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Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
Kutztown, Pennsylvania

Minutes of the Faculty Senate
February 4, 1988

Chairperson Schellenberg called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Present were: C. Arnold, W. Bateman, P. Briere, W. Brumm, A. Chasse, H. Clinton, D. Dietrich, B. Firestone, Peggy Garrett, Philip Garrett, J. George, R. Gray, A. Gundry, J. Hall, D. Hinkel, K. Holland, G. Innocenti, L. Jensen, J. Kulp, P. Laincz, J. Landis, G. Layser, S. Lipp, A. McKinley, K. Meyer, K. Neyhart, D. Peterson, I. Prokup, T. Quirk, R. Reinecke, M. Renzema, J. Richards, J. Schellenberg, B. Scott, T. Sexton, M. St. John, R. Watrous, M. Weil for E. Kern, R. Wells, R. Whitcomb, L. Woods, R. Ziegenfus.

Others in attendance were: A. Barndt, S. Justham, R. Crooker, L. Sprankle, P. Dougherty, L. Shay, K. Dougherty, C. Orr.

I. Agenda

T. Sexton moved, seconded by R. Watrous, the approval of the agenda. The motion passed.

II. Announcements

J. Schellenberg announced that J. Simone Hohe has resigned from the Student/Faculty Committee on Student Affairs. Dr. Wittman has requested that Faculty Senate recommend a substitute. Any interested Senators or other faculty should notify J. Schellenberg.

J. Schellenberg read a memo from Dean Kohut which discussed the "Revised Requirements for Admission to Teacher Certification Programs." Approval of the revision by the University Curriculum Committee and Faculty Senate was waived because the revision is strictly related to accreditation standards of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

M. St. John announced that a consulting firm has been hired to develop a profile of institutional needs which will be presented to the Presidential search committee. Representatives of the firm will be on campus on Thursday, February 11, and Friday, February 12. On February 11, at 11:00 a.m. there will be an open meeting in the library auditorium. On February 12, at 9:00 a.m., the representatives will be meeting with faculty leaders; any 5 interested Faculty Senators may submit their names to J. Schellenberg or I. Prokup if they wish to attend this meeting.

III. Minutes

Peggy Garrett moved, seconded by R. Ziegenfus, the approval of the minutes of December 3, 1987. The motion passed.

IV. Old Business

R. Whitcomb moved, seconded by G. Layser, the approval of the Memorial Statement to Dr. Lawrence Stratton. The motion passed.

R. Ziegenfus moved, seconded by P. Laincz, to remove the following from the table for approval:

GEG 1XX Geography of South America (88-21)
GEG 1XX Geography of Central America and Caribbean
(88-22)

The following people addressed the motion: R. Ziegenfus, G. Innocenti, S. Justham, L. Sprankle, A. McKinley.

A. McKinley moved, seconded by J. Hall to table the motion. The motion failed with 15 in favor, and 20 opposed.

The motion passed 21-14.

P. Laincz moved, seconded by C. Arnold, the approval of the Proposed Policy - Plus/Minus Grading.

G. Innocenti moved, seconded by R. Ziegenfus, to table the motion for consideration by the Faculty Senate Committee on Academic Affairs. The motion passed.

V. Standing Committee Reports

P. Laincz moved, seconded by T. Sexton, the approval of the Revision of Minor Program in Biology (88-40). The motion passed.

P. Laincz moved, seconded by R. Ziegenfus, the approval of the following:

GEG 3XX Plant Geography (88-25)
GEG 3XX/4XX Vegetation of North America (88-26)

J. Schellenberg moved, seconded by R. Ziegenfus, to amend the motion to add under Course Description that these courses be allowed to count only in General Education, Category IV-D (Natural Science Elective), Category V (Liberal Arts Electives), or any area where free electives are allowed.

The following people addressed the motion: R. Ziegenfus, J. Schellenberg, S. Justham, T. Sexton, M. St. John.

The motion to amend passed.

The main motion passed as amended.

M. Renzema reviewed the Proposed Modification of Course Repeat Policy. A. Barndt addressed the proposed policy. Action on the proposal will be taken at the March Faculty Senate meeting.

R. Whitcomb moved, seconded by J. Landis, the approval of the revised Academic Grievance Policy. The following people addressed the motion: R. Whitcomb, C. Arnold, P. Laincz, G. Innocenti, M. Renzema, R. Ziegenfus, A. Gundry, T. Sexton, A. Barndt, C. Orr, A. McKinley, D. Peterson, K. Meyer, J. Hall, S. Lipp, J. Schellenberg.

G. Innocenti moved, seconded by T. Sexton, that if the policy is approved by the Faculty Senate, the document should be sent to the faculty-at-large for a vote. The following people addressed the motion: M. Renzema, A. Gundry, A. McKinley. The motion passed.

The main motion passed as amended.

There was no report from the Faculty Senate Committee on Student Affairs.

VI. New Business

H. Clinton moved, seconded by D. Peterson, the approval of the addition of the following statement to the University Mission:

Within available resources, provide appropriate services for businesses, industries, government, health, and other organizations.

J. Hall addressed the motion.

L. Woods moved, seconded by D. Peterson, to amend the motion to add "appropriate" after "other." The motion passed.

The main motion passed as amended.

M. St. John moved, seconded by H. Clinton, the endorsement of the Strategic Initiatives for University Planning. The following people addressed the motion: J. Landis, M. St. John, A. Barndt, G. Innocenti, Philip Garrett.

J. Landis moved, seconded by G. Innocenti, to amend the motion to add under 4. Institutional Advancement, "4.5 Community Relations Pursue and maintain positive relationships with the surrounding community." The motion

passed.

The main motion passed as amended, with Philip Garrett opposed.

VII. Adjournment

C. Arnold moved, seconded by H. Clinton, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



John Schellenberg, Chairperson



Ilene Prokup, Secretary

KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY

The Faculty Senate

MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

Lawrence M. Stratton: 1928-1987

The death of Dr. Lawrence M. Stratton on October 29, 1987 marks the end of an era of unparalleled accomplishments. Dr. Stratton served as President of Kutztown University for some eighteen years during a remarkable period of growth. His passing now enables us to put into proper perspective the wide-ranging array of notable achievements that occurred under his leadership. Our institution is most assuredly a better place for his having been among us.

During his tenure the University experienced a phenomenal growth both in physical plant and academic programs. Dr. Stratton worked hard to insure that the burgeoning university community would be adequately housed and equipped. During the Stratton era, Keystone Hall, a multipurpose field house was completed, and a fine arts wing added to the Sharadin Studio complex. The Lytle Humanities Building was constructed, and the Beekey Education Center opened. A new administration building was finished, and Bonner Hall, one of the largest residence halls on the campus, was built. Residences were converted into the Spanish and Victoria Houses. The old Bear's Den was renovated and reopened as the John B. White House for international students. Improvements were made to the Old Main Building, the Graduate Center, and to the old gymnasium, now known as Risley Hall. The most recent development was the purchase and renovation of Professor Sharadin's former home to become the Wiesenberger Alumni Building. During the last year of his life, plans were going forward for a new residence hall and expansion of the field house and stadium.

One of the continuing frustrations of his presidency was the constant need to battle the bureaucracy in Harrisburg, most especially the Department of ~~GENERAL~~ Services, as well as gubernatorial vetoes of much needed capital programs. Whatever difficulties arose through the years, Dr. Stratton persisted and pushed for needed additions to the physical facility.

As impressive as these achievements have been to the physical structure of the institution, they were exceeded by a remarkable proliferation of new academic programs. When Dr. Stratton became president in the fall of 1969, the academic framework of the institution was not significantly different from what it had been for decades. During his years in the presidency, the institution was transformed from a teacher-training institution to a legitimate multipurpose university. The present colleges of education, arts and sciences, visual and performing arts, business, and graduate studies were established. New undergraduate programs in business, speech correction, nursing, related arts, computer and information science, criminal justice, medical technology, public administration, telecommunications, and marine science were added.

Graduate-level programs in English, mathematics, biology, history and public administration were inaugurated. The University offered its first formal continuing education program in January, 1974. A graduate program in telecommunications began in the fall of 1983. Indeed, the telecommunications facility would grow during his tenure into one of the finest of its type in the Commonwealth.

Under his leadership, a campus-based computer center and a counseling and development studies center were instituted. An office to coordinate efforts to recruit and retain minority students was established.

Dr. Stratton was a kind and unassuming man who strongly believed in people. While the tempest of retrenchment was swirling about the state colleges in the 1970s and early 1980s, he made it known on more than one occasion that there would never be retrenchment at Kutztown University. The dignity and integrity of the faculty was always foremost in his mind. It is also worth noting that, in the end, he came to the realization that collective bargaining was truly in the best interests of his faculty, and strongly supported it.

Gentleman, dedicated professional, loyal servant of Kutztown University, Lawrence M. Stratton leaves a rich legacy of achievement for his successors to build upon.

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