

MINUTES OF FACULTY SENATE MEETING #97

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, April 13, 1988 in the Senate Room of the University Center with Georgette Gettel, president, presiding. Senators present were Barr, Bravo, Burnett, Cartwright, Coulter, Dometrius, Ethridge, Fish, Gades, Gustafson, Howe, Ketner, Koh, Lee, H. Mann, Mathis, Muma, Payne, Pearson, Reid, Rogers, Samson, Sasser, Savage, Schoenecke, Scott, Skoog, Smith, Stoune, Tereshkovich, Trost, Whitehead, and Wilson. Senators Craig, Hayes, Lawrence, Long, McLaughlin, Petrini, Platten, and Wood were absent because of university business. Senators Hartwell and U. Mann were absent because of illness. Senators Aycock, Barnard, Brink, and Rinehart are on leave from the university.

President Gettel called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m. and recognized the following guests: Lauro F. Cavazos, President; Thomas Newman, Office of Academic Affairs; T. Jones and Clint Ramsey, Athletic Department; Bob Sweazy, Research Services; Judi Henry, Dean of Students Office; Melissa White, Student Association; Julia Whitsitt; Department of English; Joe Sanders, News & Publications; Bill Hobbs, Lubbock Avalanche Journal; Gary Harper and Alan Rose, University Daily.

Special guests introduced were the past presidents and chairs of the Faculty Advisory Committee, the Faculty Council and the Faculty Senate. Those present were Bill Oden, Harley Oberhelman, Donald Longworth, Jacquelin Collins, Margaret Wilson, Gary Elbow, William Mayer-Oakes and Gerald Skoog.

I. Minutes of the March 9, 1988 meeting

The minutes were approved as distributed after the correction of two spelling errors.

II. Recognition of Former Chairs

In observance of the 20th year of faculty governance at Texas Tech University, the former chairs of the Faculty Advisory Committee, the Faculty Council and the Faculty Senate were invited to attend this meeting and make a statement or to send one to be read. Of 18 former chairs, two are deceased (Mary Dabney and Berlie Fallon) and no response was received from two. Statements were given by or read from the remaining 14.

Of particular interest are the following statements: Oden, "Remember three things, (1) Know your goals, (2) Enlist the support of others, and (3) Never tire of doing good." Collins: "The university is as a three-legged stool, each dependent on the other for support; the students, the taxpayers (as embodied in the Regents) and the faculty. The administration exists only to serve the other three elements." Sowell: "The Senate has made a great deal of progress toward fulfilling its role as an effective member of the decision-making team. ... communication between the Senate and the administration is automatic on all important matters." Central to all respondents was repeated appreciation for the service of Grace Frazier who has been secretary to the Faculty Senate since November, 1976.

III. Remarks by Lauro F. Cavazos

President Cavazos appreciated the increased role of the Senate and paralleled it to his own eight-year tenure as University President. He invited the current Senate officers to meet with him to discuss the past year and the 1988-89 officers to meet with him to discuss the next school year. He encouraged a constant review of the new admission standards to be sure that desired goals are achieved and to tighten them up as needed.

IV. Remarks by Clint Ramsey, Assistant to the Athletic Director and Academic Coordinator

Reporting on athletic students' academic status he commented that academic efforts on behalf of athletes are fully supported by the administration. The Freshman athletes in 1986-87 numbered 58 students with 25 (48%) admitted conditionally. Of 19 in football and men's basketball, 4 were ineligible to participate under the NCAA's Proposition 48 but those 4 are still in school at TTU. The entering students had SAT scores of from 520 to 1030 and ACT scores of from 15 to 25. Of the 87-88 football recruits the average grade point on high school core courses was 3.0. Of the 1985-86 recruits, 79% returned to Tech in 86-87 against a university level of 67%. Graduation rates for athletes who entered in 1981 was 41% against 35.7% for the university. In Spring 87, with 300 students in the program there were 8 on the President's list, 31 on the Dean's list and 54 with 3.0 or better GPA. The highest team GPA was women's basketball at 2.91. In Fall, 87, with 309 students, there were 5 on the President's list, 20 on the Dean's list and 65 with a GPA of 3.0 or better. Women's golf had the highest team GPA of 2.99.

Senator Pearson requested additional information on average SAT/ACT scores for each team to be brought to the Senate.

V. Report by Gustafson on Administrative Council

The council is studying the role of Lubbock High School honors students taking courses at Tech. Proposals have been offered to allow students to take dual degrees in engineering with other schools. The final examination schedule for the summer session is incorrect as published. The days will remain the same, but the starting times will change. The revised schedule will be released soon. Dr. Medley is studying a number of operational questions in regard to admission standards and process. The state mandated 2% limit on out-of-state tuition waiver will be enforced beginning in 1988-89. Distribution of the waivers among the units of the university is to be discussed. Faculty who work with doctoral students are urged to be sure they are properly coded.

VI. Activities of the Operations Advisory Council, Fish

The council is discussing the early implementation of a new payroll system which would implement IRS Section 125 for medical expenses. Also being discussed are questions of student recruitment, a campus telecommunications plan and the motor pool.

A study of possible fee waivers for faculty taking courses revealed that such a plan is unlawful.

VII. Committee reports

Julia Whitsitt, chair of the Academic Dishonesty Task Force, reported that dishonesty is viewed as a problem on campus, but not a crisis. No radical departures from current practice in dealing with dishonesty problems is contemplated but an open discussion of the issue in class is encouraged. The Senate voted unanimously to endorse the committee's action.

Committee on Committees - Payne, chair

The Senate approved the committee's slate of nominations to fill vacancies on University Committees and Councils. The list of nominees will be forwarded to various administrators for possible appointment.

Budget Study Committee, Fish, chair, announced that additional information on salary figures related to time-in-rank, time-at-Tech and gender are being prepared. Salary for Law School faculty is included in the current report, but it is not known if UT-Austin Law School salaries are included in reports from that school.

The Senate accepted the report unanimously. (Copies of the full report are available in the Faculty Senate office for anyone to see.)

Special Issues Committee, reported by Senator Mathis, was accepted unanimously by the Senate. (Copies of the full report are available in the Faculty Senate office for anyone to see.)

Status and Welfare Committee, Ketner reporting for the committee, said the committee made a presentation to the Operations Advisory Committee urging the implementation of IRS Section 125 procedures for payment of medical claims at the earliest possible date.

Faculty Senate Study Committee "A", Pearson, chair, reported that the committee is continuing to monitor library acquisitions. Texas Tech spends about 76% of its acquisitions budget on serials and periodicals, more than many schools. For statistics, see attachment A.

Faculty Senate Study Committee "B", Ethridge, chair, presented the following resolution concerning an oversight committee for the proposed General Education Curriculum:

The committee recommendation to the Faculty Senate for recommendation to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research is that the Oversight Committee consist of three representatives from the College of Arts & Sciences and one representative from each of the other colleges (Agricultural Sciences, Architecture, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, and Home Economics.) The Arts and Sciences representatives should represent the a) arts and humanities, b) natural sciences, and c) social science areas. Representatives should be selected from the college curriculum committees and there should be an ex officio member from Academic Affairs.

The Senate endorsed the resolution.

Research Support Study Special Committee, Ketner, chair, requested that questionnaires be completed and returned to Senate office.


VIII. Announcements

Joe Sanders, University News & Publications, presented a draft policy on press conferences to be submitted to the President's Executive Council requesting that press conferences be co-ordinated through his office.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned, with the gavel presented to the Senate by former president Margaret Wilson, at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

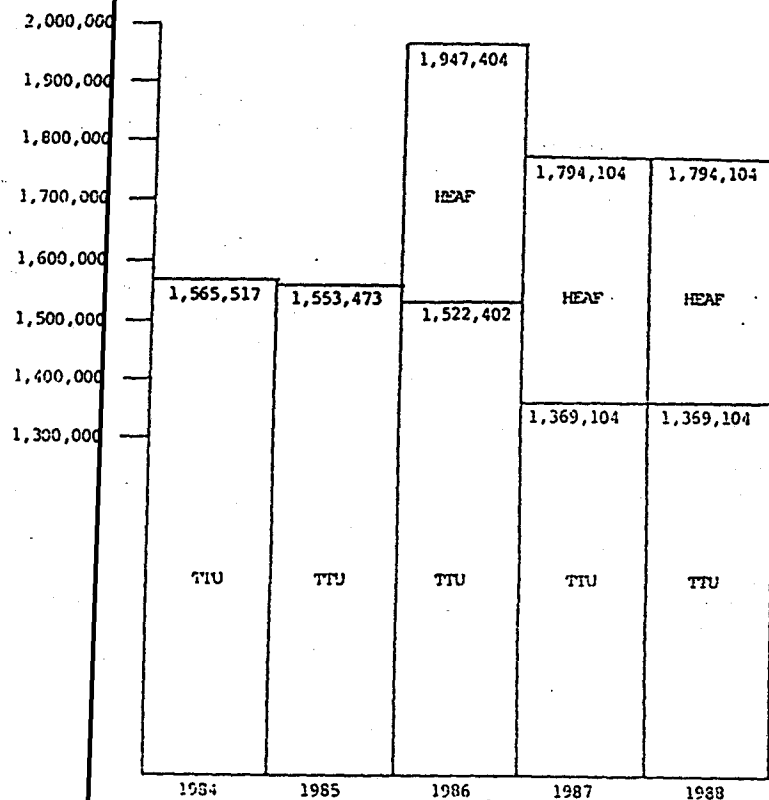

Michael Stoune
Secretary 1987-88

Library/Southwest Budget History

YEAR	LIBRARY BUDGET	DIFFERENCE	PERCENTAGE
84/85	3,890,898	+86,882	+ 2 %
85/86	3,904,294	+13,390	+ 0.34%
86/87	3,717,060 ¹	-187,234	- 4.8%
87/88	3,722,574 ²	+5,514	+ 0.14%
88/89	3,783,638 ³	+61,064	+ 1.64%

1. This is actual budget after 3% salary increase deducted from printed budget.
2. This figure includes \$51,776 merit increase not reflected on printed budget.
3. This figure reflects a salary increase of 4% (\$61,064).

ACQUISITIONS



MATERIALS BUDGET EXPENDED
LIBRARY/SOUTHWEST COLLECTION

FY	Total	Approval Plan	% of Total	Requests-Books, etc	% of Total	Standing Orders	% of Total	Period./Serials	% of Total
1983/84	14,780,999.00	289,314.00	0.20	216,295.00	0.15	163,633.00	0.11	734,014.00	0.50
1984/85	1,762,909.00	361,919.00	0.21	309,549.00	0.18	198,329.00	0.11	833,143.00	0.47
1985/86	1,915,772.00	249,387.00	0.13	323,351.00	0.17	259,200.00	0.14	1,024,834.00	0.53
1986/87	1,906,806.00	305,831.00	0.16	137,576.00	0.07	209,337.00	0.11	1,199,482.00	0.63

Explanation for Budget Sheet:

Approval Plan - Primarily books and monographs purchased by vendor from a list of topics or profile of subject matter materials which Library wants purchased. The Library can exercise discretion over these topics or profile.

Requests for books, etc. is based on individual faculty requests.

Standing Orders - Monographs or books in a series published frequently or occasionally. The Library is not able to exercise much discretion over these publications; it may either cancel or continue to receive the series.

Comparative Prices for individuals who are members of Associations, non-members, and libraries, 1988

Periodical	Individual Member	Non-member	Library
American Economic Review	\$38.50(depends on income)	53.90	\$110.00
American Political Sc. Review	40.00(depends on salary)	65.00	100.00
Caribbean Review	18.00	-----	25.00
Endocrinology	90.00	-----	145.00
FEBS Letters (Biochemistry, Biophysics, Molecular Biology)	716.00	-----	1,911.25
General Relativity and Gravitation (A Physics Journal)	105.00	-----	395.00
Journal of Politics	20.00	-----	45.00
Journal of Economic Entomology	25.00	65.00	110.00
Journal of American Chemical Society	70.00	399.00	399.00
Journal of Nutrition for the Elderly (78 pages)	36.00	85.00 Instns.	132.00
Nutrition Review (Springer) (32 pages in January issue)	37.00	-----	62.00
Linear Algebra and Applications (Elsevier)	?	?	923.00
Social Science Quarterly	20.00	36.00	45.00
Southern Quarterly (received on exchange now from University of Southern Mississippi)	9.00	-----	(no cost) \$5.00, 1981