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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

February 3, 1987

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

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Dr. Mike Gould (alternate for Dr. Brent Spaulding), Mr. Frank Nichols, Dr. Thomas Wenke, Ms. Joan Rumpel, Dr. Jim Rucker, Dr. Delbert Marshall, Dr. Fred Britten, Dr. Lloyd Frerer, Dr. John Ratzlaff, Dr. Bill Rickman, Dr. Billy Daley, Dr. Art Hoernicke, Dr. Ninia Smith, Dr. Paul Gatschet, Mr. David Ison, Ms. Leona Pfeifer, Dr. Mark Giese, Dr. Tom Kerns, Dr. John Klier, Dr. Merlene Lyman, Mr. Jim Walters, Mr. Marc Campbell, Dr. Jeffrey Barnett, Dr. Ronald Sandstrom, Dr. Lewis Miller, Dr. Martin Shapiro, Ms. Mary Anne Kennedy, Ms. Eileen Curl, Dr. Paul Faber, Dr. Louis Caplan (alternate for Dr. Roger Pruitt), Dr. Larry Gould, Dr. Robert Markley, Dr. Phyllis Tiffany, Dr. Nevell Razak.

Members absent: Dr. Zoran Stevanov, Dr. Robert Nicholson, Mr. Jack Logan.

Also present: Mr. Lance Demond, Mr. Chris Powers, Dr. James Murphy, Dr. Cathy Hall, Ms. Melanie Miller, Dr. Garry Warren, Mr. Bob VanPoppel, Ms. Leslie Eikleberry, Kevin Amack.

The minutes of the January 12, 1987, meeting were approved.

There were no announcements.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS: Approval of new course.

Industrial Education 510/710: Computer Aided Drafting, 3 cr. hrs. Pre: 6 hours of drafting or equivalent, non-gen. ed. Dr. Sandstrom added that the course cannot be repeated, enrollment will be limited to 12 per semester, and that the course had received unanimous approval in Committee.

Dr. Markley asked if there was equipment necessary to handle the course. Dr. Sandstrom said that there are six stations available, and two students will work per station.

The motion passed unanimously.

UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS: No report.

STUDENT AFFAIRS: No report.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: No report.

By LAWS AND STANDING RULES: Dr. Gatschet reported that the committee has the revised document and is working on updating language. It will probably be ready for the next Faculty Senate meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Garry Warren, Director of Forsyth Library, addressed the Faculty Senate on the following issues:

1. Present financial situation in Forsyth Library
2. Plans for Library development

Dr. Warren passed out a handout on the 1986-87 Library Financial Situation, and discussed its contents. (Senators have copies of this handout.) Briefly, in the 1986-87 year, the Library has suffered a 30% loss in buying power due to budget cuts, OCLC fixed costs and periodical inflation, and a 21% cut in the Library budget. The OOE budget has decreased from \$273,952 to \$216,349.

Dr. Warren discussed the Library Development--Program Improvement Request(PIR). Dr. Murphy explained that the PIR is the only non-mathematical procedure within the budget. This proposal was third in the list of program improvements last year and the first two were funded.

Dr. Giese said that a sub-committee of the Legislative Appropriations Committee will be on campus. He will include with the next set of minutes a checklist of preferences to be checked off. There will be Faculty Senate representation at the meeting with the sub-committee.

The PIR is included on the handout Senators received. Briefly, it is a three year program. The proposal request \$83,000 for ongoing:

On-going budget for 3 librarians	\$72,000
200 Journal subscriptions	<u>11,000</u>
Total Ongoing	<u>\$83,000</u>

One-time Catch-up Library Acquisitions (book acquisitions and shelving):

1st Year: Book Acquisitions (Business and Science Depts.) and shelving:	\$143,000
2nd Year: Book Acquisitions (Nursing, Liberal Arts Depts.) and shelving:	\$169,000
3rd Year: Book Acquisitions (Education, Catch-up Library) and shelving	\$102,000

Dr. Frerer asked where the PIR is in the pipeline.

Dr. Murphy said that this PIR has to be recommended by the University and the Board of Regents before it goes to the Legislature. It was third last year and the first two were accepted. At this time there is no recommendation before the legislature, as priorities have not yet been established. The question is whether there will be program improvements approved this year by each institution. There is tendency that they will move down to number three for the next year after one and two are funded.

Dr. Klier presented the following motion to indicate in the strongest possible terms endorsement for the Library Development proposal:

The Faculty Senate, recognizing the need to improve and strengthen Forsyth Library, strongly endorses the Library Development Proposal of Dr. Garry Warren. The Senate urges the Administration to give priority to the Proposal as a program improvement request to the Board of Regents, until the Proposal is fully implemented.

Seconded by Dr. Frerer.

Dr. Klier commented that now is the time to say that we support the efforts of the administration to increase funding to the library. It is very important for the Faculty Senate which represents the consensus of the campus to go on record in a strong and meaningful way saying to the administration we support you as you go ahead and try to get more money for the library and indeed we encourage you to be as aggressive as you can in this particular way. Dr. Klier said he hopes the Student Senate will follow our lead and propose a similar motion.

Dr. Frerer commented that we should place emphasis on maintaining priority on this matter.

Dr. Miller asked what the other possible priorities are.

Dr. Giese said that the sub-committee will hear from administration and faculty senators and what their priorities are.

Dr. Miller asked what the administration's priorities are.

Dr. Murphy that the two that are recommended for this particular year are instruction for off-campus activities (not necessarily the centers; the funding for that is in place), and the economic development program. Priorities for next year have not been decided yet. Others that were involved this year were equipment and the possibility of a system of advising and developmental activities for students. These will probably be appropriate for next year, too.

Dr. Rickman asked why in the current recession period it seems that the library is hit harder given recognition of the need to upgrade the library.

Dr. Murphy said that the library did not take as large a cut as the academic departments if you compare OOE's. The \$12,144 for OCLC was outside the recession.

Lance Demond, FHSU student, said that from the student point of view that he hoped the Faculty Senate would take up the motion. Student government will also be working together and he hopes that the Student and Faculty Senates can work together and put this as number one on the proposal list. From the student point of view, the library needs to be upgraded to at least "B".

The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bob VanPoppel, Athletic Director, addressed the Faculty Senate. He spoke on the following issues:

Academic Behavior: Last year there were 169 incidents reported to Don Brown. Of those, 25 involved athletes and 24 of those involved 3 athletes. All three have been asked to leave school and dropped from the athletic team prior to the end of the semester.

Grade point averages: Poor class attendance and some of the advising has accounted for poor grade point averages. NAIA requires passing 12 hours a semester. Athletes have been put into classes they cannot handle and discover they cannot succeed when it is too late to drop that class and add another.

Probation: 491 are on probation or suspension. 28 of those are athletes, or 5.7%. It is higher for the rest of the student body.

Grade point averages for freshmen and sophomore athletes are higher than for non-athletes. They are lower for junior and senior athletes than for non-athletes.

Encouraged faculty to have athletes repeat a failed course.

Gave the overall grade point averages for the different sports.

17% of the athletes have a 3.0 + grade point average.

Athletes have to pass 24 hours in a year to retain eligibility.

There will be mandatory drug testing starting next year.

Since Bill Morse has been here, there are only two basketball players who have not completed a degree or are not still pursuing one.

Intersession is not an uncommon thing for student athletes. They may also take correspondence courses to keep their eligibility.

Student athletes have to sign contracts so that they understand their academic responsibility. Athletes are required to check in with their coaches periodically to assess their status in classes.

If anyone has any questions, please contact Mr. Van Poppel.

Dr. Delbert Marshall proposed the following motion:

Considering the fact that Oktoberfest, despite protestations to the contrary, is a celebration of the consumption of beer and also considering the University stance concerning consumption of alcoholic beverages, it seems inconsistent and hypocritical for the University to dismiss classes on the day of Oktoberfest. To have this day of the school year designated by the administration and

faculty as a holiday explicitly condones not only the celebration but the concept of Oktoberfest, which is diametrically opposed to the stated philosophy of the university.

In light of the above consideration, I propose the following motion to the Faculty Senate of Fort Hays State University:

The Faculty Senate recommends that, in future, regular classes be maintained as on any class day during Oktoberfest in Hays.

Seconded by Dr. Markley.

Dr. Frerer questioned whether a motion can be made on the floor. Dr. Giese said that anyone can make a motion on the floor; it does not need to go to committee. Only courses cannot come off the floor. It is the parliamentarian's view of the constitution that we can vote and move different things. Dr. Gould said there is no problem with not having the motion in writing.

Dr. Frerer moved to amend the motion to refer it to a committee.
Seconded by Dr. Ratzlaff.

The motion passed 16 for, 12 against. It will be referred to University Affairs.

Dr. Gould reported on the Presidential Search Committee. They have six very viable candidates and two candidates on which they need to receive more information. There will be no release of information until the completion of the second phase of the search process. There are two reasons for making the information available to the public. There are lots of constituencies who need to know. To have a good beginning for the new president, the information needs to be made available. Dr. Gould wants the faculty and students to hear the information on the names of the candidates before it is released to the news media. The Board of Regents gave permission to release information on the candidates. The committee still hasn't decided whether to go through a pre-interview process off-campus, but it may be that all candidates will come to campus and the faculty will have the opportunity to meet with them.

Dr. Smith asked as a point of information how salary reductions for summer are being handled in other departments. Education will have a 10% reduction in June. Dr. Giese said that HPER will have a 5.5% reduction in June.

Dr. Frerer moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Dr. Gatschet.

The meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Rumpel, Secretary
Faculty Senate