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Kutztown University
Kutztown, Pennsylvania

MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE
March 5, 1992

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by D. Valuska at 4:05 p.m. in the Wiesenberger Alumni Center.

Present: Margaret M. Apostolos, William E. Bateman, Floyd H. Stauffer for Gary B. Brey, James F. L. Carroll, Marilyn G. Stewart for Richard J. Collings, Robert Covington, Roberta L. Crisson, Mark K. Dinger, Edward W. Evans, Gordon J. Goldberg, Dale Titus for Daniel J. Hinkel, Kathy M. Lynch, Edwin E. Nieves, David R. Peterson, Michael F. Piovane, Timothy C. Running, Thomas A. Sanelli, David L. Valuska, David D. Wagaman.

Absent: Ruth D. Fisher, Linda K. Goldberg, James M. Hvidding, John P. Schellenberg, Carol J. Teske, Shawn Young.

Also in Attendance: Stephen Hoffert.

II. Announcements

A. Center for Teaching Excellence

M. Stewart reported on the first meeting held by the committee formed to study the feasibility of establishing a Center for Teaching Excellence.

III. Approval of the Agenda

E. Nieves moved, M. Apostolos seconded, to approve the Agenda.

W. Bateman moved, D. Wagaman seconded, to amend the Agenda by placing the pamphlet "Drugs, Alcohol and You" under Item B of New Business. The motion passed.

The Agenda was approved as amended.

IV. Approval of the Minutes of February 6, 1992

E. Evans moved, E. Nieves seconded, to approve the Minutes of February 6, 1992. The motion passed.

V. Committee Reports

A. Committee on Committees

1. Final Vote on Amendment to Constitution - Committee Changes

W. Bateman moved to approve the final reading of the amendment to the Constitution of the University Senate to reflect the following changes to the listing of committees under Article VI. Reporting Committees, Section A. Reporting Committees Which Report to the University Senate:

Name Change: Distinguished Visiting Professorships and Honorary Degree replaces Distinguished Visiting Faculty and Honorary Degree;

Committee Substitution: Enrollment Management replaces Student Retention;

Two Committees Merged: Strategic Planning and Resources is the result of a merger of Strategic Planning and Budget and Facilities.

The motion passed.

2. Graduate Exceptions Committee

W. Bateman moved to add the Dean of Academic Services to the structure of the Graduate Exceptions Committee.

M. Stewart moved, J. Carroll seconded, to amend the motion by replacing the Director of Extended Learning with the Dean of Academic Services.

E. Evans moved, D. Peterson seconded, to table discussion in order to send the recommendation back to the Graduate Exceptions Committee for its consideration. The motion passed.

B. APSCUF/Senate Task Force on General Education

W. Bateman reported that the Task Force will meet with the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the College of Visual and Performing Arts in the near future. He further reported that a Philosophy has been tentatively established.

C. APSCUF/Senate/Administrative Council Steering Committee on the Evaluation of the New Governance System

F. Stauffer reported that the Committee is waiting for responses to come back from the college community relative to the Ostar Report, the deadline for which is March 15.

D. Report From Academic Standards and Policy Committee

E. Evans, chairperson of the Academic Standards and Policy Committee, distributed a report from the committee and explained the contents thereof.

VI. Old Business

A. AFSCME Representation on Senate

D. Valuska indicated that the matter of AFSCME representation on the Senate will continue to be tabled until the responses are received from the college community relative to the Ostar Report, especially relative to representation on the Senate.

B. Final Vote on Amendment to the Constitution - Minority Representation

M. Piovane moved, M. Dinger seconded, to approve the final reading of the amendment to the Constitution of the University Senate regarding minority representation.

G. Goldberg moved, D. Peterson seconded, to table discussion of the matter until April's Senate meeting in order to allow feedback from the constituencies in view of the fact that the Senate Newsletter was distributed to the college community only a few days prior to the Senate meeting. The motion failed.

W. Bateman moved, R. Crisson seconded, to amend the proposed Amendment to the Constitution by inserting "racial minority" between "nominate" and "individuals" in the first sentence of the proposed Section D. 8. The motion passed.

W. Bateman moved, E. Evans seconded, to amend the proposed Amendment to the Constitution by inserting "who shall be a racial minority" to the end of the proposed Section C. The motion passed.

The proposed Amendment to the Constitution with the above changes is as follows:

- Article II. Membership
- Section A. Composition
 - 3. Members Elected at Large
 - C. The current item C becomes D.

Proposed C. If no racial minority, non-student Senator is elected or selected as a unit representative under ARTICLE II., Section A., Parts 1. and 2., or a Senator At Large under Article II, Section A., 3., an additional Senator At Large shall be elected by the faculty and staff eligible to vote for Senator At Large who shall be a racial minority.

Section D. Implementation of Election of University Senators

Amend 3. By the end of the third full week in March, willingness-to-serve and/or nomination forms for Senator At Large shall be submitted to the Senate Secretary.

Amend 4. By the start of the first full week in April, the Senate Secretary shall submit a primary ballot listing all nominees for Senator At Large to the faculty and professional staff eligible to vote. Each voter may select a number equal to the number of Senators to be elected at large that year.

Amend 7. By the start of the third full week of April, the final ballot shall be sent to the faculty and professional staff eligible to vote. Each voter may select a number equal to the number of Senators to be elected at large that year.

Amend 8. The current item 8 becomes 9.

Proposed 8. If an additional Senator At Large is to be elected to represent racial minorities, the faculty and professional staff who comprise these racial minorities will nominate racial minority individuals by the end of April for election by faculty and staff eligible to vote for Senator At Large. The election shall be completed by the end of the first full week of May.

E. Evans moved, G. Goldberg seconded, to table the matter until the next meeting. The motion passed. A final vote on this amendment will be conducted at the April meeting of the Senate.

C. Proposed Grade Appeal Policy

E. Evans moved, E. Nieves seconded, to remove from the table discussion of the Proposed Grade Appeal Policy. The motion passed.

E. Evans addressed some of the questions raised at the previous Senate meeting.

D. Academic Freedom and "Political Correctness" Policy Statement

The Senate deemed not to take any action on the document but is aware of the contents of the document.

VII. New Business

A. Proposed Policy on Outdoor Posting of Announcements

E. Nieves moved, R. Crisson seconded, to approve the Proposed Policy on Outdoor Posting of Announcements.

R. Covington moved, T. Sanelli seconded, to table discussion of the proposal in order to obtain feedback from Student Government. The motion passed.

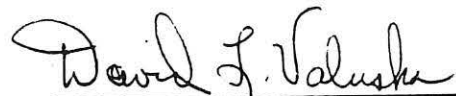
B. Drugs, Alcohol and You Pamphlet

W. Bateman moved, T. Sanelli seconded, to request that the name of the writer together with some indication of the process be included in the document.


G. Goldberg moved, E. Nieves seconded, to table discussion of the pamphlet until the next meeting. The motion passed.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.



David L. Valuska, President



Kathy M. Lynch, Secretary

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