

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

November 7, 1977

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate was called to order at 4:00 p.m. with President Pikulski presiding. Senators not in attendance were:

Donald Crossan	Franklin Newman	Henry Tingey
Tom Griffith	Asa Pieratt	Peter Warter
David Hallenbeck	Billy Ross	Thomas Watson
Charles Marler	Lloyd Spielman	

Senators excused: Lee Anderson, Alexander Doberenz, Ivo Dominguez and Edward Kerner.

I. Adoption of the Agenda. There were no objections and the agenda was adopted as distributed.

II. Approval of the Minutes. Secretary Van Name announced that Senators Boyer and Morrison were present at the October 3 meeting; there were no other corrections and the Minutes of the September 12 and October 3, 1977 meetings were approved as written.

III. Remarks by President Trabant. President Trabant reviewed the University's request to the State for supporting funds, and asked that the University Report summary be read with care. He called attention to the fact that figures could be misleading if the categories being compared were not consistent from year to year. He also noted that in preparing its budget the State does not always use the University's "best guess" estimates for costs related to such programs as FICA, TIAA, pensions and so forth, and that there is probably a difference between what is on the University request forms, what is in the budget the State adopts, and what is actually spent by the State in these categories. In response to a question from Senator Finner, Pres. Trabant stated that the State does not publish the figure for its actual expenditures in related costs, and that the University gets its estimates "after the fact," from its own payroll figures from the previous year.

Remarks by Provost Campbell. Provost Campbell announced that Professor Gerard Mangone had accepted the post of Interim University Coordinator for Graduate Studies.

IV. Announcements. Pres. Pikulski announced that the committees on Faculty Welfare and Privileges and on Budget Review would have a recommendation for the December Senate meeting in response to Pres. Trabant's request for advice on the University's financial disclosure policy. He also noted that two groups, the School of Life and Health Sciences and the Steering Committee of the Arts and Science Senate, had referred items to the Senate, and he encouraged others to do the same. Pres. Pikulski announced the membership of the Honors Advisory Board, faculty nominees for representatives to Board of Trustees committee meetings, new Senate committee appointments by the Provost and the UDCC, and the names of the undergraduate senators. (Announcements are attached)

V. Old Business - none.

VI. New Business. Items A, B and C were introduced by Prof. Kwart, Chairperson of the Committee on Graduate Studies which had developed the resolutions in consultation with the Committee on Committees.

Item A, a resolution regarding the duties and membership of the Committee on Graduate Studies, was introduced, with a number of changes to the recommendation as it was given on the Agenda. The chair ruled that the recommended motion was not on the floor until the committee presented it, and that it would be the changed version which would be on the floor for consideration. Several additional changes were proposed from the floor, and after much discussion a motion was introduced and seconded to refer the item back to the Graduate Studies Committee and the Committee on Committees; the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Prof. Kwart then introduced A-prime, a resolution to amend the by-laws to provide for committee terms longer than 2 years, as was called for in Item A. A motion was made and seconded to call the question; the motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Provost Campbell asked a point of order, calling attention to the fact that A-prime called for a change in the by-laws. The chair ruled that the A-prime resolution was out of order because it moved to a general consideration of the by-laws, and no previous notice of such a change had been given.

Item B, a resolution regarding the charge to the Committee on Graduate Studies, was introduced by Prof. Kwart. A motion was made and seconded to amend the third line of the resolution by substituting "status" for "progress"; the amendment was approved by voice vote, with one "nay." A discussion followed on the report called for in the resolution, and a number of changes were suggested. Senator Sharnoff made a motion to refer Item B back to the committees; the motion was seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Item C, a resolution regarding the appointment and responsibilities of the proposed University Graduate Officer, was introduced. Prof. Kwart stated that the resolution was essentially the same as the recommendations in the Report of the Interim Governing Board which the Senate had adopted in principle in October, except that the word "evaluation" had been replaced by "review" in two places and deleted in a third. After some discussion Senator Sharnoff made a motion, which was seconded, to return Item C to the committees. In response to a suggestion from the floor the discussion was continued to allow the senators to raise questions and to provide comments and suggestions for the committees' re-writing of the resolution. Comments and questions were offered regarding several items, including the Graduate Policy Statement, the role of the Director of Research, and the origins, routing and content of the annual reports.

Prof. Kwart stated the dissatisfaction of the Graduate Studies Committee with the title "Coordinator of Graduate Studies" which the Provost had chosen, and said that the committee regarded this as a complete departure from the sense and principles adopted in the October 3 resolution of the Senate. He reviewed the concept of graduate officer as it had been evolved by the Interim Governing Board and the Graduate Studies Committee, and said that in August Pres. Trabant had stated to them that the title of "Coordinator" was not appropriate to the high purposes and duties to be invested in the university officer for graduate studies as described in the Report. Prof. Kwart concluded by urging that the title "Coordinator" be withdrawn and that a title be used which was more in keeping with the powers and authority of the office as they were stipulated in the IGB Report. Pres. Trabant responded that while he had preferred the earlier title, the Provost had chosen to use the title "University Coordinator of Graduate Studies" for the interim title, and the appointment of the interim "Coordinator" did allow for movement and consideration in the restructuring of the Graduate College.

Pres. Pikulski then called for the vote on the motion to return Item C to the committees and the motion was approved by unanimous voice vote with no abstentions.

Item D, discussion of the Board of Trustees' resolution recommending the establishment of a Delaware Board of Regents, was opened by Pres. Pikulski, who said that the Executive Committee had indicated to the President and the Board their disappointment that there had been no faculty input to the Board's proposal. He also said that the President had asked that the Senate consider and endorse the proposal, and the matter had been sent to the Coordinating Committee on Education with a request that they develop a recommendation for the Senate's position with respect to the Board's resolution.

He then called on Pres. Trabant, who reviewed the background of the Board's action and said that their proposal had been developed in response to the establishment by Governor duPont of a Commission on the Future of Education in Delaware. He described the composition and charge of the Commission, and explained why the officers of the Board had felt it necessary to develop some ideas on the subject of different control of education in the State than currently exists. The result had been the resolution proposing a Delaware Board of Regents which was approved by the Board of Trustees on October 14, and which was subsequently approved by the Boards of the other state-supported institutions of higher education. Pres. Trabant stated that he had sent the materials regarding the Governor's Commission to the Senate officers in September, but that he had not told them about the October 14 special meeting of the Board because he had not known about it in time.

Pres. Trabant said that the Board of Regents as it is proposed in the resolution would result in only two changes in current practices: all new degree programs would go to that Board for consideration, and all budget requests to the State, operating and capital, would be reviewed by the Board which would then make its recommendations to the State.

Prof. Oglesby asked what the advantages and disadvantages of the proposal would be for the University of Delaware. Pres. Trabant responded that the advantages would be that it would make the University and its administration responsible to a larger group, it would keep control of education within educators' hands and would not create a separate governmental body which would not be responsible for carrying out the decisions it made, and the creation of a Board of Regents would not increase the State budget. He listed the disadvantages as being the difficulty of communicating University activities to the larger body, the added layer of exposure that might make it more difficult to find people willing to serve on the Board of Regents and the possibility that they might not have the same sense of commitment to the University that they have now.

Prof. Woo, a member of the Board of Trustees, said that the Board members had had very little time to consider the proposal before the meeting at which it was passed and that, given more time, they might have responded differently. Pres. Trabant responded that this was true but that, although one was free to question their judgment, it had been the decision of the officers and the Executive Committee of the Board that it was necessary to respond quickly. He added that he felt that the Faculty Senate too often waited to react and did not often enough develop recommendations that others could react to.

Senator Sharnoff asked whether the proposed Board of Regents' responsibility for operating and capital funds would have any implications about sharing funds which might carry some opportunity to affect control of endowment funds of the University, and Pres. Trabant responded that although the Board of Trustees' past record was 100% in not giving out information that they didn't want to give out, the proposal would

make it more difficult to keep endowment and salary information confidential.

Senator Shurtleff made a motion for adjournment, which was seconded, and the meeting was declared adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Judith Van Name
Secretary
University Faculty Senate

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Attachment: Announcements

HONORS ADVISORY BOARD

Allmendinger, David F. - History
Barrose, Ellen - Director, Harrington A/B
Beaman, Denise - 301 Thorn Lane, Apt. 11, Newark
Bergman, John G. - Mathematics
Bischoff, Kenneth B. - Chemical Engineering
Bowen, Zack - English
Crawford, J. Steven - Art History
Dawson, John M. - Director, Library
Drossin, Lorraine - 109 Rodney E
Hutchinson, Harry D. - Economics
Kliman, Deborah S. - Child Development
Kravis, Jeffrey - Resident Coordinator, Rodney Complex
Leszczynsky, JoAnn - Belmont Hall
McGhan, Barbara H. - Admissions
Meloy, Michael M. - 302 Harrington E
Munson, Burnaby - Chemistry
Murray, Frank B. - Educational Foundations
O'Grady, Kathy - 206 Harrington C
Robertson, Adelle - Continuing Education
Sasser, Myron - Plant Science
Sharkey, Sturart J. - Housing and Residence Life
Shurtleff, Byron - Art
Spencer, Norrine - College of Business and Economics
Wenger, Ronald H. - College of Arts and Science

BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMITTEES
AND FACULTY REPRESENTATIVES

Committee on Education and Training: Allan Thompson; Willard Fletcher
(alternates: Ulrich Toensmeyer; Ludwig Mosberg)
Committee on Agriculture: R.L. Salsbury; Donald Fieldhouse
(alternates: William Liebhardt; Ernest Walpole)
Committee on Grounds and Buildings: Robert Uffelman; Daniel Teis
(alternates: Charles Bulnes; George Nocito)
Executive Committee: John Pikulski; T.E.D. Braun
(alternates: Byron Shurtleff; Judy Van Name)
Committee on Finance: John Pikulski; Ralph Kleinman
(alternates: Byron Shurtleff; Judy Van Name)
Committee on Student Affairs: F. Loren Smith; Michael Greenberg
(alternates: Elaine Safer; Charles Marler)
Physical Education, Recreation and Athletics: Jack O'Neill; Mary Ann Hitchens-Campbell
(alternates: Barbara Kelly; Nancy King)

SENATE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

John J. Hurt replaces Barbara Gates as the appointee of the Vice President for Academic Affairs to the Senate Committee on Educational Innovation and Planning.

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UDCC Appointments to Faculty Senate Committees

- Academic Ceremonies - Laurie Burkon, 5B Wharton Drive, Apt. 5 (738-9587)
- Academic Freedom - Lou Agostini, 714 Christiana East (738-8261)
- Academic Services - Martha Higgins, 120 Wilbur Street, Apt. D-1 (731-8453)
- Adjunct Academic Affairs - Jeff Cuskey, 19 Amstel Avenue (366-9125)
Nancianne Doyle, 110 Thompson (366-9150)
- Beverage Alcohol - Charles Angalet, 712 Colgate Lane (731-9529)
Abbe Haftel, 27B Victoria Mews (737-3602)
- Cultural Activities - Lisa Gander, Gilbert D, Room 100 (366-9246)
Brian Mahaney, 202 Pencader D (738-1331)
Rose Mili, 406 Dickinson C (366-9320)
- Educational Innovation & Planning - Cheryl Hertzell, 308 Rodney D (366-9303)
Lynn Jezierney, 200 Kent (366-9204)
- Fine Arts & Exhibitions - Amy Butz, 400 Dickinson C (366-9320)
Cheryl Judd, 101 Dickinson C (366-9324)
- Instructional Resources - Andrea Krenpasky, 402 Dickinson C (366-9320)
- Library Committee - Sue Vergara, 17 New Street, Apt. 2 (737-2788)
- Performing Arts - Carol Golder, 318 Dickinson C (738-8513)
Mary Ruth, 315 Rodney B (366-9296)
- Physical Planning & Utilization - Doug Canfield, 109 Harrington C (366-9227)
- Speakers Board - Terry Steele, 121 Gilbert D (366-9246)
Pinar Tezcan, 312 New Castle (366-9201)
- Student and Faculty Honors - Brian Downie, 211 Thorn Lane, Apt. 11 (366-1636)
Dave Weinberg, 1314 Christiana W (738-1784)
- Student Life - Diane Carnese, 202 Gilbert D (366-9245)
Sue Gamel, 404 Dickinson C (366-9320)
Chuck McKeever, 15 Kent Way (366-9116)
- Undergraduate Studies - Mark Averbach, 1314 Christiana W (738-1784)
Sue DeCastro, 120 Wilbur St., Apt. D-5 (738-9254)
Alan Harwick, 14 Prospect Avenue (368-1731)
- Visiting Scholars - Donna Barwise, 211 Dickinson D (366-9326)
Ken Mammarella, 110 Dickinson B (366-9319)

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- Tom Griffith - 153 Courtney Street, Newark, DE 19711 (366-9593)
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