THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
FACULTY SENATE MEETING
- MINUTES: December 6, 1978 -

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Gunther J. Holst
Secretary
December 19, 1978
The Faculty Senate meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert L. Felix.

Chairman Felix called for consideration of the minutes of November 1, 1978. The minutes were approved as distributed.

I. REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

A. President James B. Holderman:

President Holderman stated that a number of University Committees have been involved in the preparation of Carolina Plan II which will be submitted to the Board of Trustees on Friday, December 8th. The plan will be subject to discussion and changes, but it is hoped that it will be adopted by the Board the same day. It will be made available to the faculty as soon as possible.

The principle objective of the plan is to delineate the scope and mission of the University in fairly broad terms with a view toward a more specific scope and mission statement at the conclusion of the master planning process of the Commission on Higher Education.

President Holderman, referring to the handout on the Requests for State Capital Improvement Bonds (Attachment 1), said that deferment by the Commission on Higher Education of over $18 million worth of capital requests from USC was a serious move. The Commission based the deferment on the moratorium pending the completion of the masterplan. In so doing they have entirely overlooked the exemption clause which allows them to make exceptions for urgent local needs. The Committee did approve $250,000 in planning money for the Carolina Art Center and a $250,000 request to finish the multi-media complex on the Spartanburg Campus. The Committee deferred everything else including projects at Salkehatchie and Union which had already been authorized and were merely completions.

President Holderman continued that the problem is further complicated by an escalation figure of 18% which would add approximately $3 million to the total cost. Furthermore none of the projects are program related but are all growth related and therefore not affected by the masterplanning process with the possible exception of the Business Administration addition on the Columbia Campus. Yet all of them have been deferred pending completion of a masterplan.

Dr. Holderman added that over 400 people are involved in the masterplanning process. The first section of the draft will be presented to the Commission in early spring. Public hearings will be held across the state in which the University will be fully involved. It is conceivable that the University may not agree with everything that is recommended. The plan is to be adopted in the fall and submitted to the Legislature. The University has approximately twenty-six or twenty-eight people working on the Task Force of 400 which means that we are substantially under-represented. Dr. Burkowski is coordinating the process for the University.

Dr. Holderman reported that the question of salary increases for next year is still somewhat uncertain. Applications for admissions have increased by 14%. At this point the University has admitted 1100 freshmen on priority admission with an average SAT score of 1130.

II. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

A. Grade Change Committee, Professor William R. Folks, Chairman:

On behalf of the Grade Change Committee, Professor William R. Folks, asked for approval of the committee's recommendations. (Agenda, pp. 1-2). The recommendations of the committee were approved.

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

Chairman Rembert asked that the following statement be added under Section I, College of Business Administration to "BADM 660 Not open to business administration and economic majors.")"

Professor Rembert then recommended for adoption Section I, College of Engineering and II, College of Business Administration as amended. Sections I and II were approved.

He then asked for approval of Section III, College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Section III was adopted.
Professor Rembert introduced Section IV, College of Science and Mathematics and Section V, College of Social Work for the Senate's approval.

Professor Jack Hand, Psychology, asked what the purpose was in changing the description for SOWK 521, interviewing.

Professor Frank Raymond, SOWK, stated that he understood the course to be an overview of the major principles, concepts and methods of interviewing. The course content will not be changed. He added that the change in description was done merely to eliminate unnecessary wording.

Professor Hand added that the reason he asked was because interviewing is such a broad term which includes principles, concepts and practices. He then asked if it had been cleared with any department that would have an interest in interviewing or which may teach a course that could be considered interviewing.

Professor Rembert said he could not recall receiving any letters nor did the committee feel it was necessary.

Professor Hand said he would object to the course because he was sure there were courses in QSTD, Psychology and other departments concerned with interviewing. He said his objection was based on the grounds that the description was now more generalized. He did not object to the College of Social Work teaching a course in interviewing but that at some later date another department may want to offer a course in their discipline. In order to do this they would then have to clear it with Social Work, whereas if it were limited in scope, this would eliminate some of the administrative procedures involved in getting a course approved.

Professor Rembert asked Dr. Hand if his comments were relative to the description only.

Dr. Hand answered affirmatively. He then moved that this course be removed from the report.

Professor John Safko, Physics and Astronomy, asked if it was not a matter of practice to consider the items separately. Don't we usually just separate it if asked for?

Professor Felix asked if there was a second to the motion.

Motion was seconded. The chair ruled the motion in order and interpreted it as a motion to remove from the consideration of items IV and V the matter of the change in number, hours and description for SOWK 521.

Professor Raymond added that he was sure the College of Social Work had no objections to using the original wording. He said the college just wanted to change the course number and was not concerned with changing the description.

The chair asked the Senate to vote on the motion to remove SOWK 521, interviewing from Section V of the report. Motion passed by a vote of 45 to 31.

Chairman Felix then asked for approval of Section IV, College of Science and Mathematics and Section V, College of Social Work as amended. Sections IV and V were approved as amended.

Professor Rembert asked to re-introduce the course. The chair ruled him out of order.

Professor Rembert pointed out that the experimental courses on the handout (Attachment 2, p. 10) were for the Senate's information only. These courses could be taught for the spring semester only and in order to be taught as regular courses they will have to be submitted to the committee.

Chairman Rembert made an additional comment relative to the advising period in the spring for courses to be offered in summer school and the fall. He reminded the Senate that courses cannot be taught until they have passed the committee and the Senate to be included in the newspaper schedule of classes. Requests from the Registrar's Office were sent out on December 5 and are due back by January 30th. The proof for the Summer School Schedule will be due February 15th. This means any course to be taught in summer school which has not come before the committee needs to be submitted to the committee prior to January 20th, in order to appear on the February Senate agenda.

Professor Rembert added that the request from the Registrar's Office for fall courses would be sent to all departments on the 22nd of January and are due back on the 28th of February. The proofs for the Fall newspaper schedule of classes will be ready on February 15th. The March Senate meeting is the last time the Senate can act on courses to be included for the fall semester.

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

Chairman Felix called the Senate's attention to page 8 of the agenda, a list of current Faculty Senate Committees which did not appear with the list of University Committees which was circulated recently.

He announced that at the February Faculty Senate meeting the committee will ask the Senate to amend the Faculty Manual to add the chairman of the Committee on Scholastic Standing and Petitions to the Steering Committee.

Chairman Felix called attention to the proposed nominations on page 8 to fill vacancies on faculty committees. Nominations from the floor will be entertained under item 5 of the agenda.
Chairman Felix added that Professor Hard Briggs, Foreign Languages, was elected chairman of the Bookstore Committee.

Report of Faculty Advisory Committee, Professor J. Hubert Noland, Chairman:

Professor Noland presented for the Senate’s information a proposed change in University Regulations concerning withdrawal from courses. The procedure stated below will be voted on at the February Faculty Senate meeting after the Scholastic Standing and Petitions Committee has considered it relative to changing the grade notation for withdrawal procedure so that during the first six weeks the student who withdraws would receive a grade of W on his transcript.

"Withdrawal from a course during the late registration period will not be recorded on the student’s permanent record.

During the first six weeks of a semester a student may withdraw from a course and receive a grade of W after consultation with his advisor and the instructor concerned."

He added that the wording of the resolution is still subject to some change.

Professor Saiko asked in regard to the statement “after consultation with his advisor and instructor concerned” if any mechanics had been considered to ensure discussion with the instructor.

Professor Noland answered that several suggestions have been made to make that request a procedure which would vary with departments. The wording might merely say “by submitting a change of schedule form with the appropriate signatures.”

I. Faculty Welfare Committee, Professor Ernest Furchtgott, Chairman:

Report of Faculty Welfare Committee:

Chairman Furchtgott reported that an ad hoc subcommittee, heldersman in the fall for changes in the retirement system. This document supports: (1) enactment of legislation to reduce the vesting period to five years; (2) enactment of legislation to guarantee cost of living increases in benefits; (3) revising employer procedures for implementation of those cases which require statutory authority legislation and (4) submission of a ruling to the Internal Revenue Service to clarify whether employee’s contributions can or cannot be deducted under a new tax law.
III. Secretary's Report - None

IV. Nominations

Professor Felix announced the following nominations to fill vacancies on committees:

Curricula and Courses Committee
John MacNicholas, English - replacement for Tom Rice (spring 1979)

Patent and Copyright Committee
Harvey Silverstein, Government & International Studies - to complete the term of Eugene Hardin (1980)

Grievance Committee
Elchanan Cohn, Business Administration - replacement for Oliver Wood (spring 1979)

He asked for nominations from the floor and added that nominations would remain open until the end of the meeting.

Professor Peter Werner, Health and Physical Education, nominated Richard Hohn, Health and Physical Education, to the Grievance Committee. Nomination was seconded.

V. Unfinished Business - None.

VI. New Business.

Discussion of Grading Systems
Professor Mack Rood, Government and International Studies, questioned the need for four different grading systems (undergrad, graduate, Medical School and Law School) at the University. He asked that the matter be referred to committee for study on an appropriate common grading system if such is possible.

Professor Felix said the matter would be referred to the proper committee, presumably the Academic Standing and Petitions Committee with some attention perhaps from the Faculty Advisory Committee.

VII. Announcements - None.

Chairman Felix asked if there were any further nominations. There being none he stated that since one of the proposed nominations was contested a faculty-wide election will be held. He added that Professors MacNicholas and Silverstein were unopposed and therefore elected to their respective committees.

Motion to Adjourn
There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 4:45.

ATTACHMENT 1.

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Requests for State Capital Improvement Funds, 1979-80

Commission on Higher Education Action, November 10, 1978

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Situation over U.S.C. State Capital Improvement Bonds

1979-80

Arising from Commission on Higher Education Action of November 10, 1978

As will be seen, the Commission on Higher Education action of November 10, 1978, mandates a long list of deferrals of University projects throughout the system, the total sum involved being $18,116,000. The University believes that all of the projects can be justified under the provisions of "urgent local need." In order to give additional emphasis to the overall seriousness of the delays, it should be pointed out that the escalation of costs at 12 percent per annum would add $2,173,000 to the total; an escalation figure of 18 percent per annum would add $3,260,880 per annum.
ATTACHMENT 2.

For information of the Senate -(courses will be taught spring 1979 only):

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

ENGR 500X INTRODUCTORY BIOMECHANICS. (3) (Prereq: ENGR 306 or equivalent)
Applications of engineering concepts and analytical techniques to medical problems. Topics include equilibrium, vibratory motion, stress and deformation, material properties, flow of fluids, modeling of biological systems and illustrative examples from medicine.

ENGR 509X CHEMICAL ENGINEERING FLUID MECHANICS. (3) (Prereq: ENGR 306)
Chemical engineering fluid mechanics covering single and multi-phase pressure drop in process equipment, phase contacting, Darcy's law, flow through porous media, fluidization, introductions to rheology, mixing, and turbulence.

ENGR 551X ELEMENTS OF WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS. (3)
(Prereq: ENGR 317, 318) An introduction to the unit operations and processes employed in the physical, chemical, and biological treatment of water and wastewater. Application of unit operations and processes in design of water and wastewater treatment plants.

ENGR 552X SANITARY ENGINEERING LABORATORY. (3) (Prereq: ENGR 317, coreq: ENGR 551) Physical, chemical, and biological analysis of and wastewater. One lecture period and six laboratory hours per week.

ENGR 572X ELECTRONIC ANALOG SYSTEMS. (3) (Prereq: ENGR 371 or consent of instructor) A study of the techniques used to process analog signals. Topics covered include characteristics of operational amplifiers, linear and non-linear circuit applications of operational amplifiers, active filters, multiplexors, sample-hold devices, A/D, D/A converters, and waveform generators.

COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM

JOUR 534X ADVANCED RADIO & TELEVISION WRITING AND REPORTING. (3)
(Prereq: JOUR 334 or JOUR 335, or JOUR 336) An intensive practicum for advanced journalism students in electronic newsgathering, reporting and presentation. Designed as a realistic newsroom situation for persons intending to work in radio and television news.