

DIGEST OF THE REGULAR MEETING

September 21, 1970

CONVENED: 4:13 p.m. in 110 Memorial Hall.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS: Announcements, adoption of the agenda.

SENATE MEMBERSHIP: Barbara Kelly replaces Don Nelson for the Division of Physical Education & Athletics; Charles W. Raymond replaces Frederick E. Roeming.

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES: Messrs. Anapol, Tingey and Williams to the Ad Hoc Committee on Rules.

REPORTS: Report from the Speakers Board.

BILLS REPORTED:

Amendments to Constitution

- S. 24, amendment to Section VIII, reducing quorum requirement. Defeated 19 ayes, 31 nays.
- S. 25, amendment to Section VIII, allowing for transaction of University Faculty business, in the absence of a quorum at a General Faculty meeting, by the Senate at its next meeting. Defeated voice vote.
- S. 26, amendment to Section IX, providing for Constitutional amendment by mail ballot. Referred to Rules Committee.
- S. Res. 25 (Glenn) to commit S. 26 (amendment to Section IX) to Rules Committee. Passed voice vote.
- S. Res. 26 (Worthen), motion to remove from the table S. 20 (amendment to Constitution introduced May 4, 1970 adding the Associate Provost to the Senate). Defeated voice vote. S-20 remains tabled.

Other bills

- S. 27 (Worthen) Student Judicial System document, addition to Section II C. 1: "the Vice-President for Student Affairs, or his designee." Passed unanimously voice vote.
- S. Res. 27 (Kerner), to postpone discussion of the Faculty Publications Committee report. Passed voice vote.
- S. Res. 28 (Halio), to recommit to Committee on Academic Status of Undergraduates the paragraph on incompletes (report attached to agenda). Passed voice vote.

S. Res. 29 (DeArmond), to recommit to the above committee the first paragraph of the report (regarding date for withdrawal and change of registration without penalty). Passed voice vote.

ADJOURNED: 5:58 p.m.

September 11, 1970

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the University of Delaware Faculty

FROM: John C. Wriston, Vice President
University Senate

The first fall meeting of the University Senate will be held on Monday, September 21, at 4:00 p.m., in 110 Memorial Hall. The agenda for this meeting appears below. Subsequent regular meetings will be on the first Monday of each month. It is anticipated that the eagerly awaited report of the Senate Committee on Committees, as well as some recommendations from the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee, will require additional special meetings in October.

Agenda

- I. Announcements
- II. Adoption of the Agenda
- III. Unfinished Business

(1) Several proposed amendments to the Constitution were on the agenda of the June 8 meeting, but were not taken up. These are reproduced below.

(a) Section VIII, Sentence 2 of Paragraph 1
"One-sixth" for "One-third." The provision would then read:
"One-sixth of the voting membership of the University Faculty shall constitute a quorum."

(b) The same paragraph of the same section shall have added to it the sentence: "In the absence of a quorum, the business on the agenda of the University Faculty shall be transacted by the University Senate at its next meeting."

(c) Section IX shall be stricken and replaced by the following:
"This Constitution may be amended only by mail ballot of the voting members of the University Faculty. Proposed amendments may be submitted to the Secretary of the University Senate by an individual faculty member or groups of faculty members. In order to be submitted to the University Faculty, an amendment must be endorsed by a majority of the University Senate or signed by 25 voting members of the University Faculty. No proposals shall be voted on between May 15 and September 15. Amendments receiving a majority of the votes returned will be adopted."

If approved by the Senate and presented to the General Faculty meeting on October 19 for first reading, these amendments could be adopted in April.

(2) A proposed amendment dealing with Section IV of the Constitution, membership of the Senate, was introduced at the May 4 meeting by Mr. Wriston, and eventually tabled. We subsequently received a proposed amendment to this amendment, from Mr. Glenn, and the Senate must decide whether or not to take up this proposal. Senators are reminded that the substance of the Wriston amendment was introduced at the spring General Faculty meeting by Mr. Harward, so that the proposal has already received a first reading. The Wriston amendment and the Glenn amendment to that are presented below.

(a) The Wriston amendment involves inserting the phrase, "the Associate Provost" in Section IV, Article I, which describes the composition of the Senate. The revised section would then read (with changes underlined):

"The Senate shall consist of the President of the University, the Vice-President for Academic Affairs, the Vice-President for Student Affairs, the Associate Provost, the Deans of the Colleges, the elected faculty senators of the Units, and four student senators of the University. Each member of the Senate (hereinafter called a senator) shall have the right to vote."

(b) The Glenn amendment involves adding the sentence "In no case shall the number of non-elected senators exceed eighteen percent of the Senate" to the paragraph quoted directly above; and adding an additional paragraph, as follows:

"Should the number of administrators whose participation in the Senate is called for because of their position exceed eighteen percent of the Senate, additional elected Senators will be added to this body, to be elected by the University Faculty at large, pending possible reapportionment of the Senate."

(3) Another hold-over from the June 8 meeting was a proposal to change the wording of the Student Judicial System document, Section II C.1. (on Page 3 of the document) by adding the words "or his designee" after the word "affairs." This would make II C.1. read as follows: "The Vice-President for Student Affairs, or his designee." (from Mr. Worthen).

(4) The annual report of the Faculty Publications Committee (Mr. Libera, Chairman) was received by the Senate during the spring. In connection with this, the following resolution is now proposed:

"Resolved, that the Senate accepts and endorses the annual report of the Faculty Publications Committee, and further urges the implementation of the Committee recommendation to establish a visible and independent University press."

IV. Reports of Standing Committees

Reports from most, but not all, standing committees have been received. Two annual reports (from the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Advanced Standing, and from the Committee on Academic Status of Undergraduates) and one special report from the Committee on Academic Status of Undergraduates are attached herewith, and will be part of the September 21 agenda. Other annual reports will be distributed as soon as possible, and be on this or subsequent agendas.