

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

FACULTY SENATE MEETING

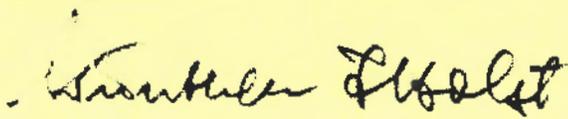
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Gunther J. Holst
Secretary

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The Faculty Senate meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert L. Felix. The minutes of the March 7th meeting were approved as distributed.

I. Reports of University Officers.

President James B. Holderman:

President Holderman distributed two documents to inform the Senate on the developing budgetary process. At the present time the Ways and Means Committee is supporting an \$11 million increase plus \$1.6 million in equipment monies. By next fall this would be increased on a sliding scale; for example, if the University has a 4.8% increase in enrollment this could mean \$2.5 million. Although the University is anticipating internally managing a \$3.2 million deficit, the Ways and Means Committee's recommendation gives us a good operating base.

Dr. Holderman stated that we have been able to make a case that the previous shortfalls and appropriations needed to be overcome -- 4-year campuses need to be brought to a funding level applicable to other four-year institutions. The present package would come close by bringing the 4-year campuses to about \$2500 per FTE. It raises the FTE funding level of two-year campuses to \$1800 and also provides better funding for the Columbia Campus to make us more comparable to other institutions with which we have to compete. Dr. Holderman added that the \$3.2 million deficit will be absorbed and accommodated by managing our resources economically and stringently.

Dr. Holderman called attention to the second document showing the supplemental appropriation request. (See attachment 2, p.7). He expressed his optimism regarding its treatment by the Ways and Means Committee, and his pleasure at the possibility of getting A.O. \$2 million for educational equipment and \$600,000 for library books for the Columbia Campus. The recommendation by the Budget and Control Board and the Commission on Higher Education is encouraging.

He further remarked that the salary package at the moment is about 6% with some flexibility in it. It is unknown whether the Senate will stick to the President's anti-inflation guidelines. The University will do everything possible to make a strong case for maximum salary increases within the guidelines that the legislature makes available.

II. Reports of Committees.

A. Grade Change Committee, Professor B. Theodore Cole, Chairman.

On behalf of the Grade Change Committee, Professor Cole moved for the approval of the committee's recommendations (Agenda, pp. 1-3). The recommendations were approved.

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President

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Grade Change
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Report of
Committee on
Curricula and
Courses

B. Committee on Curricula and Courses, Professor David H. Rembert Jr., Chairman:

On behalf of the Committee on Curricula and Courses, Chairman Rembert recommended the adoption of Section I, College of Business Administration, change in curriculum. The proposed wording on page 5 of the agenda should be amended as follows: "Two English courses selected from ENGL 281 through 290. One of these courses may be replaced by ENGL 452, 463, or THSP 140." Also on page 6, the proposed wording should read:

"Three courses from one of the following subject areas: . . . 9
Banking and Finance
Business Administration 412, 465, 469, 560
Economics 364"

Chairman Felix asked if there was any discussion.

Professor Jim Sloan, Sumter, said that he could not find ENGL 350 in the catalog.

Professor Rembert stated that it had been passed in mid-year and will be in the new catalog.

Professor Bruce Cantrell, English, said that he thought ENGL 350 was being renumbered 463. He added that he was not sure at what point in the process the change was.

Professor Rembert answered that it had not been before the committee.

Professor David Byrd, English, stated that it had already been approved.

Professor Rembert added that this change would be handled by the Catalog Committee.

Approval was given to the remainder of Section I, College of Business Administration, (Agenda, p. 8-11).

Professor Rembert asked for approval of Section II, College of Engineering, (Agenda, pp. 11-12).

It was pointed out that under ENGR 371 there were two descriptions under the heading "TO:".

Professor Rembert replied that this was a change in title, description and also separation of two courses.

Section II, College of Engineering, was approved.

Chairman Rembert presented for approval the recommendations under Section III, College of Humanities and Social Sciences. He added that Section A should be considered an independent item and that the word "Delete" should be added above the section "Interdepartmental Major" and

the word "Add" placed above the section "Interdisciplinary Studies," the page number should be U134. On page 5 under Basic Program Requirements for Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies, General Education Requirements the page number should be changed from 101 to 103. Recommendation was approved as amended.

Chairman Rembert then asked for approval of Sections B thru H under the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Recommendation was approved.

Section IV, College of Nursing and Section V, College of Science and Mathematics was approved.

Chairman Rembert noted that Section VII, Experimental Courses, was for the Senate's information only.

Recommendation Concerning Remedial Course Work Professor Rembert then presented the Committee's recommendation concerning remedial course work which had been presented for notification at the March Senate meeting. The recommendation states that "All university courses numbered 100 and lower shall be considered to be remedial in nature. Such remedial courses shall be taken pass-fail, and the credit hours received upon successful completion shall not be counted toward a baccalaureate degree."

Chairman Felix asked if there was any other committee reporting on this item of business.

Professor Robert J. Carlsson, Chairman of the Academic Forward Planning Committee, called the Senate's attention to the statement on page 20 of the agenda. He said that the Academic Forward Planning Committee felt that there is currently faculty control over curricula and courses via the Committee on Curricula and Courses, the Senate and the faculty. The Committee considered alternatives to existing academic legislative policies including curricula and courses but did not find anything superior to the current procedures. The Academic Forward Planning Committee urged the Senate to reaffirm its confidence in faculty committees and the faculty itself by voting against the motion.

Chairman Felix asked if any other committees would like to report to the matter.

Chairman H. R. Noland, Faculty Advisory Committee, stated that his committee had been discussing this matter separately when they had received a copy of Academic Forward Planning Committee's statement. He said that the Faculty Advisory Committee supports the Academic Forward Planning Committee's statement rather than submitting a separate one.

Recommendation Defeated Chairman Felix asked if there were any other reports by committees or officers. There being no further discussion he then asked for approval of the recommendation. The proposal was defeated.

C. Steering Committee, Professor Robert L. Felix, Chairman:

On behalf of the Steering Committee, Chairman Felix announced that Professor John L. Safko, Physics and Astronomy, and Professor John N. Gardner, General Studies were elected to the Committee on Curricula and Courses.

D. Faculty Advisory Committee, Professor Hugh R. Noland, Chairman:

On behalf of the Faculty Advisory Committee, Professor Noland presented a new description for the Admissions Committee which had been prepared jointly by the Admissions and Faculty Advisory Committee and also a description for the Scholastic Standards and Petitions Committee. He said the principle change in the Scholastic Standards and Petitions Committee was redefining the formation of the committee to be the same as other standing committees. The committee will consist of six elected members rather than the 18-man committee presently elected by individual colleges. The rationale is that the committee's function has changed considerably since the adoption of individual college committees. Its primary function is a policy-making and procedures committee rather than acting on petitions submitted by students. These recommendations will be voted on at the next meeting.

III. Secretary's Report.

Secretary Gunther J. Holst asked all departments to elect new senators to fill vacancies and to submit their names to the Faculty Senate Office.

IV. Unfinished Business - None.

V. New Business - None.

VI. Good of the Order - None.

VII. Announcements.

Chairman Felix stated that the Steering Committee will be making appointments to the Faculty Senate committees and would appreciate any suggestions.

The chair entertained a motion to recess* until the time immediately following the General Faculty meeting scheduled for May 2nd at 3 o'clock. Motion to recess was seconded.

*Since the business of this meeting had been completed, the proper style for the motion would have been to "adjourn until a meeting immediately following the General Faculty meeting, etc. . . ." Noted by Chairman.