

MINUTES - FACULTY SENATE MEETING, September 2, 1987

The meeting was called to order at 3:31 PM by Chairman Rufus G. Fellers.

I. Correction and Approval of Minutes.

The minutes of 8 July 1987 were approved as presented.

II. Reports of Officers.

PROVOST BORKOWSKI welcomed the Faculty Senate to the new academic year. He noted plans to work with the new Budget Advisory Committee on expenditure and revenue levels during the forthcoming year. He asked if there were any questions from the floor.

PROFESSOR MACK (ART) inquired about state financial support for summer session.

BORKOWSKI stated that the Commission on Higher Education decided to move from an annual counting of FTE's to counting the fall alone for the purpose of establishing an institution's budget. He had protested this approach several months ago. We are concerned because of our production of graduate work in summer usually exceeds that in the spring. He noted that the cost of graduate production is high and the current alteration will cost us money. The Provost felt that our case has been made and we have been heard. He noted the change is only for the year 1988-89 and has reason to believe additional adjustments will be made to compensate us.

III. Reports of Committees.

A. Faculty Senate Steering Committee, Professor Silvernail, Secretary:

SILVERNAIL announced that the new Library Committee has met and Professor Owen Connelly (HIST) is the chairman. Faculty input concerning the library should be directed to the committee.

B. Grade Change Committee, Professor Sharp, Chair:

SHARP noted that the committee will confer with Faculty Advisory Committee concerning the situation involving NR grades. He then moved acceptance of the committee report. The report was accepted as distributed.

C. Curricula and Courses Committee, Professor Brown, Chair:

BROWN moved acceptance of the committee report with the changes in Section III B. from HEDU 453 and HEDU 553 to HPRE 453 and HPRE 553. The report was accepted with the changes.

D. Faculty Welfare Committee, Professor Howard-Hill, Chair:

HOWARD-HILL referred to the committee report on faculty salaries as for information only at this time. The committee's recommendations will be submitted at the October meeting. He noted that the primary documents utilized for the report are available for viewing in the Faculty Senate Office.

IV. Report of the Secretary.

SILVERNAIL reminded the Senate of the deadlines announced at the July meeting for inclusion of material in the minutes are fixed.

V. Unfinished Business.
None.

VI. New Business.
None.

VII. Good of the Order.

PROFESSOR SMITH (HIST) expressed interest in the newly formed Budget Advisory Committee and inquired as to when and how often the committee will meet and report to the Senate.

PROFESSOR HERR (BIOL) responded, as a committee member, by saying that the committee was in the process of formulating its procedures. He also noted that the committee has met and that the chairman is meeting with the Provost in an attempt to establish procedures which allow the committee to contribute to the budgeting process. The committee will not respond only to crisis situations but also will work at the priority establishing level.

VIII. Announcements.
None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.