

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

June 8, 1970

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 4:13 p.m. by President Olson. A quorum was not present, hence business could not be conducted.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Lippert announced that he has again been appointed chairman of the faculty portion of the Honors Committee. He asked that members of the Senate and the faculty give serious consideration to possible candidates for honorary degrees and communicate their names to him.

Mr. Libera presented some of the background pertaining to the report of the Committee on Publications. (A copy of this report has been sent to all senators.)

It was determined that a quorum was present at 4:20 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted unanimously on motion made by Mr. Harlan and seconded by Mr. Anapol.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Proposal Concerning the Establishment of a Winterim Program (continued)

Mr. Wriston was given the floor to continue with the debate and modification of the Winterim proposal. The first topic was the revision of Item (2) (attachment to agenda).

Miss DeArmond pointed out that the Halio resolution may be at cross purposes with certain parts of the Winterim proposal to be considered for amendment.

The chair ruled that the amendments should be considered before the Halio resolution.

Mr. Denn said it is not clear to him why we are discussing this item (Item (2) of the Winterim proposal).

A motion was made by Mr. Kerner, seconded by Mr. Schweizer: RESOLVED, That it is the position of the Faculty Senate that calendar changes affecting the instructional program of the University, such as Winterim, be formally considered by the Faculty Senate prior to their establishment.

Mr. Glenn remarked that he doesn't feel the motion is appropriate so Mr. Kerner introduced the phrase "such as Winterim."

Mr. Kerner replied that he wants to introduce the position of the faculty regarding instructional matters. Mr. Finner commented that the reason for presenting this to the Senate was so the Senate would have control over the instructional matters. Mr. Harward indicated he thought that we are seeking out our authority in a very piecemeal way. There is some degree of concern about the maintenance of channels of communication. Mr. Kerner responded that because of our youth we may have to proceed in this fashion. We should probably proceed in a piecemeal fashion.

Mr. Lippert contended that the motion is out of order since it is primarily a matter of calendar, and the calendar has been set by the President.

The chair ruled the motion was in order.

Mr. Crawford called for the previous question; passed by voice vote.

The Kerner resolution was adopted by a vote of 18 ayes, 13 nays.

Mr. Mosznyski remarked that we normally give one credit for 15 hours of contact with a student. This level of intensive involvement seems like a vacation. Mr. Wriston stated that this point received much debate by the committee. We abandoned any attempt to balance the books.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosznyski, seconded by Mr. Comings, to change one credit to up to three credits and eliminate all of the sentence after the word "basis."

Mr. Denn questioned Mr. Mosznyski's understanding of the assignment of credits; usually the level of effort measured in hours may be three or four times the number of credit hours.

Mr. Glenn proposed that there were two hypotheses implied in the discussion. The first one is that students are deeply committed to obtaining an education and traditional means do not satisfy this. The second is that students are interested in additional vacation and Winterim is a face-saving device. We should try Winterim as an experiment to see which hypothesis is correct.

Mr. Lippert called for the question. 18 ayes 14 nays. Question defeated.

Mr. Crawford stated that we need to determine who determines the credit hours.

Mr. Worthen suggested that the following be added after the word "basis": the number of credit hours to be determined by the appropriate Winterim committee.

Mr. Glenn remarked that this approach may cause the program to reflect no change in educational methods because the departments still control the requirement. He finds his students are illiterate in the sciences. He would like to see courses offered in the ideas of the hard sciences on a no-credit basis.

Mr. Williams was also concerned with the ideas Mr. Glenn had just remarked on, but pointed out that the basic philosophy of the document centers the program in the departments. Furthermore, credit is important to motivation in the hard sciences. Mr. Crawford suggested that in general the soft scientist has a fear of the hard science course. Mr. Salsbury indicated he thought that the amendment promotes the idea of a mini-semester.

Mr. Harlan called for the previous question; passed by voice vote.

Vote on the Moszynski motion: 9 ayes, 27 nays. Motion defeated.

Mr. Brown called for the question on Item (2).

Item (2) vote: 27 ayes, 8 nays, 1 abstention. Item passed.

Mr. Wriston read Item (3). There was no debate on this item. Vote on Item (3): passed unanimously.

Mr. Wriston read Item (4).

The following motion was made by Mr. Salsbury, seconded by Mr. Weil: RESOLVED, That faculty participation be made voluntary and that as a substitute for participation in Winterim they may elect to pursue their own research.

Mr. Crawford suggested that the motion was frivolous. Mr. Denn emphasized that he is still worried about the fact that the many previously mentioned problems will still be available for faculty consideration. It may well absorb the faculty members' time during the Winterim period, just trying to figure out what happened in the shortened semester and why. This amendment is to the point. Mr. Williams pointed out that we are committed to a Winterim. There is concern that voluntary participation may lead to the failure of the program. Miss Carl said that it appeared to her that there are a number of faculty interested in Winterim and some who are not. Perhaps this period could also include some committee activity.

Mr. Salsbury withdrew his motion with the agreement of the seconder.

A motion was made by Mr. Anapol, seconded by Mr. Schweizer, that the word "encouraged" be substituted for "required," in Item (4). Mr. Sasser called for the question; passed by voice vote. Vote on Anapol motion: 15 ayes, 21 nays. Motion defeated.

Vote on Item (4): 29 ayes, 2 nays, 4 abstentions. Item (4) passed. Question on Item (4) had been called for by Mr. Brown; passed voice vote.

Mr. Wriston read items (5), (6), and (7).

Mr. Schweizer made the following motion and subsequently withdrew it: RESOLVED, That in special cases students be expected to incur all of the additional costs of special programs.

Mr. Dilley remarked that (5), (6), and (7) are informational only for administrative purposes.

A motion was made by Mr. Kerner, seconded by Mr. Glenn, to change "standing committee" to "ad hoc committee" in Item (8) (following the underscored portion of the paragraph), and that the membership be changed to include two members at large elected by and from the Faculty Senate. (Accepted without debate.)

Miss Kennedy supported the amendment as a safeguard in the Senate interest.

Mr. Lippert called for the question; passed by a voice vote.

Vote on Kerner motion: passed by a voice vote.

Vote on Item (8). Passed by a voice vote.

A motion was made by Mr. Bown to accept Item (9), seconded by Mr. Salsbury. Passed by voice vote.

Mr. Wriston read the Halio motion and indicated that it needed a sponsor to be presented in this meeting.

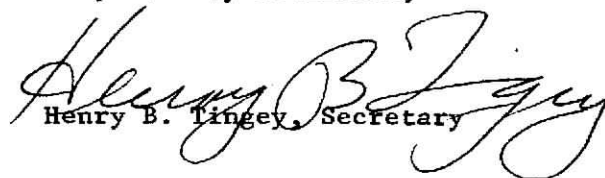
A motion was made by Mr. Anapol, seconded by Mr. Glenn, to refer the Halio resolution to the Winterim Committee. Mr. Salsbury indicated that he would like to act on the Halio motion now. The chair ruled this motion may change the Winterim program, and therefore should be handled by the committee.

Mr. Lippert's call for the question was passed by voice vote.

Vote on Anapol motion: 31 ayes, 7 nays. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Miss Eyman, seconded by Mr. Lippert, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Henry B. Tingey, Secretary