

UNCLASSIFIED PROFESSIONAL SENATE
MEETING AGENDA
April 10, 1997

PLACE: AHLBERG HALL room -- 425.

TIME: 8:30 to 10:00 am

I. Call to order

II. Minutes of the ~~February 27~~^{3/13}, 1997 meeting.

III. Senate President's report.

Holiday shutdown

Meeting with Pres. Hughes in the afternoon of April 10.

IV. Committee and Task Force Reports.

1. Professional Development

2. Legislative

3. UPs who teach

4. University Strategic Planning

5. TF on change in termination requirements

6. Others as appropriate

VI. Other items as may occur.

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WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY
UNCLASSIFIED PROFESSIONAL SENATE
Meeting Minutes
April 10, 1997



The Senate convened at 8:35am in room 425 Ahlberg Hall.

Senators Present: Linda Black, Margie Dersi, Dori Jones-Chism, Mike Erickson, Robert Hull, Karen Gelvin, Donald Knaub, Nancy Kraemer, Marvis Lary, Phillip Ladwig, Kathleen Rager, Larry Ramos, Mike Wood.

Senators Absent: Greg Buell, Jim Herrman, LaVona Spencer, Boyd White.

Guests Present: Barbara Bowman, Julie Raush, Mike Turner.

I. The minutes of the March 13th meeting were approved as submitted.

II. Senate President's Report

Holiday shutdown - Linda Black read a memo from President Hughes indicating that there will be a holiday shutdown this year. He thanked the classified and unclassified senates for their work on the survey and based his decision on the results. Shelly Kellogg and Ellen Horn were cited by Mike Turner for their hard work on the survey.

Meeting with President Hughes - Linda will meet with the President this afternoon. Issues to be discussed are: program discontinuance, issues surrounding additional positions designated as "serving at the pleasure of the President", his intentions regarding utilization of resources, the status of the policy on UPs who teach, and budget information.

The minutes of the Capital Improvement committee, the President's newsletter, the minutes of the faculty senate meeting of March 10th, the Board of Regents minutes of March 20th, and the WSU insert in the Eagle were passed for review.

Mike Wood reported on the April 2nd meeting of the Academic Affairs Council at which he represented Linda Black. Issues discussed were the utility shortfall, technology funding, physical improvements to campus buildings, the North Central team visit of April 14-16, the new evaluation process for Directors and Vice Presidents instituted by Bobby Patton, the visit of representatives of On Line University, the availability of capital equipment funds, and the status of Mill Levy funding for the coming year.

President-elect Bob Hull joined the meeting after representing the UPS at the University Cabinet meeting. He reported that the topics discussed were student recruitment efforts and the possibility that Mill Levy money is owed the University due to a miscalculation. No specific information is available about that situation at this time.

III. Committee and Task Force Reports.

1. Professional Development - Kathy Rager reported that the credit staff development workshop began last Friday with 37 enrolled. She thanked Mike Turner's office for all their cooperation with the tuition assistance process and indicated that the Noncredit Coordinating Committee will be meeting on the process of generating credits from noncredit activity.

2. Legislative - Margie Dersi will distribute copies of the listing of Kansas senators and representatives. A meeting will be held with Eric Sexton, Linda Black, Jim Herrman and Margie

to explore Eric's connection with the UPS.

3. UPs who teach - Marvis Lary reported that, for the first time, UP's who teach have submitted portfolio's for evaluation using the same process as non-tenured faculty. In the past the individual's supervisor evaluated performance. She indicated that the process is working well.

4. University Strategic Planning - Mike Wood reported that the committee submitted a document to the President containing their work on WSU's philosophy, mission, and objectives. A meeting is scheduled with him for next Monday for his reaction.

5. TF on change in termination requirements - No report.

6. Election Committee - Nomination forms for new UP senators have been sent out. Chris Cavanaugh was given a big "thank you" for his help with the process.

7. Grievance Committee - Barbara Bowman reported that a formal grievance has been filed by an unclassified professional.

IV. Other items as may occur.

Karen Gelvin reported that Sunday is Student Awards and Recognition Day. A ceremony will be held in Wiedemann Hall at 3:30pm followed by a reception. All are encouraged to attend.

Mike Erickson reported that the Shocker Pride Picnic is Tuesday at 1:30pm. New employees will be wearing name badges and we are encouraged to greet them.

Margie Dersi announced that the Basketball Awards Banquet is tonight at the Marriott. The open meeting with the North Central evaluation team will take place on April 15th from 3 to 4 pm in room 127 of Jabara Hall. UPs are encouraged to attend.

The need for better coordination of the university's calendar of events was discussed. Julie Rausch indicated that this is done through the Office of University Communications and that it will be the responsibility of newly hired Mathew Hicks, Cyberspace Marketer.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30am.

The next senate meeting is on **April 24th at 8:30am in 425 Ahlberg Hall.**

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Rager.