



Texas Tech University

The Faculty Senate

March 6, 1981

TO: MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY SENATE

FROM: Roland Smtih, President

SUBJECT: Agenda for meeting #31, March 11, 1981

The Faculty Senate will meet on Wednesday, March 11, 1981 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate Room of the University Center. The agenda is as follows:

- I. Minutes of the February 11, 1981 meeting
- II. Election of Senate officers
- III. Committee Reports
 - A. Committee on Committees - Masten
 - B. Faculty Status & Welfare - Larkin
 - C. Tenure & Privilege Committee - Stewart
 - D. Standing Study Committee B - Sanders
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Proposed Financial Exigency Regulation - Collins
(See February agenda)
 - B. Recommendations on Academic Freedom - Stewart
(See January agenda, plus enclosed item)
- V. Resolution Concerning Faculty Morale - Newcomb
- VI. Other Business
- VII. Announcements
 - A. Correspondence
 - B. Announcements from the chair

DISBURSEMENTS FROM FACULTY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Disbursements from the Faculty Development Fund may be made only under the following regulations:

(a) Payments from the fund may be made as reimbursement for any expenses or charges incurred in any professional or academic activity conducted or participated in by a faculty member which, directly or indirectly, contributed significantly to the academic development of that person as a member of the Texas Tech University faculty. Such payments shall be awarded only upon a determination that the activity involved significantly contributed to the academic development of the person and in the absence of such a determination, payments may not be awarded on the basis of the relative merit of that activity.

(b) Payments shall be made only to full-time faculty members of the rank of assistant professor or above; shall not in any case exceed \$500; and shall not be granted more than once to any one faculty member. Payments shall not be made in reimbursement of any expenses or charges for any activity respecting which other funds may have been available for such reimbursement. Partial reimbursement from any source will disqualify an applicant.

(c) Payments will be authorized by majority vote of a three member committee appointed by the Faculty Senate, composed of Senators from three different colleges or departments of the University. Such committee shall function only one academic year and its members shall not be eligible for reappointment. The committee may not approve a payment from the fund to any of its members.

(d) The committee appointed pursuant to paragraph c, above, shall observe the following procedures:

(1) On September 1 and March 1 of the academic year, or the first business day thereafter, the committee will issue a University-wide call for applications for payments from the Fund with respect to professional or academic activity which was conducted or participated in during the

immediately preceding six calendar months. The committee in such call shall advise that to be considered the applications must be received within 30 days from the date of the call.

(2) The committee shall consider applications submitted in letter form which contain the following: (1) a detailed description of the duration, nature, scope and content of the professional or academic activity which is the subject of the claim; (2) a clear statement of the manner in which and the extent to which the activity contributed, either directly or indirectly, to the academic development of the applicant; (3) a certification that reimbursement was not available from any other sources; (4) reasonably complete documentary support of (1), (2), and (3), to include, where applicable, the curriculum vita of the activity, documents supporting the unavailability of other funds to provide reimbursement, and reasonable documentation of incurred expenses or charges, e.g., copies of airline, train or bus tickets, hotel or motel receipts, certification of the use of a privately owned vehicle, receipts of registration fees, etc.; and (5) a certification that all statements in the application and its attachments are true and complete to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.

(3) The committee shall consider all applications received from eligible persons and determine which of the reported activities fully meet the requirements set out in paragraph a, above, and are the most deserving within the constraints of available funds. The committee shall approve awards within 15 working days after the stated deadline for filing applications, and shall report its action promptly to the Faculty Senate, the custodian of the Faculty Development Fund, the Ex-Students Association, all applicants, and others as may be appropriate.

(4) The committee may issue additional procedural regulations respecting its functions as it desires, provided that they do not conflict in any respect with the foregoing requirements.

Agenda item III. (D)

Report of Faculty Senate Study Committee B

The Committee was recharged with presenting to the Faculty Senate a recommendation of how to utilize \$700 of excess AMOCO Foundation money. After considerable discussion of several ideas, we the Committee, offer the following recommendation:

We move that the Faculty Senate recommend that the money be added to an existing teaching equipment fund for the improvement of teaching facilities (i.e. acoustics, chalk boards, audio-visual, etc.) in the "large lecture halls" on campus.

Darryl Sanders

(See back of this sheet for Agenda item IV. (B) Report of the ad hoc Committee on Academic Freedom)

Agenda item V.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, President Cavazos has, from time to time, expressed an interest in faculty morale, and

Whereas, the Faculty Senate is responsible for acting "on behalf of the faculty" and for serving "as an advisory body to the President of the University,"

Therefore be it resolved, That the Faculty Senate invite President Cavazos to meet with it as soon as may be mutually convenient to discuss faculty morale: its current status; contributory factors; and possible corrective strategies.

B. H. Newcomb

Report of the ad hoc Committee on Academic Freedom

Amended Resolution

Add (to the resolution presented in the previous "final" report):
This Committee shall be constituted to conform with the following:

ACADEMIC FREEDOM COMMITTEE (TTU)

CHARGE:

This Committee is responsible for reviewing and developing recommendations regarding academic freedom at Texas Tech University. Considerations should include:

1. Community attitudes;
2. Effective expressions;
3. Protections against abuses; and
4. Hearing cases considered to be outside of the jurisdictions of the Standing Committee on Tenure and Privilege and of the respective grievance panels.

MEMBERSHIP:

The Committee shall be composed of five voting members as follows:

1. Three tenured members of the faculty selected by the Faculty Senate for three year staggered terms;
2. One member of the student body selected by the Student Senate; and
3. One member of the university staff selected by the faculty and student members of the Committee.

OPERATING PROCEDURES:

The Committee shall develop its own operating procedures. It is expected that the Committee will exercise appropriate initiatives in conducting inquiries, obtaining information and communicating its recommendations.

The Committee shall report and make recommendations to the Faculty Senate, the Student Senate, and to the Vice President for Academic Affairs. The faculty member of the Committee in his/her last year of service on the Committee shall act as Chairperson.

Agenda item VII.

Correspondence

The following letters have been sent from the Senate Office since those that were reported last.

1. Dr. Len Ainsworth, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs, thanking him for re-examining a faculty grievance.
2. Dr. Lauro F. Cavazos, President, thanking him for re-considering a faculty grievance.
3. Professor John Queen, Department of Art, thanking him for his letter.
4. Dr. William B. Conroy, Interim Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, updating him on the Faculty Senate Undergraduate Programs Committee's study of the date for withdrawal from courses and from the University.
5. Dr. Lauro F. Cavazos, President, informing him of the faculty's decision on the proposed revision of the University tenure policy.
6. Professor B. H. Newcomb, Department of History, informing him of the Academic Council's endorsement of the Undergraduate Programs Committee's recommendations concerning withdrawal from courses and from the University.
7. Senators John Tower, Lloyd Bentson, Robert Dole, Robert Packwood; Congressmen: Kent Hance, J. J. Pickle; Commissioner of Internal Revenue; Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy; Regional Commissioner of Internal Revenue; and Chairman of House Ways and Means Committee enclosing a copy of the resolution passed by the Faculty Senate concerning the ruling of the Internal Revenue Service in the Thor Power Tool Decision.

Agenda item III. (A)

NOMINATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS AND SENATE COMMITTEES

Athletic Council

Margaret Wilson ✓
Arts & Sciences

Helen Brittin ✓
Home Economics

David Northington ✓
Arts & Sciences

Michael Bobo ✓
Arts & Sciences

R.H. Seacat ✓
Engineering

Alternate

Joe Cornett ✓
Education

Jerry Stockton ✓
Agriculture

Honors and Awards

William Patterson ✓
Arts & Sciences

Paul Munter ✓
Business Administration

Alternate

Jerry C. Hudson ✓
Arts & Sciences

Admission & Registration

Charles Geer ✓
Education

Jon Wardrip ✓
Arts & Sciences

Alternate

Ralph Ramsey, III ✓
Engineering

Artists and Speakers

Floyd Eddleman ✓
Arts & Sciences

Alternate

Albert Sanger ✓
Engineering

Benefits and Retirement

John Malloy ✓
Business Administration

LaMont Johnson ✓
Education

Alternate

John Paul Craig ✓
Engineering

Bookstore Advisory

Milton Smith ✓
Engineering

Carlton Britton ✓
Agriculture

Campus Security & Emergency

William Nicholls, Jr. ✓
Arts & Sciences

Code of Student Affairs

Charles P. Bubary ✓
Law

Carol Robacker ✓
Agriculture

Alternate

Herman Plott ✓
Engineering

Convocations

Fred Wagner ✓
Engineering

Patrick Dunne ✓
Business Administration

Earlene T. Paynter ✓
Arts & Sciences

Alternate

Ruth Volz /
Home Economics

International Education

Diane Wood ✓
Arts & Sciences

Marriette Morrison ✓
Arts & Sciences

Library

Lynne Richards ✓
Home Economics

Gary White ✓
Business Administration

Alternate

Roberto Villarreal ✓
Arts & Sciences

Minority Affairs

Walter Cartwright ✓
Arts & Sciences

John Wunder ✓
Arts & Sciences

Parking Violations Appeals

Committee A Richard Zartman ✓
Agriculture

Committee B Tony Reis ✓
Engineering

Committee C Otto Schacht ✓
Agriculture

Student Financial Aids/Scholarships

Charles Myles ✓
Arts & Sciences

Robert McLauchlan ✓
Engineering

Warren Wray ✓
Engineering

Student Publications

Thomas Ratcliffe ✓
Business Administration

Nina Ronshausen ✓
Education

University Discipline

Bob Warren ✓
Agriculture

Monty Davenport ✓
Engineering

Affirmative Action

Alexis Tan ✓
Arts & Sciences

University Discipline Appeals

Brian Murphey ✓
Agriculture

Joe Cornett ✓
Education

Faculty Senate Election Committee

David Higdon ✓
Arts & Sciences

Alternate

William Nicholls, Jr. ✓
Arts & Sciences

Special Hearing Panel for Tenure and Privileges Committee

Myra J. Timmons ✓
Home Economics

Connie Steele ✓
Home Economics

Duane Jordan ✓
Engineering

Robert Amason ✓
Business Administration

Vincent Luchsinger
Business Administration

B.L. Allen ✓
Agriculture

Charles Reavis
Education

Welborn Willingham ✓
Education

Murray Coulter ✓
Arts & Sciences

William E. Oden ✓
Arts & Sciences