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MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

February 6, 1997

The meeting was called to order by R. Crisson at 4:03 p.m. in the Room 223 of the Student Union Building.

Present: Okan Akcay, Steven Andelin, Deborah Barlieb, Eric Beaven, Eileen Prokup for Vera Brancato, Carl Brunner, Biruta Cap, Dan Cates, Charles Clark, Joanne Cohen, Roberta Crisson, Margaret Devlin, Percy Dougherty, Joseph Elias, Lisa Ladd-Kidder for John Erdmann, Allan Chasse for Linda Goldberg, Russell Gross, Venu Gupta, James Hall, Beth Herbine, Gerard Innocenti, Kimberly Keenan, Sally Knappenberger, David Laubach, Joseph Lippincott, Kevin McCloskey, Jason McGhin, Carol Mapes, Lisa Norris, Elaine Reed, Mildred Reilley, Charles Roth, John Schellenberg, Brian Schneck, Judith Shea, Neil Shea, Jean Mae Smith, Fred Garman for Judith Smith, Joann Spencer, Samuel Westmoreland, John White, Barth Yeboah.

Absent: Alan Apple, Len Barish, Gary Brey, Albert Margolis, Richard Morrison, Randy Schaeffer, Michael Spencer, Joseph Thomas.

Also in Attendance: Morris Perinchief.

I. Announcements

R. Crisson announced that since P. Devlin's reporting structure has not changed relative to her temporary position on campus, there is no problem as to her position as vice-president of the Senate.

R. Crisson announced that willingness-to-serve forms for Senators from Administrative and Professional Staff have been distributed.

R. Crisson reminded Senate members about the procedures for having items placed on the Agenda.

II. Approval of the Agenda

J. Schellenberg moved, E. Reed seconded, to amend the Agenda by postponing Item A. under Old Business, General Education, Approval of Recommendations Passed by the Committee as a Whole, until such time as we receive a report from the University Curriculum Committee. The motion passed.

B. Herbine moved, G. Innocenti seconded, to approve the Agenda as amended. The motion passed.

III. Approval of Minutes of December 5, 1996

E. Beaven moved, L. Ladd-Kidder seconded, to approve the Minutes of December 5, 1996. The motion passed.

IV. Committee and Task Force Reports

A. Middle States Steering Committee

S. Andelin reported that the self-study teams have until the end of February to submit interim reports. He reported on the progress of the self-study teams.

B. Committee on Committees

P. Devlin reported that the committee has distributed revised guidelines to committee chairs. She further reported that the Committee on Committees is presently reviewing committee structures.

There was concern expressed about how task forces created on campus are integrated into the governance structure. There was also concern expressed about the creation of task forces as opposed to using committees already in existence.

R. Crisson indicated that she would look into these concerns and report back to the Senate.

C. Strategic Planning and Resources Committee

M. Perinchief reported on the present work being done by the Strategic Planning and Resources Committee.

V. New Business

A. Proposed Changes to Grade Appeal Policy

G. Innocenti, E. Beaven seconded, to accept the proposed changes to the Grade Appeal Policy.

J. Cohen, chairperson of the Grade Appeal Board, presented the proposed changes and answered questions relative to the proposal.

G. Innocenti moved, S. Westmoreland seconded, to table discussion of the changes in order to return the proposal to the Grade Appeal Board for further review. The motion passed.

VI. Adjournment

C. Clark moved, L. Ladd-Kidder seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.



Roberta L. Crisson, President



Lisa A. Norris, Secretary