

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

March 3, 1975

MINUTES

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

Mary K. Carl	Robert C. Hodson	Richard Norman
Theodore M. Feely, Jr.	Herbert B. Kingsbury	John Pikulski
W. Bruce Finnie	Arnold L. Lippert	Robert M. Stark
William S. Gaither	Dorothy Louise	Richard W. Tarpley
Irwin G. Greenfield	Gerard J. Mangone	Edward A. Trabant
George F. W. Haenlein	Daniel C. Neale	John E. Worthen

In May, 1974, the Committee on Promotions and Tenure recommended a tenure policy to the Senate and circulated it to all faculty for comment. The Senate returned the proposal to the Committee for reworking in September, 1974. In November, an ad hoc committee was appointed to rework the policy. In seeking the advice of all faculty members in advance of submitting a final proposal to the Senate at its April meeting, the revised policy has been distributed to faculty with provisions for faculty to indicate approval or disapproval of the policy. Professor Mosberg requested the Senators to encourage the faculty in their units to respond.

The Committee on Undergraduate Studies is holding an open hearing this month to consider the proposed General Major in Health Sciences. Professor Mosberg encouraged the Senators to attend the hearing so if they have questions they can be answered at the open hearing rather than going through it again in the Senate.

Professors Harry D. Hutchinson and Lucia M. Palmer were unanimously approved as replacements for Professors J. Acunha and J. Wriston on the Nominating Committee. Professor Arlette Rasmussen agreed to serve as Chairperson.

The Senate received a report on the state of the evaluation of teaching effectiveness. Professor W. Latham, Chairperson, Ad Hoc Committee on Teaching Effectiveness, reminded the Senate that their charge was to report only, that no recommendations were made at this time. The Committee looked at measures being used in the evaluation of teaching effectiveness. Many of the questions raised from the floor will be defined when the Committee makes recommendations. The discussion of the report centered around the definition of "Teaching Effectiveness," how teaching effectiveness is used in promotion decisions, and the criteria used for effective teaching.

Professor Mosberg reported for the Executive Committee's resolution concerning energy use in the University community. The resolution points out that not only have fuel costs gone up but further pressures are put on crude oil and change in rate structure. The Commission on Energy Use,

created by President Trabant, has requested that various units make suggestions as to how the University can save on energy. The Executive Committee, through the resolution, is asking that the faculty communicate their ideas to the Executive Committee for transmission to the Commission as well as requesting the City of Newark to make every possible effort to avoid any special increase in the electric rates charged the University of Delaware. It would be the intention of the Executive Committee that, if passed, a copy of the resolution would be sent to members of the Newark City Council.

A motion was made and seconded to change "minimize" to "any special increase." The motion passed.

Mr. Asa Pieratt made the following motion:

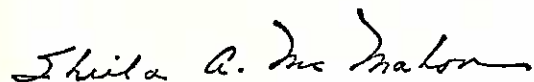
"We urge the members of the University community to write their legislators stating that increased tariffs on imported oil and freeing the price at the well head are both regressive and unnecessary."

Professor Wolters raised the question of whether the motion was a minor modification or a major new piece of business. Professor Smith, Parliamentarian, interpreted the motion to be a new and separate motion. The Chair preferred to leave the amendment and have the Senate decide on its appropriateness. The Senate opposed the ruling of the Chair. A call for question on the original motion was made. The resolution passed unanimously and is attached.

Professor Edward E. Schweizer, Chairperson, Council on Program Evaluation (COPE), reported on the Council's activities. COPE met last summer and devised several questionnaires which were sent out in March and May. On the basis of questionnaires, COPE decided to examine eight departments this year. After not having received responses to the Administrative questionnaires by September, COPE communicated with President Trabant in trying to resolve the issue, and on September 20, COPE decided there was no way they could resolve the issue and the Council resigned en masse. Resignations were never accepted by Provost Campbell. At that point, COPE rewrote the original Senate Bill 105 and submitted it to President Trabant to see if it was possible to live under the rewritten version. He responded on November 26 by supporting that COPE could operate with a series of task forces. COPE determines nature of task forces and requests the departments involved to examine lists to see if the individuals are acceptable to the department. If the department thinks that there are some who are not acceptable, then COPE revises the list or decides whether they wish to revise the list. This list is sent to Provost Campbell to examine the individual departments. President Trabant responded on November 26 with a suggestion on which the composition of the administrative task force should be determined. COPE and Provost Campbell met with President Trabant on December 13 and with the exchange of several letters thereafter, decided to resume operations. COPE is operating under the original Senate Bill 105 which allows COPE to carry out its examinations involving task forces which report to COPE. Administrative task forces will report to President Trabant, Provost Campbell and COPE. Task forces for academic programs will

make recommendations on the basis of that report. At present there are three task forces operating: Joseph H. Noggle chairing the task force examining Mathematics; Dorothy Kennedy chairing the task force examining Business Administration; and Charles Birchenall chairing the task force examining Economics. The plan is to examine Security, Placement, Graduate College, Contracts and Grants, Instructional Resources Center, and Residence Life. The guidelines for evaluation of the administrative units will be developed as was done for the academic departments.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.



Sheila A. McMahon, Secretary
University Faculty Senate

Attachment

RESOLUTION CONCERNING ENERGY USE

WHEREAS the cost of fuel and electricity to the University of Delaware has increased significantly, and,

WHEREAS the import tax on crude oil will result in significant additional costs and,

WHEREAS the City of Newark is contemplating a significant increase in the electric rate charged to the University of Delaware and,

WHEREAS these increased costs will substantially affect the academic quality of the University,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the University Faculty Senate request all members of the University community to be vigilant in the conservation of electricity and fuel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the faculty of the University of Delaware are urged to communicate to the Senate Executive Committee their suggestions concerning the savings of energy at the University for transmission to the University President's Commission on Energy Use, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the faculty of the University of Delaware request the City of Newark to make every possible effort to avoid any special increase in the electric rates charged the University of Delaware so that the University may continue to provide the people of the State of Delaware with a University of excellence without putting the cost of education beyond the reach of the citizens of the State.

Submitted by:

Executive Committee of the
University Faculty Senate

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