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Agenda and Minutes of the Meeting of January 27, 1992

AGENDA
FACULTY SENATE
The Wichita State University

Room 126CH

3:30 p.m.

Meeting Notice: Monday, January 27, 1992

Order of Business

- I. Calling of the Meeting to Order
- II. Informal Proposals and Statements
- III. President's Report
- IV. Approval of Minutes - October 28, 1991, November 11, 1991, November 18, 1991
- V. Meeting of the Committee of the Whole to discuss the following items:
 - a) Proposed Format and Procedures for Regents-mandated Program Review (An ad hoc committee is developing these items. A draft should be available to distribute after January 20th. This meeting will be the only opportunity for Senate discussion, given the compressed calendar mandated by the Board of Regents.)
 - b) Proposed Cooperative Degree Program with the Wichita Vo Tech School
 - c) Forthcoming Senate agenda items (see green attachment)
- VI. Report of the Committee of the whole
- VII. As may arise

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Major Faculty Senate Activity:1991

Major Reports Considered

- 1) Report of the ad hoc Definitions Committee for Advancement
- 2) Report of the Task Force on the Undergraduate Experience (general education)
- 3) Report of the Senate ad hoc Committee on KMUW
- 4) Reports of the Senate Planning and Budget Committee on:
 - (a) Margin of Excellence salary distributions
 - (b) Disposition of vacant faculty positions
 - (c) Comparative growth of administrative and instructional costs

Policies and Resolutions Considered and Adopted

- 1) Establishment of a Senate Planning and Budget Committee (adopted)
- 2) Revised roles for senior Senate officers (adopted)
- 3) Amendments to the Senate Constitution (adopted; approved by General Faculty)
- 4) Revision of the General Faculty By-laws (adopted; approved by the General Faculty)
- 5) Policy on joint faculty appointments (adopted; rejected by administration; under negotiation with administration)
- 6) Revisions in sabbatical leave policy (adopted)
- 7) Revisions in university Tenure/Promotion Committee procedures (adopted)
- 8) Establishment of faculty ombudsperson (passed first reading; under negotiation with administration)
- 9) Eligibility criteria for university research grants (adopted)
- 10) Proposal to reinstitute credit/no credit grading (rejected)
- 11) Regents university tuition waivers for faculty, staff, and families (resolution in favor adopted)
- 12) University Mission Statement (approved)
- 13) Patent policy relating to outcomes of research by WSU faculty (adopted)
- 14) Revision of policies governing application for and review of Wichita/Sedgwick County mill levy (adopted by administration after negotiations with Senate)
- 15) Board of Regents Mission Statement and strategic planning document (approved)

Other Major Activities

- 1) Provost search
- 2) Nominations to committee vacancies and Senate elections

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Summary of Items on the Senate Agenda
January 27, 1992

1. Ombusperson. Associate VP Zoller is writing draft based on earlier Senate draft and conversations with President Mandt. Expected January 30th.
2. KMUW. Awaiting President Armstrong's public announcement of settlement. We will have to nominate faculty members to new Advisory Board.
3. WSU/VOTECH Degree. Senate discussion postponed to January 27th.
4. Program review. Regents-mandated review being planned by expanded Mission Steering Committee, with draft proposal due to ExComm, Dean's Council and Graduate Council in late January.
5. Regents mission plan. No comments received from senators, so provisional action of December was final. Board of Regents adopted the revised "COCAO Plan" on January 16th.
6. WSU Mission planning. Basic Mission Statement submitted to Board as approved by Senate, awaiting March Board of Regents approval. Further Mission Statement texts will follow program review completion (and be largely shaped by it).
7. Regents faculty evaluation policy. Task Force report submitted to Board for review, with extensive campus review promised before final adoption. Senate must decide how we will conduct campus review of the proposed policy. (Note: Professor Charles Burdsal, Psychology, was a member of the Regents Task Force.)
8. Mill levy process. Initial "new era" budget development process beginning with President Armstrong's circulation of request for proposals to departments.
9. Senate support from mill levy. Do we want to submit a proposal? What proposal? Suggestions to date include funding for a Graduate Assistant position for the Budget Committee (approved in 1991, but not funded), and establishing a small Senate Contingency Fund for Programs and Activities.
10. Mill levy bond issue. Administrative study of various options for addressing the needs of the Elliott School should be completed shortly. President Armstrong has pledged that there will be consultation with the faculty before a final decision is made as to the best course of action. Should we schedule a Senate discussion of the various options when the report is available?
11. Faculty salaries. What faculty salaries? The Kansas State University annual faculty report on salaries is a model study that faculty leadership on the other Regents campuses are looking at closely. There has been preliminary discussion in the Council of Senate Presidents about the desirability of having each faculty prepare a roughly comparable annual study as a basis for long term advocacy of faculty needs. Do we want to explore this sort of activ-

ity? How would we go about it? Through the Faculty Affairs Committee? An ad hoc body? Who will do it?

12. Endowment Association. We agreed to a moratorium on public discussion of remaining issues at the request of Vice President King. After a semester, is it time to return to these questions? President Mandt and President-elect Griffith have a meeting scheduled with VP King to review the status of these questions.

13. Alumni Association. The Executive Committee promised Director Mike Meacham an opportunity to make a presentation to the Senate, in the interests of expanding relations between faculty and alumni. Its time to schedule this.

14. Scheduling of a General Faculty Meeting. The Executive Committee proposes to continue the practice (now two years old) of having a mid-year report to the faculty from the Senate President. The Executive Committee has suggested informally to Provost Cottle that he might wish to address the faculty, perhaps on the impending program review process, and more generally on academic planning in coming years. The Provost was receptive to this suggestion. The Executive Committee will explore holding a General Faculty Meeting with these presentations as the agenda.

15. Joint Faculty Appointments. A draft policy was rejected by the administration last year. A revised draft is being prepared by the Executive Committee for review by the administration.

16. Administrative Reviews. The Provost's office has developed a process for administrative reviews, after consulting with the Executive Committee.

17. General Education. The new committee mandated by the General Faculty has been formed by the Rules Committee with the agreement of General Education Coordinator Sutterlin and will begin work immediately on the faculty's mandate to it.

18. Tenure/Promotion Policy. The ad hoc committee, now chaired by Senator Alexander will report this spring.

19. Status of WSU Film and Tape Library. Senate concerns have been referred to the Library Committee for inquiry and recommendations.

20. Grievance Policy. A major revision of the grievance policy, pending for two years, is before the Rules Committee. The Executive Committee is seeking ways to resolve the interpretative disputes with the administration described by Senator Paske at the December Senate Caucus.

FACULTY SENATE
The Wichita State University

Minutes of the Meeting of January 27, 1992

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alexander, Allen, R. Armstrong, Bair, Bajaj, Baxter, Behrman, Benson, Bereman, Billings, Brady, Burk, Campbell, Carroll, Cavarozzi, Christensen, Clark, Daugherty, Duell, Farnsworth, Gosman, Griffith, Gythiel, Hawley, Hay, Horn, Hoyer, Hubbard, Jeffers, Kahn, Kitch, Koppenhaver, Lee, Mandt, Masud, Merriman, Murdock, Muth, Parker, Parkhurst, Paske, Perel, Rogers, Romig, Sethi, Sweney, Wherritt, Widener, Yeager

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bernhart, Carper, Erickson, Martin, Olivero, Zytkow

GUESTS: Brunner, Zoller

I. CALLING OF THE MEETING TO ORDER. Meeting called to order at 3:30 by President Mandt.

II. INFORMAL PROPOSALS AND STATEMENTS.

- a. President Mandt announced a Caucus for Monday, February 3, 208 Hubbard Hall, for information and discussion of the Program Review Process. All faculty will be invited to attend.
- b. Senator Kahn asked if there was information about the Elliott School of Communications building. President Mandt said that President Armstrong had discussed options with him, but they are not in final form.
- c. Senator Widener expressed concern about campus security. President Mandt said the Board of Regents had approved the WSU request for special appropriations for security. He said WSU had one fourth the criminal activity as K.U. as reported in a national survey. Associate Vice President Zoller said the university was working on getting to and off campus with security.
- d. Senator Brady, Chair of the Exceptions Committee, said there were 6 to 8 requests about the 'incomplete' policy. Number 1, page 12 of the catalogue specifies the policy, and faculty need to give some thought to the rule. He also said there was some pressure on the committee to make exceptions on transfer credit after admissions had refused the credit. He said the pressure comes from the idea that if the credit is from a Kansas institution, it should be accepted as general credit at WSU. He pointed out that the committee gives exceptions to policy, it does not make policy changes. AVP Zoller said that he received a notice about this from Vice President Rhatigan, and he will ask the Executive Committee to route it to the appropriate committee for consideration. He asked if Provost Cottle should take this forward for an articulation agreement with other Regents institutions. President Mandt said other Regents institutions have said they don't want to accept WSU credit.
- e. Senator Billings said the buying of space in the Catalogue for advertising needs to be dealt with. The commodization of the university needs to be stopped. President Mandt requested that she write a resolution.
- f. Senator Kahn announced the marriage of Senator Perel and extended congratulations.

III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

December and January Regents Meetings

- a. In December there was consideration of and in January action approving a proposal from the Security Benefit Corporation to provide services in our retirement plan in addition to TIAA, CREF and a division of Aetna. No faculty representatives were asked to comment on the proposal. The firm's performance in every measure tried seemed to be at a level of the other firms.
- b. WSU gave its Assessment Report on Basic Skills, and the Board liked it. Copies are available from the General Education Committee.
- c. There will be a moratorium on new degree programs through this calendar year. The Board did allow that special hardship cases would be considered.
- d. The Mission Study was discussed and approved.
- e. Proposal for the KU Medical Center to establish a Cancer Treatment Service Center was approved. It will involve a bond issue. The reason cited for need of the Cancer Treatment Service Center is to compete in Kansas City health market.
- f. The new Regent, R. Sabitini, has financial expertise and is interested in the fiscal affairs of the universities.
- g. INSIDE WSU has a description of Mr. Koplik's restructured assignment. He is no longer chief lobbyist with the legislature or the official public spokesperson for the Regents.
- h. Senator Gosman asked if there was any feature in the Basic Skills report we needed to know. President Mandt said the Regents thought it showed successful teaching was being done at WSU.
- i. Competency in Spoken English is a concern, and a new policy has been adopted on an interim basis.
- j. The Governor's recommended budget is well above the State Budget Office recommendation. A 2.5% pay increase is in and the OOE is increased.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Approval postponed to the next meeting because of time restraints.

The General Education Committee has been appointed after consultation. There are issues of administration, and a Task Force will be appointed later in the semester to resolve the problems so the main committee can proceed with curriculum. The "old" General Education Committee will continue administering the present program until it is changed.

President Mandt reported that the scheduled formal occasions for the Senate President numbered 184 in the fall of 1991. He said that President-Elect Griffith had received a copy of a memorandum from Provost Cottle to Dean Thomas.

"After discussions with President Warren Armstrong, please schedule Prof. Kathryn Griffith for two three hour courses in Political Science for Fall 1992.

President Armstrong has not reached a decision on whether to continue the total release from teaching for the Faculty Senate President and he will not reach a decision until later in the semester. Consequently, it is easier to schedule Prof. Griffith's classes and to cancel them later than not to schedule them and try to add them later."

The matter was never discussed with President Mandt or President-Elect Griffith. Mandt said that the Senate passed a recommendation that the Senate president be considered a full-time job, and President Armstrong accepted that. Senator Merriman asked if the acceptance was in writing. Senator Alexander said no, but President Armstrong said yes to the on-going position. President Mandt said that reconsideration was always possible, but he thought the President would address the matter to the Senate. AVP Zoller said President Armstrong was not of the opinion that it was to be a total release from teaching, and that it was to be reconsidered. He said schedules needed to be made for the spring, and the Dean needed the information. President Mandt read the memo of 2-25-91 and said it didn't seem to say "experimental." Senator Billings asked if there was any paper work on the present position. President Mandt said the Philosophy Department had the paper work. Senator Billings asked what we could do. President Mandt said we will try to preserve the arrangement and agreement made last year.

Senator Clark made the following Rules Committee nominations:

Court of Academic Appeals: Don Malzahn to replace Mel Snyder - term ending Spring, 1993

Honors: Sandra Houts to replace Laura Eells - term ending Spring 1992

Nominations were approved.

Senator Gosman moved, and Senator Paske seconded, that the Senate move to the Committee of the Whole. The motion passed.

The Committee of the Whole moved to rise and report at 4:50.

Senator Alexander moved that the discussion of the resolution be considered the first reading. Senator Gosman seconded. The motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned.

Joyce Cavarozzi, Faculty Senate Secretary

Meeting of Committee of the Whole

January 27, 1992

Vice President Clark called the meeting to order.

a. Senator Alexander said he had a draft of a resolution relating to "(b) Proposed Cooperative Degree Program with the Wichita Vo Tech School."

The Faculty Senate of Wichita State University does not recognize the creation of an associated faculty for the associate of applied science degree program. This body, intended to perform the governance functions of a departmental or college faculty, was created without consultation with the Faculty Senate, the faculty's authorized representative in matters of university governance, and without consultation with the General Faculty, which has traditionally exercised faculty authority over degree programs and related academic matters.

Creation of such a faculty body by the university administration without consultation with authorized faculty representatives undermines the faculty's proper authority in matters of academic policy.

The Faculty Senate charges its officers to consult with the university administration to determine a proper faculty representation to review new degree proposals, including the proposed associate of applied science degree.

The Faculty Senate requests that the university administration not pursue further Board of Regents authorization for the proposed associate applied science degree until such time as it has been approved by an authorized faculty body.

Senator Alexander said he participated in the meeting of 'associated faculty.' He said they were under time factor pressures. There was no legitimate line of authority with the faculty. Senator Brady was also there. Each area expressed significant concern, and while the vote was unanimous at the end, the vote may not constitute agreement on specifics. Senator Lee asked what the Board of Regents policy was on new programs or changes. Senator Clark said the Board of Regents policy manual didn't cover on campus policy. Senator Alexander said the time table for proposals was only once a year with the Regents. He said a committee was at work on this proposal on campus since August without consulting the Physics department. President Mandt said there isn't a campus policy for handling this kind of a proposal.

Senator Hawley said we didn't have any data. What had happened. Senator Alexander said:

1. This is a joint WSU and Wichita Area Vocational Technical School Program
2. "Associated Faculty" he assumes was made up by the Provost.
3. "Associated Faculty" was made up of the chair and one faculty member from every department involved.
4. On the Friday before Thanksgiving a meeting was called. The proposal was sent with the memo. The meeting was for consideration of the proposal.
5. Those attending the meeting felt under obligation to make a decision then because of the time pressures.
6. They went on record and voted.

Senator Paske said there were two considerations. Is the proposal any good, and what is the role of faculty and faculty consultation in new proposals.

Senator Bereman asked if the Faculty Senate approved the process for looking at new proposals like this. President Mandt said the colleges and the graduate program have one. Senator Bereman said maybe part of this happened because a procedure was not in place.

Senator Brady said last spring he was invited to the Wichita Area Vocational Technical School to look it over. He did, and talked with the faculty. As a result of this visit, he agreed to look at their algebra program to see if it was like ours. It was decided by the visiting math faculty from WSU it was not equivalent. Its equivalent would be our remedial course. Their course is called College Algebra. WSU's course is called College Algebra. Senator Alexander said it was news to Physics that Math was invited to see Vo Tech. Physics has never been asked to see if lab courses can be taught there. Senator Daugherty said that procedural issues are a concern, but quality of program is also a concern. There is no provision made for students who can't pass our entrance exam for English 101. Curricular decisions have not been made as to the type of English course needed.

Senator Romig asked what explanation was given to the committee as to why it was done and what the benefit was to WSU. Senator Alexander said they were told if we don't do something like this, we lose the right to offer courses in Sedgwick County. If we do, any community college can offer courses, and that is a significant problem for WSU. Associate degrees are needed to hold off invasion of community college courses. President Mandt said that WI/SE and business groups and students say there is an educational need. Do we address it?

Senator Parker asked what the Butler County complex on South Broadway was. AVP Zoller said it was the Butler County Advising Center. He said that the consortium arrangement says what WSU doesn't offer or doesn't intend to offer, they can teach. There are reports of classes being taught by Pratt County Community College on the west side of town, Cowley County Community College in the southwest part of the city, and all over the city and Andover by Butler County Community College. We felt we needed to stem the tide.

Senator Brady said the committee was assured at the meeting that a foot in the door was needed. All matters about curriculum would be decided later with consultation. Because of time, agreement on the idea was needed now. President Mandt said the proposal would be before COCAO Friday. Senator Gosman asked if we would have any opportunity to do anything if the proposal was before COCAO Friday. Senator Campbell asked how many credits would transfer if students decided to come to WSU. Vice President Clark said only the twelve hours WSU faculty teach.

Senator Kitch asked why their algebra course and not ours? Senator Alexander said because ours is college level work. Senator Horn asked if there had been any discussion between the Senate Executive Committee and Administration. Vice President Clark said there was discussion about a proposal to put in a process. Senator Wherritt said the Executive Committee met with Provost Cottle the morning after they had been informed. Concerns were expressed about the expectations of the proposal. AVP Zoller said the Wichita Area Vocational Technical School believes the math course it is teaching is the best math for technical work.

Senator Farnsworth said the larger issue is the activity of the community college in Sedgwick County. When he taught graduate courses at McConnell, one third of the graduate classes were from Butler County. The hostility to WSU was reflected in the fact that McConnell went to Butler County to have them offer courses. There are substantial courses being siphoned from WSU.

President Mandt moved to rise and report. Senator Gosman seconded. The motion passed.