

Texas Tech University

The Faculty Senate

September 4, 1981

TO: Members of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Benjamin H. Newcomb, President

SUBJECT: Agenda for meeting #34, September 9, 1981

The Faculty Senate will meet on Wednesday, September 9, 1981, at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate Room of the University Center. The agenda is as follows:

I. Introduction of Members and Guests

II. Minutes of the May 13, 1981 Meeting (as previously distributed).

III. Report of the Committee on Committees (see attachment).

IV. Report of the Undergraduate Programs Committee: Pass/Fail Resolution (see attachment).

V. Report of Senate Members of the <u>ad hoc</u> Committee on Tenure Procedures -- R. Smith

- VI. Commitment of study of allocation of faculty salary raise monies to Senate Budget Study Committee (see attachment).
- VII. Commitment of study of academic security and discipline to a Senate study committee (see attachment).
- VIII. Request that the Chairperson of the Faculty Benefits Committee and the Director, Personnel, meet with the Senate at the October meeting to discuss rate changes in health insurance, and possible alternatives to the current plan.
- IX. Other business and announcements
 - A. Disposition of Senate Recommendations
 - By Letter of June 23, 1981, President Cavazos informs that the Academic Affairs Information System Committee, recommended May 13, 1981, will be established under the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

- 2. By letter of August 7, 1981, President Cavazos informs that the establishment of the Academic Freedom Committee, recommended March 11, 1981, is under consideration of the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Tenure Policy Review Committee.
- 3. By letter of August 7, 1981, President Cavazos informs that "I have no objections to the formation of" an Energy Use and Conservation Committee, if the Vice President for Finance and Administration wishes to establish one, and the Senate should confer with that office if it still wishes to establish. that committee, as recommended March, 1980.
- 4. By memo of May 19, 1981, Vice President Ainsworth informs that the financial exigency plan, recommended May 13, 1981, is under consideration.
- B. Other Adtions of University officers and committees
 - 1. By letter of August 7, 1981, President Cavazos indicates that he does not plan a wholesale revision of the system governing the operation of standing councils and committees, as earlier information implied.
 - 2. By memo of May 13, 1981, Vice President Ainsworth informs that he has changed the title of the Admission and Registration Committee to the Admission and Retention Committee.
 - 3. by letter of January 29, 1981, the former Tenure and Privilege Committee informs that it has unanimously decided that "Consideration for tenure and consideration for promotion should be separate and distinct." This is in reply to Faculty Senate submission of this question on December 11, 1980.
 - 4. by letter of June 8, 1981, the Library Committee informs that it has followed the recommendations of the Senate of April 9, 1980, and will be submitting a full report.
 - 5. Item from the Minutes of the Faculty Council, TTUSM/HSC, June 9, 1981, "Revival of the Joint TTUSM/HSC/TTU Committee made up of three members from the Executive Committee and three from the TTU Faculty Senate. The members from TTUHSC will be Drs. Bartholomew, Cockings, and Hutson."
- C. Miscellaneous
 - 1. Resignations received and acepted from Professors Jebsen, Sellmeyer, Wood, and Collins. The president and elections committee will schedule by-elections.
 - 2. <u>Insight is scheduled for publication September 15 and will contain</u> complete University committee lists.

- 3. The president has requested, by letter of August 17, 1981, that Vice President Ainsworth inform the Senate of the progress of the Tenure Policy Review Committee, and of further consideration of its report.
- 4. The president has in the above letter requested Vice President Ainsworth to convene the Tenure and Privilege Committee so it may begin functioning.
- 5. The president has asked Study Committee C to be convened for the purpose of studying the feasibility of employing a lawyer to represent the faculty, as resolved on April 8, 1981.
- 6. Professors Alice Denham (Education) and Beverly Gilbert (Arts & Sciences) have been appointed to the Committee on Committees, and former members remaining in the Senate have been re-appointed.

Agenda Item III.

The Committee on Committees nominates the following for the designated committees:

University Discipline Committee Iarry Masten, Engineering Herman Plott, Engineering (alternate)

University Discipline Appeals Committee Donald Helmers, Engineering

Mindrity Affairs Committee Albert J. Sanger, Engineering

Code of Student Affairs Committee Leonard H. Weiner, Engineering Agenda Item IV.

The Undergraduate Committee recommends that the current pass/fail policy be supplemented by the following further restrictions. These should be added to the Catalog in the section on Academic Regulations, subsection on Pass/Fail Option.

Students may not take either English 131 or English 132 pass/fail. Students may take no more than three hours of required American history pass/fail.

Students may take no more than three hours of required political science pass/fail.

Students shall consult with their academic advisors before declaring pass/fail, and obtain signed approval from advisors on the declaration form.

Agenda Item VI.

Study of the allocation of raise monies as made in the 1981-82 budget is referred to the Budget Study Committee of the Senate. The Committee should determine the proportion of raise monies allocated to the several colleges and schools, and among the various departments within colleges. It should compare these proportions with those in the 1980-81 budget. It should report on the dollar amounts and percentage raises received by administrators.

Agenda Item VII.

The committee is requested to report on how the university has resolved or is resolving the following problems: bomb threats designed to disrupt classes and testing; burglary of offices to obtain tests and change grades. Also it is asked to report on the disposition of cases in which students are accused of cheating or plagarism.