

MINUTES - FACULTY SENATE MEETING - APRIL 4, 1990

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gunther J. Holst at 3:01 p.m.

I. Correction and Approval of Minutes

Secretary Silvernail made the following corrections:

1. Added on p. M-8 an item labeled "E. Scholastic Standards and Petitions Committee, Professor O. Brown, Chair: Brown noted the committee report was for the information of the Senate."

2. Changed on p. M-8 in item F to "Student Affairs Committee, Professor Conant, Chair:"

3. On p. M-9 under item G, added the word association following ... "change Russell R. Pate's...."

4. Noted that on p. M-9 the letter from Professor Bruce to Professor Gilchrist and answered by Professor Becker had inadvertently been left out. It will be attached to the Minutes of the April meeting. See Minutes of March 7, 1990 for Professor Becker's response.

5. On p. M-11 item I, change Faculty Advisory to Faculty Athletic.

Professor Howard-Hill (ENGL) corrected his statement on p. M-11 by deleting "bring a" following the word chairwoman.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

II. Reports of Officers

President James B. Holderman reported on two items.

1. Budget. The Senate Finance Committee is now considering the budget. He is "cautiously optimistic" they will at least partially rectify the situation as created by the House Ways and Means Committee and by the full House. The Senate is considering options that it has with respect toward alternate revenue sources.

Ancillary groups of USC have been treated to a review of our budgetary problem. Such groups including the University Associates and the Business Partnership Foundation are approaching the legislators on our behalf. We will continue to work with the budgetary process until the legislature goes home in early June. "None of us is happy with the budget as it currently stands."

2. Proposed Family Center. "This is a project that will be funded out of private funds if and when it develops. We are very optimistic that substantial private funds for that purpose will be provided." He noted that a Family Center would integrate the activities of at least eleven (11) colleges and departments of the University and is something that is attractive to others (private sources) and would be a "distinguishing characteristic of the University" if it indeed is possible.

Professor Smith (HIST) noted the newspaper article did not mention private funding.

Holderman said they left that part out of the quotation.

Smith was concerned that with the current budget situation people outside of the University would be confused when we say we do not have enough money and then talk about allocating several million dollars to the project.

Holderman said that question had not been raised at all to him. He did not think anybody expects us to stop planning or dreaming even if we are in a budgetary crunch.

Professor Marshall (GINT) asked about the Koger Center deficit.

Holderman, "let me tell you about that crazy deficit in the Koger Center. The deficit of \$300,000 includes \$266,440 of University use. So, the deficit is really about \$34,000 unless we want to charge the Music School or the Theatre Department for using the Center which is nutty."

The Carolina Research and Development Foundation is now considering paying off the rest of the debt. Anticipating a question from Professor Mack (ART), Holderman spoke to the funding for the construction of the Koger Center (Note: the following is a slightly edited statement.)

"This is a demonstration of the value of a private foundation. Originally, the Carolina Research and Development Foundation agreed to undertake the construction of the Koger Center with the understanding that the state would lease the building back for up to 8-10 years at \$800,000 a year. The city would contribute \$2m and the county originally started out talking about \$7m. That dropped to \$3.7m or \$3.75m by the time the county council got reducing it. Then we agreed that we would borrow the balance, because the Kogers contributed about \$4m, from the banks. The Carolina Research and Development Foundation would meet the obligations partially from the lease. We even got the state to loan us money, or give us lease payment, on a building that wasn't even out of the ground yet, which some people on the Budget and Control Board say is historic and will probably never happen again. But it happened and we've got several years

of lease payment.

The Koger gift is in two parts - \$2m in a unit trust, now accumulating some interest, which would become due upon the death of both of the Kogers. In the interim, the Carolina Research and Development Foundation has agreed to meet the obligations of the \$2m. We still have \$3 to \$4 million outstanding on the debt and the Carolina Research and Development Foundation is now considering whether or not it could out of its accrued resources pay off the entire debt, transfer the building to the University of South Carolina with no more lease payments, no more obligations on it, we would have it free and clear.

That is one of the great values of having an independent foundation which can do those kinds of things for us. We were able to construct it at a great saving. We spent \$15m, almost \$16m, on that building and if we had to do it again, it would probably cost us \$21-22m at least if we had to go out for bid. We had a negotiated contract on it but if we had to go out for bid through state procedures, it would have cost almost \$20m to start with. It is appraised now at considerably more than \$20m. It is a project that the foundation actually saved the state and taxpayers of South Carolina millions of dollars. The same is true of the Swearingen Building. They were able to pay off the building early and it has been transferred free and clear to the USC. The foundations have been tremendously helpful to us in that way and also in respect to research fellowships and scholarships. We now have about 3,000 scholarships a year and that is a tremendous advance from a year ago when we only had about 300 scholarships a year."

Provost Arthur K. Smith reported on the area of faculty development. A program called A Dialogue on Teaching was held in late March. It was intended for new faculty hired since 1987 and brought together, for the first time, seven previous winners of the Amoco Outstanding Teaching Award. It seemed to go over very well and there was a good exchange between the panelists and the audience. He hopes to be able to continue this in the future.

He then announced the winners of Instructional Innovation Grants. Between 30-40 proposals were received. Ten were recommended for funding by the screening committee of faculty members chaired by Associate Provost Forman. With the budget constraints, eight were funded with two on a waiting list to be funded if money becomes available. The announced winners were:

Professor Gregory Carbonne (GEOG), "Improvements in Meteorology Laboratory Instruction"

Professor Scott Goode (CHEM), "Development of Graphical Display Models in General Chemistry"

Professor Ralph Mathisen (HIST), "History, Biography and Society"

Professor Gloria Miller (PSYC), "An Advanced Course in the Ecological Study of Children"

Professors Dan Pessute and JoAnne Herman (NURS), "Learning Style and Teaching Strategy"

Professor Gerald Wallulis (PHIL), "Stories and Moral Imagination"

Professor Peter Walters (BADM), "Export Training Innovation for MIBS Students"

He hopes this will become an annual tradition. "The grants are modest, but they help us to keep in mind the priority that we all have to give to the importance of teaching and the quality of teaching."

III. Reports of Committees

[NOTE: Due to a malfunction of the audio system, large gaps in the taped recording occurred in covering questions and comments from the floor. The Minutes attempt to reflect the sense and actions of the Faculty Senate and do not record the true oratorical expertise of the body.]

A. Faculty Steering Committee, Professor Silvernail, Secretary:

Silvernail announced the results of the committee vacancies mail ballot elections.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Elected</u>
Honorary Degrees	Professor Nairn (GEOL) Professor Robinson (ART)
Faculty Advisory	Professor Kasakoff (ANTH) Professor Nolan (LAWS)
Athletic Advisory	Professor Bowman (GINT)

A mail runoff ballot between Professors Fryer (BADM) and Hornung (MEDC) for the remaining vacancy on Athletic Advisory has been sent out.

Silvernail also noted that a one year vacancy will occur on the Patent and Copyright Committee as Professor Shipley (LAWS) is leaving the University. The Faculty Senate Steering Committee is placing in nomination the name of Professor Richard Day (LAWS).

Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the May meeting.

He then introduced a resolution, received as a hand-out (Attachment A), from Faculty Senate Steering Committee. The resolution calls for an expression of concern over the pending inadequate level of funding. The resolution, if passed, would be sent to the state legislature.

Holst ruled this to be a non-substantive item and could be acted upon at this meeting. He then called for comments or questions.

Professor Filaseta (MATH) recommended the word "express" in the last paragraph be changed to "expresses".

Holst accepted the change as an editorial action.

Howard-Hill (ENGL) wanted to know if the "Faculty of the University of South Carolina" included just this campus or all campus faculties? If the latter, was the resolution being acted upon by all the respective Senates?

Holst said this represented the Columbia campus faculty.

Provost Smith noted that, if this passed, the letter of transmittal would make it clear it was from the Columbia campus.

Marshall (GINT) raised the question over the accuracy of the first paragraph. He felt we had in the past expressed concern over inadequate formula funding.

Professor Estes (BADM) moved to insert the word "formally" following the word "before" in the first paragraph. The motion to amend was not acted upon as discussion turned to the factual accuracy of the first paragraph.

Professor McNulty (MATH) moved to strike the offending paragraph. The vote sustained the move to strike paragraph one.

The resolution as amended was passed. Holst then asked the Provost to transmit the resolution with a cover letter and to indicate the vote was unanimous.

Provost Smith said he would do this.

B. Grade Change Committee, Professor Pauluzzi, Chair:

Pauluzzi moved the committee report. The report was approved.

C. Curriculum and Courses Committee, Professor L. Brown, Chair:

Brown noted the final committee meeting will be held the 4th of May. Material reviewed at that time will be presented at the Summer Senate meeting. He then moved item I of the report.

Professor Oakman (CSCI) questioned the "cavalier" use of the term "information system" in OADM 590. He moved that the course be withdrawn until further information was received concerning the course description. Following additional information from Brown and Professor Moody (CAPS), the motion to withdraw was withdrawn by Oakman. Item I was then accepted.

Brown made the following editorial changes before moving item II. P. A-5, add the word "Business" to the proposed curriculum title so that it reads "Business Information Systems". P. A-6, the To item should read "BADM 290. Computer Information Systems in Business." Item II was accepted with the changes.

Brown moved item III with the following editorial changes. P. A-7, EDSE 575, EDSE 576, and EDSE 577 should have removed from the prerequisite lines "secondary school foreign language teaching experience and also". Item III was accepted with the changes.

Items IV and V were moved and accepted as presented.

Brown withdrew CLIT 415 from item VI. He changed GEOG 595 prerequisite to "Contract approved by...." and item E to "Course Deletions" instead of "New Courses". Item VI was approved with the changes.

Items VII, VIII, IX and X were moved and accepted in separate actions.

D. Scholastic Standards and Petitions Committee, Professor O. Brown, Chair:

Professor Brown referred to the committee report and noted these were for the Senate's information. She made the editorial changes on P. A-16 and P. A-17 of replacing the term "Name" at the top of each form with the term "Student".

E. Faculty Welfare Committee, Professor Strobel, Chair:

Strobel said the committee report on Merit Pay was for the information of the faculty at this time. Faculty are urged to read it carefully and to discuss it fully. Action on the recommendations found in the report will take place at the May meeting. She then said the February committee report on Child Care would now be up for debate or discussion. She noted that the administration was, under Vice President, Jane Jameson, making progress on preparing a list of child care facilities in the five county area. A questionnaire has been prepared for mailing to these facilities and the returned

information would be available by early summer. The two recommendations in the committee report were:

1. That a list be made available, by the Personnel Department for faculty-staff-students, of day care centers in the area of the University.
2. That the University encourage the establishment of a private, third party day care provider near the university campus who would provide extended hours care.

Howard-Hill (ENGL) wanted to know who would monitor the provisions of the committee report? He spoke in favor of the University establishing a suitable day care center, perhaps along the lines of the Center in Booker T. Washington complex. He also emphasized the stake this institution has in maintaining or providing such a service in terms of the morale of its personnel.

Professor Green (ANTH) also spoke strongly in favor of Professor Howard-Hill's comments.

Strobel responded to the comments by noting that the quality of child care requested by Professor Howard-Hill would be very expensive and the responses to the questionnaire sent out by the task force indicated that very few people would pay that amount. This would mean that such a facility would have to be subsidized as a part of the fringe benefits provided by the University. It was the consensus of the Faculty Welfare Committee that until the University had a full cafeteria plan this option would be unfair to the full faculty and staff.

Green (ANTH) was of the opinion the benefits of such a child care facility would outweigh the liabilities that might be encountered. He urged Faculty Welfare Committee to take a strong positive position on the matter.

Professor Carlsson (BADM) asked what were we doing at the present time -- was there a motion on the floor?

Holst responded that we were discussing the committee report.

Howard-Hill (ENGL) asked if the Senate had voted on the committee recommendations?

Strobel said "no". That it had been the decision of Faculty Senate Steering Committee that there was nothing to vote on in regard to the report on child care.

Howard-Hill (ENGL) said he would like to make a motion on the child care report.

A discussion then ensued over the timing of such a motion.

McNulty (MATH) said that Professor Howard-Hill wanted to say something relevant to child care. We had not voted to adopt the committee report in February or March, yet the report went forward and is being acted upon without approval of the Senate.

Holst, as chair, ruled that a motion at this time would be substantive in nature and recommended that Professor Howard-Hill formulate a motion, in writing, which would then appear on the agenda for the next meeting.

Professors Hansen (ART) and McNulty (MATH) protested that it would be difficult to rule a motion substantive when it had not yet been presented.

Holst said the chair's action could be over-ruled by a vote of the Senate.

A motion to sustain the chair was heard. A majority did not vote to sustain the chair.

Holst said Professor Howard-Hill could present his motion under "New Business".

F. Student Affairs Committee, Professor Conant, Chair:

Conant said this committee would report at the next meeting.

G. Other Committee Reports.

1. Safety Committee, Professor Conant, Chair:

Conant asked that the Parking Committee review the policy and procedures relating to faculty and student parking in the Coliseum lot for class attendance when there were events in the Koger Center and/or Coliseum. He also noted that when the new Music Building is constructed additional parking problems will develop.

Holst said he would see that the Parking Committee was so instructed.

At this point, the call for a quorum was made. The Secretary counted the seats occupied in the center section and reported 49 seats were occupied. A quorum is one-half of 133 senators or 67 senators.

Professor Terracio (MEDC) pointed out that at the last Senate meeting only a fraction of the senators were here and we still voted. [Note: At the beginning of that meeting there were 88 senators present and 44 absent.]

Holst responded that no quorum call was made at that meeting and that he was bound by Roberts Rules. He informally suggested Professor Howard-Hill bring forth his motion at the next meeting.

Terracio said he would like to go on record [which technically did not exist at the time] "as saying it was a sneaky move". He also noted that the Senate does not have a quorum anytime a meeting goes beyond 4:00 p.m. "If I am here at 4:00 p.m., I will call the quorum."

Holst said that was his privilege.

The Senate disbanded at 4:24 p.m.

Note: The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be on Wednesday, May 2, 1990 immediately following the General Faculty meeting in the Belk Auditorium of the College of Business.