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Agenda and Minutes of the Meeting of October 12, 1998

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WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

AGENDA

MEETING NOTICE: Monday, October 12, 1998
Room 107 CH 3:30 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:
I. Call of the Meeting to Order
II. Informal Statements and Proposals
III. Approval of the Minutes
IV. President's Report
V. Committee Reports
   A. Executive Committee - A. J. Mandt, President-Elect
   B. Rules Committee
VI. Old Business
VII. New Business
   A. Priorities to be Address by the Senate for the 1998 - 99 year
      (Gold attachment)
VIII. As May Arise

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Elmer Hoyer President 6314 Box 44
JoLynne Campbell Vice President 5653 Box 43
Nan Myers Secretary 5138 Box 68
A. J. Mandt President Elect 3375 Box 102
William Terrell Past President 3220 Box 78

ELECTED BY THE SENATE
Deborah Baxter 3103 Box 53
Dwight Murphey 3219 Box 77

APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT
Barbara Hodson 3240 Box 75
TOPICS FOR POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AS SUGGESTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—OTHER TOPICS ARE WELCOME.

1. Faculty Role in Strategic Planning and Budget process
2. Role of the Faculty at Wichita State University
3. Faculty salary parity
4. Percent of Full-time Faculty at Wichita State University
5. The Administrative structure at Wichita State University
6. Role of the Faculty in Policy making and the initiation of Programs
7. Graduate Programs
MEMBERS PRESENT: Alagic, Bahr, Bair Bajaj, Baxter, Bennett, Born, Brooks, Burns, Campbell, Cavarozzi, Celestin, Cheraghi, DeSilva, Gythiel, Hawley, Hodson, Hoyer, Huntley, Kelly, Klunder, Kraft, Kuchment, Kuhn, Lancaster, Larson, Lescoe-Long, Mandt, Miller, Murphey, Myers, Patton, Quantie, Robarchek, Rokosz, Rosenthal, Schommer, Steinke, Terrell, Trechak, Toops, Wine, York, Zettle

MEMBERS ABSENT: Byrum, Carroll, Chandler, Chopra, Jackson, Paarmann, Pfannestiel, Sharp, Stevenson

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

SUMMARY OF ACTION:

1. Sue Bair was elected College of Education, Senator at Large to complete the term of Brian Stone (1 year).

   Mary Lescoe-Long was elected College of Health Professions Senator to complete the term of Mary McHugh (1 year).

   Dharma de Silva was elected to serve another year on the General Education Committee.

2. Voted to make a listing of the topics discussed available to all Senators.
3. Passed Resolution to KBOR re Presidential Search process

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Hoyer at 3:30 p.m.

II. INFORMAL STATEMENTS & PROPOSALS: None.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The October 12, 1998 minutes were approved as corrected.

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

   A. Regents Visit: Bill Docking, Chair, Board of Regents and Tom Bryant, Interim Executive Director will be on campus Thursday, October 29, 1998, and will be available to meet with faculty from 3:15-4:15 p.m. in the Board Room, Morrison Hall.

   B. The select committee reviewing the proposed policy on Student Misconduct & Academic Integrity are: Joyce Cavarozzi, Tina Bennett, Gerry Paske, Lori Reesor and a
student to be appointed by the SGA President. This committee will review the document and address the concerns voiced by the Senate at the September 28, 1998 Faculty Senate Meeting.

C. Parking Plan Proposal: President Hoyer read a prepared statement regarding the Memo which was signed by all four senate presidents, and sent to Vice President Roger Lowe concerning the proposed parking plan. He stated that at least two of the three presidents of the other senates received calls from a PEC member asking them to change their minds and withdraw support from this Memo. President Hoyer, and at least one of the other presidents who received a call, interpreted this as a form of harassment. Hoyer stated that many questions remain about the parking plan (location of spaces, visitors spaces, bonds purchased later as opposed to now, etc.) and, members of elected senates have rights to their opinions. Further it appears, from an article in this morning's Wichita EAGLE that the decision has already been made. In addition, he stated that the poor turnout at the General Faculty Meeting on September 30th probably was due to feeling the plan was a "done deal". The Classified Senate resolved on October 8th to stand behind the memo. However, when Roger Lowe re-visited the Unclassified Professional Senate and Classified Senate last week, the Classified Senate resolved to agree to a presentation of the parking plan to the Board of Regents, with the provision that a committee be formed to have input as to how it will all proceed.

Senator Baxter felt it would be appropriate to inform Donald Beggs of the pressure the other senate presidents have been under regarding the parking issue. Hoyer will have his written statement sent to Beggs. Senator Cavarozzi requested that the four senate presidents continue to meet, expressing resentment at the divide and conquer attitude of the administration.

D. The final draft of the Intellectual Property Policy has been received and is being reviewed by the Faculty Affairs Committee. It will be presented to the Board of Regents on October 15th.

E. There will be a General Education Retreat, sponsored by the Office of the Academic Vice President, the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, and the General Education Committee beginning the evening of Thursday, October 29th, running all day Friday, October 30th, and Saturday morning, October 31st. For more information, contact Russ Widener at ext. 3103 or e-mail at widener@twsuvm.uc.twsu.edu. For reservations, which need to be made by October 26th, contact the Vice President of Academic Affairs office, ext. 3010.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Executive Committee: Senator Terrell offered a resolution from the Executive Committee regarding the Presidential Search procedure to be sent to the Board of Regents. This passed without opposition.

B. On behalf of the Executive Committee, Senator Mandt reported on their meetings with the candidates for WSU President. He stated that the committee enthusiastically endorsed Dr. Beggs, and reported on what some of the statements made during the interview such as,
faculty authority over curriculum, shared governance fac/admin, academics are at center of a university, cannot water or dumb down programs to appeal to students - seek progressive upgrading, encourages debate on serious questions from all stakeholders which constitutes planning, faculty senate and graduate council should have more of a relationship, numbers cannot tell you about centrality (quality) of a program to mission.

C. Rules Committee: A.J. Mandt, Chair, presented the following:

1. The College of Education nominated Sue Bair to fill the at-large Senate vacancy created by the resignation of Brian Stone. Accepted.

2. The College of Health Professions nominated Mary Lescoe-Long to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Mary McHugh. Accepted

3. Dharma de Silva was nominated to serve another year on the General Education Committee. Accepted.

VI. OLD BUSINESS - None

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Priorities to be addressed by the Faculty Senate in 1998/1999: It was moved by Senator Hodson, 2nd by Senator Murphey to go to a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussion of the priorities which should be addressed by the Faculty Senate this year. Motion passed. President Hoyer appointed Senator Campbell Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

See 1st tan attachment for a listing of the comments from the Senate during the Committee of the Whole- We are requesting that all Senators study this listing, identify areas with which you want to be involved, and contact the Faculty Senate Office, ext.3504, or E-mail, dreiling@twsuvm.uc.twsu.edu. This is especially important because our new President has made it clear that shared governance is important, and we must be prepared to take action and offer suggestions in areas that the Senate feels are vital.

President Hoyer moved, second by Murphey, to Rise and Report and to make copies of all these issues available to all senators and they can prioritize them. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nan Myers, Secretary
The Executive Committee is requesting that each Senator study the following listing, identify areas with which you want to become involved, and contact the Office of the Faculty Senate. This is especially important because our new President has made it clear that Shared Governance is important, and we must be prepared to take action and offer suggestions in areas that are vital to the Faculty of WSU.

COMMENTS FROM SENATE MEETING: 10-12-98

PLANNING:

   More significant role in strategic planning

   Need organized collective voice in planning process - look at the good of the University, not just individuals department

   Departments should have more than credit hour productivity as an objective- issue is doing creditable job of performing

   Create committee of past/present Senators At Large because long-term planning requires continuity and wisdom which this group would have

BUDGET:

   Restructure the Budget committee- appoint permanent members with expertise in budget process who review the budget and gain insight into implications of the budget.

   Faculty salaries show lack of support at WSU compared to other peer institutions

   EEO monies do not adequately support academics

SHARED GOVERNANCE:

   Lack of faculty authority as mentioned in North Central report

   Role of the faculty at WSU

   Faculty should be perceived as Professionals

   Improve Faculty Development efforts, encourage departmental development as well as university wide.

   Teaching Awards should be from Faculty, not a popularity contest

   Percent of full-time faculty at WSU- what are perceived issues, course distribution is one. Compare WSU to faculty compositions at other institutions.
Faculty participation - losing a sense of collective responsibility for the university- again mention of "good of the University, as well as individual department

NORTH CENTRAL REPORT:

Look at issues raised, study them and have situations remedied prior to re-visit of the accreditation committee.

FACULTY SENATE:

Re-structure of Faculty Senate Committees - what is their function and are they performing, do others need to be added

General Education Committee - Lack of clarity about the Gen. Ed. Comm and program. Need to reinvest the Gen. Ed. Comm with authority to limit the number of offerings of "Further Study" courses

More involvement/interaction with the Graduate Council

Perceived as not representing the faculty and need to encourage new faculty participation and become strong voice on campus, less apathy

Viewed as one constituency out of four- have several meetings with other Senates

Promote a more open approach to appointment of administrators

Present an annual report to the Faculty with listing of priorities from the Senate

SCHOLARSHIP:

Need more faculty input and advice in granting of scholarships and how handled on campus

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RESOLUTION TO THE KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS

WHEREAS, the Kansas Board of Regents recently selected a new president for Wichita State University, and

WHEREAS, the current Chair of the Kansas Board of Regents is William R. Docking, and

WHEREAS, all faculty groups that interviewed the candidates found Dr. Donald Beggs to be an exceptionally strong candidate,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Faculty Senate of Wichita State University enthusiastically welcomes Dr. Donald Beggs as the twelfth President of Wichita State University and pledges to work collaboratively with him in a setting of shared governance in the interest of continuing to develop Wichita State University as a premier academic institution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Faculty Senate of Wichita State University offers sincere appreciation to the Kansas Board of Regents and to Chair William R. Docking for their support of an open interview process and their willingness to receive commentary from Faculty, Staff and Students as an integral part of the selection process.

Passed by Acclamation October 12, 1998

Elmer A. Hoyer, President