they pay for the three hours of the course and are given credit.

Dr. Warfel said that he suspected that the student was testing out of English Composition I. It is possible to test out of English Composition II, but to do so requires the usual petitioning for advanced standing and taking of a special examination. On the other hand, every student who enrolls in English Composition I writes a test-out essay on the first day of class. If he is judged to have passed by a panel of readers, he remains enrolled in the course, receives a grade of CR (credit), but does not attend the class. This is an automatic process which does not require a petition from the student.

Dr. Miller asked if it was wise to have different policies for particular courses. Dr. Busch said that the unusual procedure for English Composition I was probably due to the fact that it was a course required of all students.

Dr. Watson said that he recalled that the catalog says that any student can challenge any course by paying a \$5.00 fee. It does not mention any exception.

Dr. Busch referred the matter to the Academic Affairs Committee for clarification. He asked that Dr. Smith report back to the Senate at the July meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam L. Warfel

MR MARC T CAMPBELL