

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY

UNCLASSIFIED PROFESSIONAL SENATE  
Minutes - October 26, 1992

The Unclassified Professional Senate (UPS) convened on October 26, 1992, at 8:30 a.m. in 425 Ahlberg Hall.

Members Present: Frankie Brown, Tom Brock, Stephen Gladhart, Bonnie Johnson, Nancy Kraemer, Barbara Mason, Don Nance, Jill Pletcher, Cathy Razook-Ellsworth, Mike Turner, Dale Valentine, Doug Vandersee

Members Absent: Barbara Bowmen, Noah Hart, Janet Nickel, Jim Rogers, Amy Schafer

1. Response to President's Program Review Recommendations

The Senate discussed President Armstrong's program review recommendations. Issues concerning various senators included 1) lack of resources recommended for advising functions to be transferred from University College to the academic colleges, 2) faculty/staff training and resources to enhance student recruitment and retention, 3) assignment of the research function and inadequate attention to problems of research support, 4) requirements for internal reallocation, and 5) concerns regarding across-the-board budget reductions without regard to unit productivity.

The Senate must submit its response to President Armstrong by Friday, October 30. D. Valentine will draft a statement for review, comment, and revision by the senators via electronic mail.

The final Senate response to the president's recommendations will be distributed to all unclassified professionals along with the Senate's July 24 program review document, its September 25 response to Provost Cottle's recommendations, and the materials for the November 17 general meeting.

2. Constitution

At the Senate's request, Peter Zoller reviewed the draft constitution and has made recommendations for two content changes as follows:

- A. Article V, Section 3, Item C: P. Zoller commented that this statement may be in conflict with the Open Meetings Law. With the Senate's concurrence, this item will be changed to read:

"Regular Senate meetings shall be open to members of the university community and the general public."

- B. Article V, Section 5: P. Zoller suggested adding a deadline by which a special meeting must be called. With the Senate's concurrence, this item will be changed to read:

"A. Special meetings of the Senate shall be called upon written request of five Senators to the Secretary of the Senate.

B. Special meetings shall be scheduled within ten working days of receipt of the written request."

The above changes will be made in the document, and the final draft will be distributed to all unclassified professional personnel with the agenda for the November 17 meeting.

3. Meeting Schedule

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 5, at 8:30 a.m. in Room 425 Ahlberg Hall.

Meeting adjourned 10:05 a.m.