

MINUTES OF THE CALLED FACULTY SENATE MEETING OF JUNE 29, 1988

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, June 29, 1988 in the Senate Room of the University Center with Michael Stoune, president, presiding. Senators present were Barnard, Barr, Cartwright, Couch, Coulter, Craig, Dometrius, Ethridge, Finn, Fish, Gettel, Gustafson, Hall, Hayes, Hildebrand, Hildreth, Howe, Ketner, Kimmel, McClendon, Mann, Mathis, Mehta, Peters, Peterson, Reid, Rogers, Sasser, Savage, Schoenecke, Smith, Strauss, Trost, Vann, Wagner, Westney, Whitsitt, J. Wilson and M. Wilson. Senator Rinehart is on leave. Senator Petrini was absent because of university business. Senators Bravo, Burnett, Koh, Lee, Long, Payne and Samson were absent. Senator Wood has resigned.

President Stoune called the meeting to order at 3:36 p.m. and recognized the following guests: Joe Sanders, Director, News and Publications; Katie Keifer and Bill Woodard, KLBK TV Channel 13; Kim Trainor, Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, Iskra Spencer, University Daily; Neale Pearson, Political Science and Richard A. Weaver, Theatre Arts, who served as parliamentarian.

I. Approval of the Minutes of the June 8, 1988 meeting

The following corrections were made in the attendance record of the June 8th meeting: on line 8 Peters should be Peterson. Senator Barnard was on leave from the university. Senators Petrini and Sasser were absent because of university business. The minutes were approved as corrected.

II. Reports

A. Academic Council

Senator Reid reported on items discussed there:

1. The Academic Council will hold a retreat early in the fall to consider the implementation of:
 - a. New admissions standards
 - b. The general education curriculum
 - c. TASP and necessary remedial courses.
2. Computer repairs are available through Engineering Services.
3. A "check-out" system for faculty members leaving employment at Texas Tech was discussed, to insure that no one leaves owing the University money or having library materials.
4. Preliminary guidelines for dissemination of sponsored research information was discussed.
5. Preliminary revised guidelines for selecting Horn Professors were presented. Motion was passed that would allow a faculty member holding endowed chair or professorship to retain that post if selected as a Horn Professor. Also, a criterion was added requiring that teaching be considered equally with research achievement in the selection process.

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6. A revised General Education curriculum was now proposed by the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research. It will be sent to the Faculty Senate for the September meeting, and to the Deans. (See outline of the latest draft attached with these minutes.)

B. Administrative Council

Senator Gustafson reported that the following were discussed;

1. Admissions cases
2. Degree audits with the computer system
3. Specializations withing degree programs and their status with the Coordinating Board
4. Course equivalencies for community colleges
5. Approval for classes held out of state or out of the U. S. must be approved by the Coordinating Board. Deadline for Spring 1989 courses is this August 1.
6. Summer school enrollment
7. Undergraduates taking graduate courses must meet catalog requirements.
8. Junction program review
9. Reinstatement of suspended students

C. Operations Advisory Council

Senator Fish reported that the following were discussed:

1. Upgrading of telephone and other communications systems is up for bid. Senator Strauss noted that he and two other faculty members are on the committee to review bids and recommend a contractor.
2. Budgets for 1988-89 are being put in final form. Section 125 provisions will be implemented January 1, 1989, rather than January 1, 1990, as proposed earlier by the Vice President for Finance and Administration. Senator Fish noted that appreciation is due to former Senator Uzi Mann for his persistent and effective efforts to have Section 125 implemented at the earliest practicable date.

III. Presidential Search

Senate President Stoune reported that Vice President for Development Murray is handling the logistics for the search process. Members of the search and advisory committees will be announced at the August 5 Board of Regents meeting.

Senator Reid, chair of the special committee developing criteria, presented and discussed the statement of proposed criteria for the new University President.

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Senator Margaret Wilson moved that the committee's statement be accepted and forwarded to the search and advisory committees and other appropriate bodies.

Extensive discussion followed.

The following motions and actions were offered and taken in revising the statement. The final version is attached to the minutes.

1. Senator Margaret Wilson moved that "... full professorial rank..." be included in paragraph 1. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Senator Margaret Wilson moved that appropriate departments be permitted to review candidates' credentials. After extensive discussion, amendment was defeated. Senator Kimmel moved specific wording for paragraph 1, which was passed and is shown in the final version.

3. Senator Whitsitt moved that the words, "... to determine whether each candidate meets these criteria." be added to sentence 2, paragraph 1. Motion defeated.

4. Senator Sasser moved to add "... faculty and faculty governance..." in paragraph 3. Motion passed.

5. Senator Howe moved a modification of paragraph 3 dealing with university administrative experience. Motion passed.

6. Senator Sasser moved that "... and persuasive abilities..." be added to paragraph 4. Motion defeated.

7. Senator Jane Ann Wilson moved to substitute "positions" for the second "experience" in paragraph 3. Motion defeated.

8. Senator Gettel moved that paragraph 3 be returned to its original wording. Motion defeated.

9. Senator Hayes moved addition modification to paragraph 3. Motion passed.

With no further amendments, Senator Margaret Wilson's original motion passed unanimously. The final version of the criteria statement, as attached, will be forwarded as directed.

President Stoune adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kary Mathis, Secretary 1988-89

ATTACHMENT I

Draft of General Education Curriculum Proposed by Vice President for
Academic Affairs and Research Haragan, June 21, 1988 (50-59 total hours)

I. Tools of Communication -- Language and Mathematics

6 hours written, 3 hours oral communication, 6 hours mathematics

8 hours foreign language, or 9 hours humanities/social sciences

If student has 2 years foreign language in high school, the 9
hours humanities/social sciences not required.

II. Understanding the Natural World and Modern Technology

8 hours laboratory science, 3 hours of technology (this course
not defined)

III. Societies and Cultures

6 hours American history, 6 hours political science, 3 hours
international topics, 3 hours individual/group behavior

IV. Appreciation of Literature, Visual and Performing Arts

3 hours literature, 3 hours visual/performing arts

ATTACHMENT II

The Faculty Senate recommends consideration of the following criteria in the selection of the new president.

The individual should hold a terminal academic degree and should qualify for tenure and full professorial rank. The appropriate academic departments should be permitted to review the applications of the candidates recommended by the Advisory Committee, to determine whether the candidates meet the criteria.

The individual should have demonstrated success in teaching and research with a strong commitment to academic excellence.

The individual should have broad university administrative leadership experience, preferably acquired in state-supported institutions, and a demonstrated record of working successfully with faculty and faculty governance bodies.

The individual should possess the communication skills necessary to be an effective spokesperson on behalf of the university.

The Faculty Senate strongly urges a vigorous effort to include qualified women and minority candidates in the search for a new president.