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## Minutes of the University Senate

**Thursday, April 28, 2005**

W. Bateman called the meeting to order in Room 223 of the McFarland Student Union Building at 4:12 p.m.

Present: Marilyn Baguinon (Secretary), Len Barish, William Bateman (President), Eric Beaven, Dan Cates, Janice Chernekoff, Roberta Crisson, Miles DeCoster, Peggy Devlin, Ina Grapenthin, James Hall, Kathy Hartman, Roger Hibbs, Ted Hickman, James Hvidding, Deryl Johnson (Vice President), Patricia Kelleher, Tracy Keyes, Robert Martin, John McAndrew, Matt McKernan, George Paterno, Morris Perinchief, Dennis Rains, Karen Rauch, Glenn Richardson Jr. for Kristin Bremer, Randy Schaeffer, Neal Shea, Kim Shively for William Donner, Judith Smith, Peg Speirs, Raymond Tumbleson, Edward Vicic, Karen Wanamaker for Bruce Gottschall, and Dana Wilcox.

Absent: Deborah Barlieb, Emily Button, Joan Davis, Dennis Dietrich, Jack Entriiken, Kimberly Johnston, David Laubach, Linda Rinker, Gail Rothermel, Paul Sable, John Vafeas, David Wagaman, and Karen Williams.

Also in Attendance: Duane Crider, Will Jefferson, Debbie Lynch, and Richard Zera.

### I. Announcements

W. Bateman announced that the "Kiss-a-Pig Contest" was almost over but those who want to send in a contribution may still do so until May 5. There are also new pictures posted on the website from the Basketball Game that was played on April 16.

W. Bateman also announced that the KU Foundation Faculty/Staff Capital Campaign is in progress and that each one can still make a contribution to this worthwhile cause. The Foundation has reported that the response from faculty and staff has been weak.

### II. Approval of the Agenda

L. Barish moved, M. DeCoster seconded, to approve the Agenda. The motion passed.

### III. Approval of the Minutes

L. Barish moved, T. Hickman seconded, to approve the Minutes of the April 7, 2005, meeting. A few corrections to last month's minutes were noted. Karen Rauch's name should be removed under Absent since G. Hanson covered for her at the last meeting. Under General Education Restructuring Team, the last word in the first sentence should be "well," not "will". The minutes were approved as corrected.

#### IV. Committee and Task Force Reports

##### A. Committee on Committees

D. Johnson reported that approximately 100 faculty members volunteered to serve in the various governance committees. He made a motion, which was seconded, for the approval of all the appointees. The motion passed. D. Johnson stated that the updated committees will be available on the website this summer and that the secretary will try to get all the letters out by next week.

D. Johnson made a second motion to change the composition of the Commission on the Status of Minorities. He directed the Senate body to refer to the green sheet handout. The committee proposed to add one graduate student, to change "student from Black Student Union" to "a student from any Kutztown University recognized Black Student Organization," and to change "student from Latino Student Organization" to "a student from any Kutztown University recognized Latino Student Organization." R. Schaeffer objected to the consideration of the motion since the Bylaws of the Senate states that any proposal affecting a committee's composition must be provided to Senate members at least one week prior to the Senate meeting and this was not done. There was a motion to table this particular motion until the fall semester. R. Crisson seconded, and the motion passed.

D. Johnson also reported that a representative from the Senate is needed on the Space, Allocation, and Renovation Committee. M. DeCoster volunteered to serve.

##### B. General Education Restructuring Team

D. Lynch reported that the committee's meetings with ten departments went well. More meetings will occur next week and next semester. If your department has not met with the committee yet and would like to do so, please contact her. She asked that the committee be placed on the September Meeting Agenda of the Senate so she can present the work of the committee. All information that this committee has compiled is on the website.

##### C. Academic Technology Committee Report

J. Smith made a motion to untable the motion to approve the assessment plan from the last Senate Meeting. P. Devlin seconded, and the motion passed. D. Crider, outgoing chair of this committee, explained that the plan has three primary goals listed in the assessment part and each primary goal has a list of objectives.

T. Hickman and D. Crider recommended that each college form its own "Technology Team Committee" so that faculty could discuss their wants and needs. This committee will then provide input back to the ATC committee.

P. Devlin called for the question, but there was an objection from M. Baguinon who said that the Biology Department feels that the assessment method was not clearly stated and that some of the parts of the assessment plan had simply been copied and pasted. T. Hickman assured her that this was not the case. By a vote of 22 in favor to 8 against, debate was closed. The motion to approve the assessment plan passed.

D. Budget Review Committee

W. Bateman reported that the Budget Decentralization Committee has been renamed Budget Review Committee since to use that name would presuppose its decision about decentralizing. The committee will first decide whether KU should decentralize or not. There is now a link on the Senate Web Page showing information that will be used by the committee in making their final decision. There is also a copy of the book that committee members read in the library on reserve: "College and University Budgeting (Third Edition)" by Larry Goldstein. The committee will have the first three meetings, on April 29, at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., and on May 4. W. Bateman also announced that a new member, David Haas from the College of Business, has been added to the committee. Check the website for updated information.

V. OLD BUSINESS

W. Bateman announced that there was no old business.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

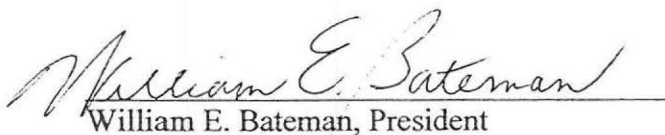
A. Approval of candidates for May 7, 2005 Graduation

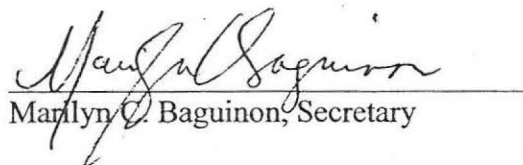
W. Bateman called for a motion to approve the May 7, 2005 graduates as certified by the Registrar's Office. R. Crisson moved, and T. Hickman seconded. The motion passed.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

R. Schaeffer moved, M. DeCoster seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Signed:

  
William E. Bateman, President

  
Marilyn C. Baguinon, Secretary

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