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MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE
February 1, 2001

R. Crisson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in Room 223 of the Student Union Building.

Present: Okan Akcay, Kelley Neyhart for Jorie Borden, Carol Gearhart for Dan Cates, Roberta Crisson, Richard Crooker, Raymond Dalfonso, Joan Davis, Michael Demeter, Margaret Devlin, Paula Holoviak, Michael Gabriel, Jill Givler, Linda Goldberg, Bruce Gottschall, Russell Gross, James Hall, Diane Fegely for Joan Holleran, Deryl Johnson, Diane Johnson, Kimberly Keenan-Kirkpatrick, Kevin Kjos, Joseph Lippincott, Carol Mapes, Lisa Norris, Morris Perinchief, Stacie Porosky, Suzanne Prestoy, Gail Rothermel, Randy Schaeffer, Andrew Skitko, Peg Speirs, Mary Theis, Heather Thomas, William Towne, Raymond Tumbleson, John Vafeas, Madan Varma.

Absent: Emmanuel Akillas, Deborah Barlieb, Charles Clark, Miles DeCoster, John Erdmann, Roger Hibbs, Ted Hickman, John Kopko, Sara McKinsey, Jean Mae Smith, James Sowerwine, Theresa Stahler, Girma Zelleke.

I. Announcements

A moment of silence was held in memory of Timothy Gallucci.

D. Johnson provided an update on the plans for the upcoming diversity festival.

II. Approval of the Agenda

R. Gross moved, J. Hall seconded, to approve the Agenda. The motion passed.

III. Approval of the Minutes of December 7, 2000

R. Schaeffer moved, R. Dalfonso seconded, to approve the Minutes of December 7, 2000. The motion passed.

IV. Committee and Task Force Reports

A. Academic Standards and Policy Committee

1. Document on Student Rights and Welfare/Class Attendance

J. Givler moved, R. Gross seconded, to approve the following changes to the third paragraph of the Class Attendance Policy as stated in the Class

Attendance Policy and the KU Undergraduate Catalog:

While students have the responsibility to attend class, situations arise where attendance is not possible. Excused absences include, but are not limited to, personal or family illness, scheduled university-related activities, death in family, required attendance at criminal, civil or on-campus judicial proceedings, and impassable roads.

R. Schaeffer moved, R. Gross seconded, to amend the motion by including in the Document on Students Rights and Welfare the second paragraph as stated in the Undergraduate Catalog under Class Attendance and by moving the above paragraph from Article 2.7 to Article 2.3 in the Document on Student Rights and Welfare. The motion passed.

C. Mapes moved, R. Schaeffer seconded, to further amend the motion by adding "may" before "include" in the second sentence of the proposal. The motion passed.

The original motion passed as amended.

2. Credit Transfer Information

J. Givler, chairperson of the Academic Standards and Policy Committee, referred to the Index of the KU Undergraduate Catalog relating to academic policies and asked that any information that needs to be changed in the Index to make it more user friendly should be forwarded to her.

B. Committee on Committees

M. Perinchief moved, M. Devlin seconded, to approve the appointment of Dan Talley as a member from the College of Visual and Performing Arts to the Undergraduate Exceptions Committee. The motion passed.

M. Perinchief reported that willingness-to-serve forms for committee vacancies will be distributed in March.

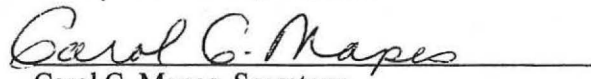
S. Porosky indicated that there are some concerns among students that they are not being treated fairly on certain committees.

V. Adjournment

L. Norris moved, J. Givler seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.


Roberta L. Crisson, President


Carol C. Mapes, Secretary