MINUTES #157, FACULTY SENATE JANUARY 18, 1995

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, January 18, 1995, at 3:15 p.m. in the Senate Room of the University Center with Alwyn Barr, president, presiding. Senators present were Bliese, Burnett, Burns, Cardenas-Garcia, Couch, Coulter, DeBell, Dunham, Durland, Endsley, Fedler, Floyd, Fortney, Goebel, Gregory, Heintz, Held, Hensley, Higdon, Hopkins, Huffman, Howe, Jonish, Khan, Marlett, D. Mason, J. Mason, McGlone, Mann, Morrow, Nathan, Oberhelman, Payne, Schoenecke, Steinhart, Tock and Westfall. Senator Pearson is on leave from the University. Senators Aranha, Hartwell, Perl and Weber were absent because of University business. Senator Cravens was absent with prior notification. Senators Curzer, Sorenson, Thompson, Troub and Welton were absent.

President Barr called the meeting to order at 3:25 p.m. and recognized the following guests: Donald R. Haragan, Executive Vice President and Provost; Len Ainsworth, Vice Provost; Virginia Sowell, Associate Vice President; Alfonso Scandrett, Associate Athletic Director; Robert M. Sweazy, Vice Provost for Research; Paul Johnson, Chair, General Education Committee; Jan Kemp, Library; Joan Conway, Student Assistant, Faculty Senate; and Darrin Cook, UNIVERSITY DAILY.

Professor Gary Elhow, Geography, served as Parliamentarian.

I. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the Dedember 14, 1995 meeting were approved as distributed.

II. REPORTS FROM UNIVERSITY COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES

Provost Council President Barr distributed a report at the door that is available in the Faculty Senate office.

One highlight of the report was the announcement that plus/minus grading will be available for faculty use on an optional basis for the 1995 fall semester. The plus/minus grades will appear on transcripts and grade reports but will not be used for calculations of the GPA in the fall. After the fall semester, the faculty will be surveyed for their reaction.

At the Provost Council meeting on January 9, 1995, it was announced that Vice Provost Len Ainsworth will leave that position at the end of the academic year. Dr. Haragan made remarks concerning Dr. Ainsworth's many contributions to the Provost's Office as well as to the University. Dr. Ainsworth will continue as a faculty member in the College of Education.

General Education Committee Senator Marlett remarked that the committee's report concerning a multicultural requirement has been sent to all senators.

III. REPORTS FROM FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE

Study Committee \underline{B} is now chaired by Senator Steinhart. Dr. Pearson, the chair for the fall semester, is on leave for spring.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was brought before the Senate.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Senator Marlett made the following motion that was seconded by Senator Coulter:

The Faculty Senate president shall appoint an ad hoc committee to study and return recommendations as to whether or not a senate hall or wall of honor should be created and maintained in some prominent place like the University Center to recognize student and faculty national standing as a result of winning 1st-3rd in competitions or appointments of leadership in national organizations. If the ad hoc committee returns a positive recommendation the committee should also present the criteria, timing, and other procedures to be used by colleges and other campus organizations for submissions to a standing committee of the senate appointed for the purpose of sustaining a creditable and high quality presentation.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Barr requested that all senators provide Grace Frazior with their class schedules a soon as possible.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Senate adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harley D. Oberhelman Secretary 1994-95