

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

September 8, 1980

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate was called to order on Monday, September 8 at 4:00, with President Toensmeyer presiding. Senators not in attendance were:

Maurice Cope
David Schulz

Norman Schwartz
Jane Taylor

Tom Watkins .

Senators excused were: Donald Crossan, William Gaither, Gerard Mangone, William Ritter, E.A. Trabant, John Zimmerman.

- I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA. The Agenda was adopted as distributed.
- II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES. There were no additions or corrections to the Minutes of April 7 and May 5, 1980, and they were approved as distributed.
- III. REMARKS BY PROVOST CAMPBELL. On behalf of President Trabant, who was unable to attend, Provost Campbell presented the following enrollment figures for the first day of classes: a total of 17,642 students, including 13,148 undergraduates on the Newark campus, 303 in the Parallel program, 1,517 graduate students, and 2,674 Continuing Education students. Comparing these figures with those for the first day last year, he noted there are 151 more undergraduates, 48 more in the Parallel Program, 68 more graduate students, and 1 more Continuing Education student this year. He said this 9-10% increase over last year, if it holds, will result in a total of 19,300 students this year, an increase of about 300 students.
On a second topic, Provost Campbell said the faculty should be aware that this is a very tight budget year for the University, and planning now in process indicates this will also be true for 1981-82.
Provost Campbell also reported on the status of two searches. For the position of Associate Provost for Instruction, he said two candidates had been invited for a second visit to campus and a decision should be reached in early October. The search for an Associate Provost for Computing has resulted in an offer to one candidate, and they are waiting for a reply as to whether he will join us for the Spring semester.
Senate President Toensmeyer noted that the Associate Provost for Instruction sits on the Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee, and the Senate Executive Committee had therefore been included in the second round of candidate interviews for this position.
- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS. President Toensmeyer introduced the Senate officers and office staff; he also announced that Prof. Barnhill has agreed to serve as Senate Parliamentarian and will be available as a resource person to respond to questions or problems regarding the Senate, and to aid in the writing of legislation for presentation to the Senate.
President Toensmeyer reported that at its May meeting the Board of Trustees had approved a resolution authorizing the administration to seek \$500,000 in State funds for planning and design of an expansion of the Morris Library; he noted that the Senate was already on record as supporting additional funds for the Library.

With regard to the showing of pornographic films on campus, President Toensmeyer announced that the issue had been referred to the Committee on Student Life, chaired by Prof. Haas, and any questions or comments should be addressed to that Committee.

In response to a question from Dean Gouldner, President Toensmeyer said that, because the Board of Trustees has not yet voted on the Promotions and Tenure policy which was approved by the Senate in the Spring, the old policy, as printed in the Handbook, is still in effect.

V. OLD BUSINESS. None

VI. NEW BUSINESS.

Item A, a recommendation to change the name and status of the Division of Physical Education, Athletics and Recreation, was introduced by Prof. O'Neill, chair of the Coordinating Committee on Education. Prof. O'Neill summarized the reasons for the Committee's recommendations as follows: 1) the Division performs the same functions--teaching, research and service--as the other colleges in the University; 2) as a college the unit would have a dean and would therefore gain additional representation in the Senate; 3) the present "division" designation is administratively confusing; 4) the unit has grown much beyond its original teacher education function and now has a nationally recognized program, including a growing research component; and 5) there are no additional costs associated with the change. Prof. O'Neill introduced Coach Nelson, Director of the Division, who was present to answer questions.

Senator Straka asked how long the unit had been a division, and why it had not been made a college earlier. Coach Nelson replied that they had been a division since 1946, a time when only 3 units had college status in the University. He noted that, at the request of a faculty committee, the Division had become a degree-granting unit about 15 years ago and, as the number of units gaining college status had increased to the present 9, they had become the only degree-granting unit without college status. He also noted that the 40 faculty members in the Division constitute the only University faculty unit not assigned to a college.

Senator Flynn asked Provost Campbell if the change would be an example of bureaucratic inflation; Provost Campbell responded that the change would simply recognize the fact that the unit already functions as a college. Coach Nelson added that there were no plans to increase the present administrative structure in the unit.

In response to a question about the appropriateness of including "Athletics" in a college title, Coach Nelson said it had been retained because it is descriptive of one service of the unit.

Senator Neale asked if COPE had reviewed the Division with regard to its relationship to the rest of the University. Coach Nelson said they had not yet been "Coped" and President Toensmeyer noted that, as a matter of precedent, Urban Affairs had been made a college without a COPE review.

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

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends that the status and name of the Division of Physical Education, Athletics and Recreation be changed to the College of Physical Education, Athletics and Recreation.

Item B, the election of a chair of the Committee on Committees, was introduced by President Toensmeyer, who announced that two of the three eligible candidates had declined nomination. In the absence of objection he declared Professor Kingsbury elected by unanimous consent.

Item C, the election of a chair of the Committee on Academic Complaints, was conducted by ballot. (Note: Professor Deborah Kliman was elected.)

Item D, a request from the Committee on Committees for confirmation of a committee chair, was introduced; in the absence of objection, President Toensmeyer declared unanimous consent for confirmation of the following appointment:

Promotions and Tenure: Willard A. Fletcher, chair .

No other business was introduced, and President Toensmeyer declared the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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