

MINUTES OF FACULTY SENATE MEETING 92

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, November 11, 1987 in the Senate Room of the University Center with Georgette Gettel, president, presiding. Senators present were Aycock, Barnard, Bravo, Brink, Burnett, Cartwright, Coulter, Dometrius, Fish, Gades, Gustafson, Hartwell, Howe, Ketner, Koh, Lawrence, Lee, Long, McLaughlin, U. Mann, Mathis, Muma, Payne, Pearson, Petrini, Platten, Reid, Rinehart, Rogers, Samson, Savage, Schoenecke, Scott, Skoog, Stoune, Tereshkovich, Trost, Whitehead, Wilson, and Wood. Senators Ethridge, Hayes, M. Mann and Smith were absent because of University business. Senators Barr, Craig, and Sasser were absent because of personal reasons.

The meeting was called to order by President Gettel at 3:40 p.m.

I. Recognition of guests

Guests present were Don Haragan, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research; Jerry Ramsey, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research; Joe Sanders, Director, News and Publications; James Ricketts, Lubbock Avalanche-Journal; Amiee Larson, University Daily and John Bliese, Senate Parliamentarian.

II. Introduction of new Senators

Gettel introduced the following recently elected senators: Rinaldo Petrini, Architecture; Roberto Bravo, Arts & Sciences; Kenneth L. Ketner, Arts & Sciences; Dallas W. Lee, School of Law and Murray W. Coulter, Senator At-Large from Arts & Sciences.

III. Approval of the minutes of the October 14, 1987 meeting

The minutes were approved with one correction. Under agenda item IX. Announcements, the word "associate" was inserted, making that sentence read forty-four full and associate professors...

IV. Report on Academic Council meeting of October 15, 1987 by Senate Vice President Tom McLaughlin

Japan has invited American universities to investigate the possibility of establishing branch campuses in Japan. Documents concerning this are in the Senate office. A private concern has offered to assist the University in searching for patents and copyrights. A study of telecommunications raised the question of whether the University should continue to use the telephone company system or operate its own system. Long distance telephone rates are lower with the Sprint contract. The issue of faculty appointments that are inter-department was discussed ("courtesy appointments"). In a report from Dean Goodin, the possibility of phasing in of higher admission standards over 3 to 5 years was discussed. Similar plans are under discussion by the Senate Academic Programs Committee. Summer school format was briefly discussed.

V. Remarks by VPAAR Haragan

Haragan announced the addition of a Senate representative to the Administrative Council. The summer and fall schedules are still subject to change pending the results of a Faculty Senate poll. Criteria for mass examinations are being drawn up due to a large number of requests for such exams. Academic Affairs International Programs Committee is studying the possibility of a Japanese campus, along with

V. Remarks by VPAAR Haragan continued.....

other proposals. Academic Affairs hopes to be able to bring proposals based on the White Papers to the Regents in the current academic year. Of special interest are proposals dealing with entrance standards. The search for a Vice President for Development has been concluded and the appointment will be announced soon. The Capitol Campaign goals will be met but the Endowment fund will be short of the goal. The Administrative Structure Committee is studying the top level of the administration, not the academic administrative structure. On the matter of class scheduling, Senator Aycock mentioned "I perceive a problem in communication. I like your idea of decisions coming from the bottom up but this sounds like a decision from the top down." Aycock asked if the schedule is still subject to change, and was told that it is.

VI. Committee Reports

Committee on Committees:

Senator Payne, chair, invited nominees or volunteers for Faculty Status and Welfare Committee.

Faculty Senate Study Committee "A"

Senator Pearson, chair, gave a preliminary report on the status of the periodical collection and its maintenance.

VII. Announcements

President Gettel reported on the meeting of the Senate officers, Senators Aycock and Pearson with Board of Regents Chairman Wendell Mayes, and Mrs. Mayes on October 23rd. Topics discussed were: recruitment, admissions and retention, core curriculum, research, minorities and necessary economic support for programs, lack of adequate communication between faculty and administration, morale problems within the faculty, departure of our faculty colleagues and replacement with visiting/adjunct professors versus tenure track professors. Also discussed were: problems of public relations, including our image locally and in other parts of the state. A plea was made for continued communication between faculty and Board members and administration. The luncheon meeting closed after 2 hours.

President Gettel announced the appointment of Senators Mathis and Whitehead to the "Special Issues Committee" which was established by special resolution at the October 14th meeting.

A meeting with Associate VPAAR Virginia Sowell resulted in a request that the Senators poll their constituencies for opinions on Summer and Fall class schedules. (see attachment). Senator Gustafson (Home Economics) had been appointed as Senate representative on the Administrative Council. Gettel announced.

Senator Gustafson reported on the Administrative Council meeting of November 10, 1987. The Council acted on 35 course approvals, discussed renaming MATH 1300 to "intermediate math", recognized role of Faculty Senate representative, discussed final exam schedules and recommended continuance of 2½ hour exam bloc. Add/drop policy was discussed and Agriculture and Engineering will require advisors to sign add/drop requests.

Registration codes will be studied so that students will be properly entered in the

data system as to their major. Registration and grades at the Junction campus were discussed so that grades from Junction sessions will be reported at the end of the period rather than at the end of Lubbock campus sessions.

VIII. Other Business

Senate Vice President McLaughlin asked for information from the University Intellectual Property Committee. Associate Vice President Ramsey reported that a draft report is being studied and is nearly ready for submission to Academic Affairs.

The Senate was asked for the results of its poll on class schedules. The summary is attached.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michael C. Stoune". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Michael Stoune
Secretary 1987-88

Results of Faculty Senate Poll
regarding class schedules

1. Starting time for classes:

Summer - majority favored 8:00 a.m.

Regular or long term - majority favored 8:00 a.m.

A major concern was expressed regarding the number of class blocks with a request for at least five starting times.

At least one faculty member pointed out that the change to 7:30 a.m. starting time was done originally to afford more flexibility in scheduling classes.

2. Passing periods:

A majority supported a 10-15 minute passing period with the margin in favor of a 15 minute period. Several questioned the need to change.

3. The question of length of Summer School session was referred to committee for study.

Results by College

Question 1.

	Summer Session	Fall
Ag. Sciences	split between 7:30-8:00 a.m.	split
Architecture	7:30 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
Arts & Sciences	8:00 a.m.	split
Business Administration	8:00 a.m.	no report
Education	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
Engineering	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
Home Economics	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
Law	no report	no report

Question 2.

Ag. Sciences	15 minutes
Architecture	15 minutes
Arts & Sciences	15 minutes
Business Administration	15 minutes
Education	15 minutes
Engineering	15 minutes
Home Economics	15 minutes
Law	no response

Question 3.

Referred to appropriate Senate committee by unanimous vote.