REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

December 2, 1974

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate was called to order at 4:05 PM. Senators not in attendance were:

Julio Acunha
Joseph T. Bockrath
Richard I. Dick
Jack D. Ellis
Theodore M. Feely, Jr.

Helen Gouldner
Irwin G. Greenfield
Harry D. Hutchinson
Mohammed Ilyas
Asa B. Pieratt

Arlette I. Rasmussen Judith A. Runkle Richard W. Tarpley Roger S. Ulrich Raymond Wolters

The agenda as distributed was adopted by general consent, as were the minutes of the regular meeting of November 4, 1974.

Prof. Madelynn Oglesby, Chairperson, Committee on Committees, reported on the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee on Tenure Policy being charged to develop a tenure policy to be considered by the Senate at its February meeting, and to establish procedures for faculty input into and review of the policy prior to its consideration by the Senate. Their report will be transmitted to the Senate through the Committee on Promotions and Tenure. The Ad Hoc Committee consists of: Reed Geiger, Chairman; John Beer; Allen Granda; Dorothy Moser; Jane Porter; Norfleet Rives; and Jack Robinson.

The Committee on Undergraduate Studies has planned an open hearing for Tuesday, December 3, 1974, in 120 Smith Hall at 4 PM, on the proposed B.S. Degree Program in Nuclear Medicine Technology.

The Coordinating Committee on Education reviewed the procedures for an evaluation of the Winter Session. At their recommendation, the Committee on Committees decided not to form a special committee, but to ask department chairmen and faculty to submit their evaluations to the Coordinating Committee on Education where they will be reviewed and reported to the Senate.

Prof. L. Mosberg had received a letter from Dr. Samuel Lenher, Chairman, University of Delaware Board of Trustees, in regards to the resolution passed by the Senate concerning faculty representation on Board of Trustee committees. Dr. Lenher advised that the resolution would be discussed at the Executive Committee of the Board and then go to the full Board at its meeting of December 14 where it would receive every consideration.

Prof. Sheila McMahon, Chairperson, Committee on Rules, reported on the proposal to grant released time to the President and Secretary of the University Faculty Senate. Following a discussion of the proposal, Prof. F. Loren Smith made the following motion, changing last paragraph of the proposal to read:

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Be it resolved that the University of Delaware Faculty Senate request that the appropriate deans and department chairmen be encouraged to grant released time for the President and Secretary of the Senate if requested by them to do so.

The motion was seconded, and when brought to a vote passed. The resolution as amended passed. (Full resolution attached.)

Prof. John Mather, Chairperson, Committee on Graduate Studies, reported on changes for the Graduate College, as unanimously approved by the Committee. Dean McDaniel made a motion to change "minimum of six hours" in second sentence of Recommendation 3 of the report, to "an average of six hours." The motion was seconded but was defeated when put to a vote.

Prof. John McLaughlin made a motion to strike the last sentence in Recommendation 3 of the report. The motion was seconded and when put to a vote passed.

Recommendation 3, as amended, and Recommendation 4 passed, and are attached.

Prof. John McLaughlin, Member, Committee on Committees, reported on the resolution concerning faculty responsibilities on committees and boards outside of the Faculty Senate. Following a short discussion, the resolution passed. (Attached)

President E. A. Trabant spoke to the Senate about the present state of the Council on Program Evaluation (COPE). He stated that honest concerns had developed on the campus from different segments of the community. The professional employees of the University were concerned that if programs were to be evaluated, so would individuals. This then deals with a person's future and employment. Some staff employees were concerned that in trying to be more efficient, the number of jobs would be cut down.

There was a concern that there was not a real clear concept of what COPE was about; that COPE wasn't an evaluation of programs but an attempt to form recommendations on preconceived judgments: i.e., using COPE as a mechanism to legitimatize previously-drawn conclusions. Another concern was that COPE wasn't an attempt to evaluate programs but an attempt for faculty to extend their authority into other areas of the University.

Going into another area, President Trabant indicated there are responsibilities of officers of the University for which they report directly to the Board of Trustees or report to the Board through the President. It was viewed by some that COPE evaluations and recommendations would be a violation of this concept at the University.

President Trabant has consistently been of the opinion that it would be possible to define the role of COPE and has written to the Provost with a copy

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to Prof. Schweizer, his views on how it would be possible to take into account these concerns of colleagues on the campus. He has not had the opportunity to discuss these views with the Provost or Prof. Schweizer.

Prof. E. Schweizer, Chairman, COPE, informed the Senate that the President's views would be discussed by COPE and reported to the President or the Provost. (COPE reports directly to the Provost, not the Senate.)

Mr. Fred Schrank, undergraduate senator, read a letter from Sharon Feucht, President, Mortar Board, regarding a meeting on December 3, 1974, on methods used in awarding honors. (Attached)

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.

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Sheila A. McMahon, Secretary University Faculty Senate

Attachments (4)

RELEASE TIME FOR PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

Whereas the proper execution of responsibilities by the President and Secretary of the University Faculty Senate as defined in Section IV of the Constitution and Section L of the Bylaws necessitates considerable time involvement,

And whereas these officers should be able to carry out their duties effectively without placing undue burden on them,

Be it resolved that the University of Delaware Faculty Senate request that the appropriate deans and department chairmen be encouraged to grant released time for the President and Secretary of the Senate if requested by them to do so.

CHANGES FOR GRADUATE COLLEGE

- 1. On-campus Research (On-campus Sustaining) 898 and 998 should be eliminated.
- 2. Off-campus Sustaining 899 and 999--the \$25 and \$50 charge per semester, respectively, will continue.
- 3. While On-campus, using the University and facilities, a graduate student must register for a minimum of three course credit hours a semester and three hours in one Summer Session. Teaching assistants and graduate assistants must register for a minimum of six hours and graduate fellows for a minimum of nine course credit hours in the Fall and Spring semesters each.
- 4. The graduate student standing for a doctoral degree must have completed nine hours either of 868 (doctoral research) or 969 (doctoral dissertation) or a combination thereof. The graduate student standing for a thesis-option Master's degree must have completed six hours of 868 (Master's Research) or 869 (Master's Thesis) in addition to the twenty-four course hours, the minimum number required for the degree. (Similarly, it should be noted that, while some non-thesis Master's degree programs require more than thirty hours, the minimum number of course hours required for a non-thesis degree program is thirty.)

FACULTY RESPONSIBILITIES ON COMMITTEES AND BOARDS OUTSIDE OF THE FACULTY SENATE

WHEREAS Provost Campbell has included the Senate Committee on Computer Policy on the University Advisory Committee on Computer Policy, and

WHEREAS Provost Campbell has indicated his recognition of the need for faculty input in University policy decisions,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate commends the Provost for these actions and attitudes, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that faculty members sitting on such University committees continue to exercise their responsibility to the University Faculty Senate.

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Dear

The methods for awarding honors at the University have been challenged several times during the last few years. This year the women of Mortar Board want to talk about the problems involved in awarding honors and discuss possible alternatives at an open meeting. Therefore, we are inviting you to attend a meeting on University high and highest honors. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 1974 at 7:30 P.M. in the Rodney Room of the Student Center.

Some of the special guests who will be at the meeting to answer questions are Dr. Mark Sharnoff, Chairman of the Honors Committee; Dr. William Cashin, Coordinator of Testing and Evaluation and Dr. Wilfred Pemberton, Counseling Center. We also hope to have with us a representative from the Educational Testing Service; Dr. Lindy Geis, Psychology; and Dr. Robert Taggart, Education.

Some of the questions we hope to have answered are:
What is the history of University honors? How are honors
awarded now? How did the results of the Pemberton report
lead to the administration of the Undergraduate Record Examinations?
What is the standard error of measurement for the U.R.E.? What
do present honors award, potential or performance? Does the
present system accurately indicate those who deserve honors?
What are alternative methods of giving special honors? How do
other universities award honors? Should the methods used at
other universities be used at the University of Delaware?

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President, Mortar Board