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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

June 5, 1984

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

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Dr. Brent Spaulding, Mr. Frank Nichols, Dr. Frank Potter, Mr. Jack Logan, Ms. Martha Eining, Ms. Sandra Rupp, Dr. Larry Nicholson, Dr. Stephen Shapiro, Dr. Bill Rickman, Dr. Billy Daley, Dr. Allan Miller, Dr. Carl Singleton, Dr. Richard Leeson, Dr. Jean Salien, Mr. Stephen Clarke, Dr. Mark Giese, Dr. Robert Luhrs, Mr. Don Barton, Dr. Elton Beougher, Dr. Jeffrey Barnett, Dr. William Wilkins, Dr. Lewis Miller, Ms. Rose Brungardt, Ms. Marilyn Scheuerman, Dr. Stephen Tramel, Dr. Bill Welch, Dr. Richard Heil, Dr. Robert Markley.

Alternates: Dr. Richard Zakrzewski for Dr. John Ratzlaff, Dr. Gerry Cox for Dr. Nevell Razak.

The following members were absent: Mr. Elton Schroder, Dr. Marcia Bannister, Dr. Bill Robinson, Mr. Gary Arbogast, Mr. Glen McNeil.

Approval of minutes: The May 7, 1984, Faculty Senate Minutes were approved as distributed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Senate Presidents of the Regents institutions met and attended the meetings of the Board of Regents in Topeka on May 17 and 18. The Senate Presidents made three presentations to the Academic Affairs Committee. The first presentation concerned salary and fringe benefit concerns at Regents institutions. The second presentation concerned the potential enhancement of undergraduate education as a result of graduate programs. The third presentation concerned the developing relationship between the Board of Regents and the Faculty Senate Presidents.

The Senate Presidents will again be meeting and attending meetings of the Board of Regents on June 28 and 29 in Topeka.

2. At their May meeting the Board of Regents approved the addition of three insurance companies to be included along with TIAA-CREF as companies in which faculty can place their retirement funds. Details regarded the placement of retirement funds in these four companies will soon be made available by the Business Office.

Some discussion, but no action was taken on a plan to upgrade faculty salaries and fringe benefits. The plan as it is now envisioned proposes to increase base salaries by 7% and the state contribution to retirement by 1% for each of the next three years. The fact that a plan to enhance faculty salaries and fringe benefits is being considered is very encouraging, but keep in mind that the Governor and the Legislature take part in approving such a plan and the decision to do so is in part based on the forecast of dollars available to spend. Presently the revenue forecast for next year is not encouraging.
Two FHSU program proposals were on the Board of Regents agenda. The Masters Degree Program in Nursing was withdrawn from consideration and the Physical Science Major was approved.

3. Three new courses approved by the Faculty Senate were approved by Vice-President Murphy. Each of the courses will be offered next fall. They are: Psychology 740 - "Advanced Learning and Motivation", Psychology 655 - "Organizational Psychology", and HPER 745 - "Stress Physiology and Fitness Programming."

4. If you will be a Faculty Senate member next year, please fill out the following form and send it to Dr. Elton Beougher, Vice-President of the Faculty Senate.

5. Dr. Bill Rickman has accepted the nomination for Vice-President of the Faculty Senate, and Dr. Jeffrey Barnett has accepted the nomination for Secretary of Faculty Senate.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive:

No report.

Academic Affairs:

No report.

By-laws and Standing Rules:

Mr. Nichols, chairperson of the By-laws and Standing Rules Committee, proposed a new standing rule that was approved in committee. This was presented as the following motion:


For purposes of determining Senate representation, the library shall be considered a department and elect its representatives accordingly.

Dr. Markley asked how many people from the library were eligible for the Senate. Mr. Clarke indicated that there were six people eligible. There was no further discussion.

The question was called. The motion was unanimously passed.

Student Affairs:

No report.

University Affairs:

Dr. Potter, chairperson of the University Affairs Committee, distributed three possible amendments to the present university policy for approval of new courses and programs. Dr. Potter provided a historical prospective concerning the problems and inconsistencies with the present policy. He indicated that the University Affairs Committee favored amendment proposal number 2. The proposed amendments are as follows:
1. Amended: All new courses and programs are to be approved by the Faculty Senate. Normally, they will first be approved by the Academic Affairs Committee of the Faculty Senate. Graduate courses and programs, or courses having graduate credit will be submitted to the Graduate Council after approval by the Faculty Senate.

2. Amended: New courses numbered 000-799 will be approved by the Faculty Senate. Normally, they will first be approved by the Academic Affairs Committee of the Faculty Senate. Courses numbered 500-799 are to be submitted, after Faculty Senate approval, to the Graduate Council for approval. Courses numbered 800-999 need only to be approved by the Graduate Council. All new programs are to be approved by the Faculty Senate and, if a new graduate program, the Graduate Council before submission to the Faculty Senate.

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After some discussion, Dr. Welch welcomed any motion from the floor during New Business to accept one of the three proposed amendments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Potter entertained a motion that the Faculty Senate consider (adopt) amended version number two for approval of new courses and programs. A friendly amendment was passed to delete the second sentence.

The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Heil moved to adjourn. Seconded by Dr. Zakrzewski. The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary W. Arbogast
Faculty Senate Secretary