

MINUTES #160, FACULTY SENATE
April 12, 1995

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, April 12, 1995, at 3:15 p.m. in the Senate Room of the University Center with Alwyn Barr, president, presiding. Senators present were Burnett, Burns, Cardenas-Garcia, Couch, Coulter, Curzer, DeBell, Durland, Fedler, Fortney, Goebel, Gregory, Hartwell, Heintz, Held, Hensley, Hopkins, Huffman, Jonish, Khan, D. Mason, Mann, Morrow, Nathan, Oberhelman, Payne, Perl, Sorenson, Steinhart, Thompson, Tock, Troub, Weber and Westfall. Senators Howe and Pearson are on leave. Senators Aranha, Bliese, Cravens, Endsley, Marlett, J. Mason and Schoenecke were absent because of University business. Senators Dunham, Floyd, Higdon, McGlone 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; Alfonso Scandrett, Associate Athletic Director; Jan Kemp, Library; Joan Conway, Graduate Assistant, Faculty Senate; and members of the news media.

Professor Gary Elbow, Geography, served as Parliamentarian.

I. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the March 8, 1995, meeting were approved as distributed.

Following the approval of the minutes Vice Provost Len Ainsworth gave Grace Frazier a service pin in recognition of her more than fifteen years of service to the Faculty Senate. A standing ovation followed the presentation.

II. ELECTION OF THE 1995-96 FACULTY SENATE OFFICERS:

President: Murray W. Coulter
Vice President: Peter Westfall
Secretary: Clifford B. Fedler

**III. REPORT FROM BOB BOCKRATH, DIRECTOR OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS,
BY DR. ALFONSO SCANDRETT**

Dr. Scandrett commented on the 1995 Academic Progress of Student Athletes report. A copy of the report is available in the Faculty Senate office.

IV. REPORTS FROM UNIVERSITY COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES

Provost Council - President Barr. A copy of this report was distributed at the door and is available in the Faculty Senate office. Vice President Huffman, who attended one provost council meeting for President Barr, listed the topics of interest that were discussed: (1) Faculty has been slow in returning freshman grades; (2) The budget for the next biennium may run 1.5% to 5% lower than the current budget; there may be a cost of living increase for the second year; (3) A task

force is at work on the teaching and learning center and another is studying the possibility of instituting a planning, assessment, and quality center.

Graduate Council - Senator Couch stated that the matter of academic status for librarians was discussed as well as the possible impact it might have on graduate faculty membership.

V. REPORTS FROM FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEES

Committee on Committees - Senator Jonish mentioned that a list of nominations for university committees and councils was available at the door. The committee recommendations were approved by a voice vote.

Ad Hoc Committee to Study Hall or Wall of Honor - Senator Perl stated that about a dozen fourth-year architecture students were working on a possible site and making plans for the wall or hall. The committee is to meet with the students for final recommendations and will communicate these recommendations to the Faculty Senate at the May meeting.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Senator Held spoke concerning the amendment to the Faculty Charter concerning academic status for librarians that will come to a vote at the May 2 general faculty meeting. There was prolonged discussion concerning the route this amendment took to final approval by the Board of Regents. Senator Westfall moved that information concerning this issue be sent to the voting faculty. Senator Held seconded the motion. Senator Westfall sought to amend his original motion so that information concerning aspects of the issue would be included in the Faculty Senate minutes. Senator Held refused to accept this amendment. The question was called on the original motion (without the amendment). The voice vote was in favor of calling the question. The vote on the original motion lost: 12 in favor; 14 against.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. President Barr announced that he sent Senator Mason's comments on the Optional Retirement Program to the Faculty Status & Welfare Committee.
2. The degree audit process is now on hold, but it will be continued later.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Senate adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Harley D. Oberhelman
Secretary 1994-95