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**Minutes  
of the  
Faculty Senate**

**October 5, 1989**

I. Call to Order

Chairperson K. Holland called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

Present were: C. Andrews, W. Bateman, A. Bearse, L. Bonhage, J. Brasted, A. Chasse, H. Clinton, J. Collier, L. Crawshaw, D. Dahlman, F. Dreisbach, B. Firestone, R. Fisher, L. Goldberg, T. Hickman, R. Brumbaugh for D. Hinkel, K. Holland, K. Kenney, S. Lipp, R. Lovell, R. Lucas, C. McFadden, P. Miller, K. Neyhart, E. Nieves, D. Peterson, R. Reinecke, E. Rogol, D. Roth, C. Scanzello, G. Sharp, P. Stepanovich, R. Gray for W. Towne, P. Traugott, D. Valuska, M. Dinger for D. Wagaman, R. Watrous, R. Wittman, C. Yarrison, R. Ziegenfus.

Absent were: D. Dietrich, A. Gundry, I. Hess, S. Keiser, J. Luizer, B. Peters, T. Schantz and student representation.

Others in attendance were: P. Briere, S. Justham, L. Netting.

II. Agenda

K. Holland called for a motion to approve the proposed agenda. R. Brumbaugh moved, E. Nieves seconded, the approval of the agenda. The motion passed.

III. Announcements

K. Holland reminded everyone that ballots on governance are due by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, October 10.

D. Roth announced November 6 is the deadline to nominate students to R. Bumba for academic projects.

K. Holland announced that the ballots on smoking in buildings on North Campus would be distributed within the week.

#### IV. Approval of the Minutes of September 14, 1989

It was announced that the adjournment motion and second at that meeting should be credited to E. Nieves and R. Watrous, respectively. E. Nieves requested to be listed as having attended the meeting. G. Sharp moved, R. Brumbaugh seconded, that the minutes of September 14, 1989, be approved with the editorial changes. The motion passed.

#### V. Old Business

##### A. Joint Senate-APSCUF Committee on Governance

Dissatisfaction was expressed by a number of members with the brevity of the ballot for governance. E. Nieves, in particular, felt that the length of the term of office for Senators, two or three years, should have been a ballot question. R. Ziegenfus thought that there should have been a formulation of a smaller Senate which eliminated at-large positions. G. Sharp contended that the wording of the questions was biased. D. Valuska asked what was the decision-making process used to formulate the ballot.

Members of the governance committee who were present responded. As for making the term of office a ballot question, the committee felt that not enough people had raised that concern since the beginning of September. One factor that went into the committee's proposing three year terms over the current two years was that most senates at other institutions have terms three years or longer. Those on the committee who had served on Senate agreed that one doesn't know what's going on the first year that one serves on Senate so that half the term is not productive. In addition, lead time is needed in some departments so that release time for the chair and vice chair (chair elect) of Senate could be planned.

As for the elimination of at-large positions in the Senate, the discussion at the September meeting centered on the four at-large positions on the Committee on Committees. As such, the governance ballot provided a second option with no at-large positions on the Committee on Committees.

As for biased wording of the questions, the committee felt that the 16-page document on the governance proposals outlining the new structure gave a good background and explanation for the questions which were placed on the ballot.

Ballot questions were selected by the committee on the basis of their importance in establishing a good overall foundation for the new governance structure, without getting bogged down in the minutiae of establishing rules by ballot for the conduct of day-to-day business for all the bodies involved. If some facet of the governance structure needs changing, the committee has every confidence that the structure will change to facilitate effective governance at the university. It was noted that many details of the new Senate structure will be established when the new bylaws for the Senate are discussed and adopted.

Some Senators asked if one should answer the rest of the questions on the ballot if one votes "no" to the first question. The answer given more than once was that one is expected to respond to all questions on the ballot.

## VI. Standing Committees

### A. Curriculum Affairs:

G. Sharp moved, R. Brumbaugh seconded, that item 90-01 be approved. After the committee's concerns about duplication of content for a student who has taken THE 140 were answered by L. Netting, the motion passed.

90-01: New course, DAN 1XX: Dance Production.

R. Ziegenfus moved, G. Sharp seconded, that items 90-02 through 90-04 be approved. The motion passed.

90-02: New course, DAN 2XX: Pointe II.

90-03: New course, DAN 2XX: Pointe III.

90-04: New course, DAN 2XX: The Choreographic Process II.

R. Ziegenfus moved, G. Sharp seconded, that item 90-05 be approved. After committee's concerns about total number of credits to be allowed were answered by L. Netting, the motion passed.

90-05: New course, DAN 2XX: Dance Production Practicum.

R. Ziegenfus moved, E. Nieves seconded, that items 90-06, 90-06A and 90-09 be approved. The motion passed.

90-06: New course, DAN 3XX: Internship in Dance.

90-06A: New course, DAN 3XX: Senior Synthesis.

90-09: Change in the BA Theatre program.

D. Valuska moved, R. Ziegenfus seconded, that item 90-10 [Changes in the Russian and Slavic Studies program] be approved. After questioning whether the new atmosphere of collegiality in governance extended to ignoring missing syllabi, D. Valuska moved, D. Peterson seconded, that the motion be tabled. The motion to table passed.

R. Ziegenfus moved, R. Reinecke seconded, that items 90-11, 90-12 and one graduate school item be approved. The motion passed.

90-11: Change credits, ANT 380: Senior Seminar in Anthropology from "2 semester hours, 2 credit hours" to "3 semester hours, 3 credit hours."

90-12: Change credits, SOC 380: Senior Seminar in Sociology from "2 semester hours, 2 credit hours" to "3 semester hours, 3 credit hours."

Graduate School, Item 1.: Change the prefix for Financial Management from BUS 530 to FIN 530.

- B. Academic Affairs: No report.
- C. Faculty Affairs: No report.
- D. Student Affairs: No report.

VII. New Business

A. Athletic Programs

The president has called for an action plan for the study of athletic programs. Two members of the committee are to be appointed by the chair of Faculty Senate. The deadline for production of the plan is April 1, 1990. Volunteers should see K. Holland.

B. Next Meeting Time

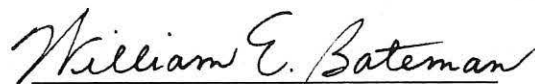
November 2 is anticipated as the last meeting date for the Faculty Senate if the new governance structure is adopted.

VIII. Adjournment

P. Miller moved, R. Wittman seconded the loudest, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed at 4:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
M. Kathryn Holland, Chairperson

  
William E. Bateman, Secretary