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Kutztown, Pennsylvania

MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

February 1, 1996

The meeting was called to order by M. Stewart at 4:05 p.m. in the Meeting/Dining Room of the Student Union Building.

Present: Okan Akcay, Alan Apple, Len Barish, Eric Beaven, Cheryl Wilf for Gary Brey, Carl Brunner, Biruta Cap, Dan Cates, Charles Clark, Joanne Cohen, Richard Collings, Margaret Devlin, Dennis Dietrich, Percy Dougherty, Joseph Elias, John Erdmann, Ruth Fisher, Robert Gray, Russell Gross, James Hall, Beth Herbine, Gerard Innocenti, Sally Knappenberger, Lisa Ladd-Kidder, Joseph Lippincott, Kathy Lynch, Kevin McCloskey, Carol Mapes, Albert Margolis, Richard Morrison, Lisa Norris, Bette Reagan, Mildred Reilley, Randy Schaeffer, Thomas Seay, Neil Shea, Margaret Kantner for Judith Smith, Marilyn Stewart, Ronald Stoffey, Samuel Westmoreland, Barth Yeboah.

Absent: Steven Andelin, Vera Brancato, Joseph Carroll, Roberta Crisson, Kanchan Kumar, Renard Sacco, Tania Santiago, Gary Weatherspoon, Susan Willis.

Others in Attendance: Allan Back, Sandra Hammann, Morris Perinchief, William Towne.

I. Announcements

M. Stewart announced that E. Beaven will serve as parliamentarian for the current meeting.

M. Stewart announced that a proposed General Education Model was approved by the University Curriculum Committee and will be presented to the Senate in the near future.

M. Stewart indicated that willingness-to-serve forms for Senators from the professional and administrative staff have been distributed.

M. Stewart announced that President McFarland will be forwarding a suggestion to the Distinguishing Visiting Professorships and Honorary Degree Committee that a speaker be brought on campus each semester.

II. Approval of the Agenda

E. Beaven moved, C. Wilf seconded, to amend the Agenda by moving Old Business from Item V to Item IV. The motion passed.

E. Beaven moved, T. Seay seconded, to approve the Agenda as amended. The motion passed.

III. Approval of Minutes of December 7, 1995

R. Schaeffer moved, M. Reilley seconded, to approve the Minutes of December 7, 1995. The motion passed.

IV. Old Business

A. Grade Reporting Proposal

W. Towne, chairperson of the Senate ad hoc committee appointed to discuss the dissemination of information on grades to faculty, explained the contents and answered questions regarding the proposal.

B. Herbine moved, T. Seay seconded, to adopt the grade reporting policy as proposed by the Senate ad hoc committee.

C. Mapes moved, L. Ladd-Kidder seconded, to amend the motion by deleting Column 1 and all language pertaining thereto. The motion failed.

The motion to approve the policy regarding dissemination of information on grades to faculty failed.

V. Committee and Task Force Reports

A. Academic Standards and Policy Committee

A. Back, chairperson of the Academic Standards and Policy Committee, distributed recommendations from the committee relative to criteria for course offerings during Break Session. Senators were asked to discuss this proposed policy with members of their departments.

B. Committee on Committees

M. Stewart announced that willingness-to-serve forms for the new Grade Appeal Board have been distributed to the five colleges on campus.

C. Constitution Review Ad Hoc Committee - Final Reading and Vote Regarding Amendments to the Constitution of the University Senate

L. Ladd-Kidder moved, S. Westmoreland seconded, to approve the amendments to the Constitution of the University Senate in accordance with the recommendations as set forth by the Constitution Review Ad Hoc Committee. The motion passed.

L. Ladd-Kidder moved, B. Herbine seconded, that the amendments should take effect in September 1996. The motion passed.

D. Strategic Planning and Resources Committee

M. Perinchief, chairperson of the Strategic Planning and Resources Committee, distributed an updated mission statement and bylaws for the Strategic Planning and Resources Committee.

E. Research Committee

1. Proposed Integrity in Research Policy

S. Hammann gave background information on the proposed Integrity in

Research Policy and answered questions relative to the policy.

G. Innocenti moved, M. Devlin seconded, to approve the proposed Integrity in Research Policy. The motion passed.

2. Proposed Conflict of Interest in Research Policy


S. Hammann gave background information on the proposed Conflict of Interest in Research Policy and answered questions relative to the policy.


G. Innocenti moved, M. Devlin seconded, to approve the proposed Conflict of Interest in Research Policy. The motion passed.

VII. Adjournment

L. Norris moved, L. Barish seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.


Marilyn G. Stewart, President


Kathy M. Lynch, Secretary

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