REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

November 5, 1979

MINUTES

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

Irwin Greenfield                Charles Marler               John Pikulski
Ralph Howard                   Joseph Noggle

Senators excused were: Richard Agnello, Thomas Brill, Jeffrey Davidson, Ivo Dominguez, Anne McCourt, Mary Ann Miller, Allen Morehart, Joseph Noggle.

I. Adoption of the Agenda. In the absence of objection, the Agenda was adopted as presented.

II. Approval of the Minutes. Senate Secretary Toensmeyer made the following corrections to the Minutes:

September 10, p. 4, Item D, line 5: the last word should be changed from "courses" to "credits."

October 1, p. 3, Item VI should be titled "Old Business."

There were no further corrections or additions, and the Minutes were accepted as corrected.

Senate Secretary Toensmeyer also called the Senate's attention to a correction to be made to the 1979-80 list of Senate committees; on p. 1, under "Academic Complaints," the charge should read: This committee shall have the sole purpose of serving as a University Review Committee advisory to the Vice President for Academic Affairs as Step 3 of the Academic Complaint Procedure.

III. Remarks by President Trabant. President Trabant reviewed the interim organizational changes which were announced after the resignation of Vice President Worthen. He described as now permanent the following changes: 1) the Purchasing Office will report to the Office of the University Treasurer; 2) the Director of Security and Safety will report to the Vice President for Personnel and Employee Relations; and 3) the Office of University Relations will report to the University President. With regard to the remaining interim arrangements, President Trabant said that he had sought a variety of input from the University community and, based on the advice received to date, he has made two decisions: 1) the level of the position will be that of vice president, and the skills and qualifications of the person who is chosen will determine what the responsibilities of the office will be; and 2) he would like to fill the position with someone who is already a part of the campus community.

President Trabant also announced the creation of a group to advise him on filling the position, consisting of: Dean Doberenz and Professors Robert Varrin, Richard Vosecky, Donald Harward and Henry Tingley. The President said he would like to be able to select the new vice president before the end of the academic semester.
and prior to the holiday break, but if this is not possible he would wait to make
the announcement until 2 or 3 weeks into the second semester, when everyone is back
on campus.

In response to a question from Senator Summerton, President Trabant said that,
in addition to the opportunity for student input through the President's Council and
through direct communication, there would also be a chance for students to interview
and talk with the vice presidential candidates.

Remarks by Provost Campbell. Provost Campbell announced the appointment of
Ms. Susan Brynteson as Director of Libraries. Ms. Brynteson will take office on
February 16, and will spend 2 or 3 days a month on campus until then.

IV. Announcements. President Smith announced a minor in Public Administration.
Prof. Vukelich, chair of the Committee on Undergraduate Studies, made a correction
to the minor as it appeared in Attachment 1 of the Agenda: the total hours required
should be 18, not 15. In the absence of challenge, President Smith declared the
minor approved as corrected.

President Smith introduced a request from the ad hoc Committee to Evaluate
the President that their membership be expanded to seven to include Prof. Kleinman,
now a Past President. In the absence of objections President Smith declared the
request approved.

V. Old Business. There was no Old Business.

VI. New Business.

Item A, a request for approval for the awarding of an honorary degree of
Doctor of Humane Letters, was presented by Prof. Homer, faculty member of the
Trustee/Faculty Committee on Honorary Degrees. A motion was made and seconded for
Senate confirmation of the Committee's recommendation; there was no discussion and
the motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Item B, a request for confirmation of a proposed slate of appointments to the
Council on Program Evaluation (COPE) was introduced by President Smith. A motion
for confirmation was made and seconded; there was no discussion and the following
appointments were confirmed by voice vote:

Professor Raymond Wolters, History
(to replace Professor Edward Schweizer as Chairperson of the Council)
Dr. John H. Bishop, Counseling
Professor Zack Bower, English
Andrew Willison, Undergraduate Student, Business Administration.

Senator Braun requested that the Senate extend its congratulations to Prof.
Schweizer who, as the only chair of the Council until now, has devoted a tremendous
amount of time to it. President Smith agreed to convey those sentiments to Prof.
Schweizer.

Item C, a recommendation for the establishment of a "CSC" (Center for Science
and Culture) course designation, was introduced by Prof. O'Neill, chair of the
Coordinating Committee on Education. President Smith noted that it was not new
courses that were being proposed, but approval for a change to a new designation in the title of the courses. Prof. Martin, a member of the faculty of the Center for Science and Culture, added that the "CSC" designation would replace "HLS" (Division of Life and Health Sciences) and would more accurately identify the courses. Senator Mangone said he thought the new designation was less specific than the old, and expressed his concern that other units might want new designations for their courses, leading to less coordination and adding to the problems of duplication and overlap of courses. Senator Vincent responded that 1) the "CSC" designation had been reviewed and approved by the Committee on Courses and Curriculum of the School of Life and Health Sciences, and 2) there was precedent, in the Department of Languages and Literature for example, for using such letter designations to indicate a particular body of information.

There was no further discussion and the following was approved by unanimous voice vote:

RESOLVED, that a "CSC" designation be established for approved courses offered by the School of Life and Health Sciences, Center for Science and Culture.

Item D, a recommendation to change the membership of the Committee on Student and Faculty Honors, was introduced by Prof. Kingsbury, chair of the Committee on Committees. He explained that--as it is presently constituted the Committee on Student and Faculty Honors has a position for a member from the Office of Graduate Studies, but since there is no longer a designated graduate faculty there is no one to serve in this position. There was no discussion and the following was approved by voice vote:

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Bylaws, Section III, Committee on Student and Faculty Honors (Handbook p. I-19), last paragraph, be changed to read as follows:

It shall consist of one member from each college, one of whom shall be chairperson; two undergraduate students and one graduate student; and an appointee of the President.

Item E, a request for confirmation of appointments to Senate committees, was also introduced by Professor Kingsbury, chair of the Committee on Committees. There was no discussion and in the absence of objection President Smith declared unanimous consent for confirmation of the following nominations:

Committee on Research: Arthur Metzner, chair
Committee on Instructional Resources: Gerald Culley, chair
Norman Schwartz, member
Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Standing: Robert Taggart, chair
Item F, a recommendation for extension of the provisional approval of the Master of Instruction degree, was introduced by Professor O’Neill, chair of the Coordinating Committee on Education. He explained that because only a small number of students has so far completed the program more time was needed for evaluation. There was no discussion and the following was approved by unanimous voice vote:

RESOLVED, that provisional approval of the degree of Master of Instruction be extended through the 1980-81 academic year, with permanent status review to be completed in the Spring, 1981.

Item G, a recommendation for the establishment of a major and a minor in Comparative Literature, was introduced by Professor O’Neill, chair of the Coordinating Committee on Education. Senator Christensen suggested that the course called "Eastern Literature" would be more appropriately designated "Oriental Literature." Professor Boyer said that "oriental" meant "eastern" and that "Asian Literature" might be the best title. The chair reminded the Senate that the program’s courses had already been approved as listed and the item before the Senate was a recommendation for approval of the degree program, although the Senate could make the approval conditional upon such changes. A brief discussion followed on the kinds of literature included in the program. The chair brought the recommendation to a vote and the following was approved by unanimous voice vote:

RESOLVED, that a major and a minor in Comparative Literature be established effective February 1, 1980.

(Note: the programs for the major and minor in Comparative Literature were distributed as Attachment 2 of the November Agenda.)

No further business was introduced and the chair declared the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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