



UNCLASSIFIED PROFESSIONAL SENATE
MEETING AGENDA
February 13, 1997

PLACE: AHLBERG HALL room -- 425. Directions: go left off elevator to hall and then right.

TIME: 8:30 to 10:00 am

I. Call to order

II. Minutes of the January 23, 1997 meeting.

III. President of the Student Government Association, Chris Hilgenfeld, will present current issues of concern to the SGA for our consideration.

IV. VP for Student Affairs, James Rhatigan, will address the upcoming NCAA Certification Self-Study.

IV. Senate President's report.

V. 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.

PLEASE RSVP TO ext. 5631 IF YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND.

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY
UNCLASSIFIED PROFESSIONAL SENATE
Meeting Minutes
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The Senate convened at 8:35am in room 425 Ahlberg Hall.

Senators Present: Linda Black, Greg Buell, Mike Erickson, Robert Hull, Dori Jones-Chism, Karen Gelvin, Donald Knaub, Marvis Lary, Phillip Ladwig, Kathleen Rager, Larry Ramos, LaVona Spencer, Mike Wood.

Senators Absent: Margie Dersi, Jim Herrman, Nancy Kraemer, Boyd White.

Guests Present: Julie Raush, Mike Turner.

I. Chris Hilgenfeld, President of the Student Government Association, presented information on the activity and concerns of SGA. He believes that there has been improvement in the service orientation at WSU but that there is still more to be done. His main goal is to contribute to the efficiency and effectiveness of WSU programs through student input. Presently he is involved in the 2nd day of hearings on the allocation of student fees. At Linda Black's request, he will keep the UPS informed as new issues or concerns arise.

II. Dr. Rhatigan, Vice President for Student Affairs, reported on the NCAA Certification Self-Study. He has served as the chairperson of the project. The goal of the self-study is to "reinforce the University's commitment to a principled athletics program". This is the first cycle of the newly created certification process. The components of the self-study are 1. governance and commitment to rules compliance 2. academic integrity 3. fiscal integrity 4. commitment to equity. Among the outcomes of the self study is the creation of the Institutional Compliance Committee. Dr. Rhatigan also highlighted the fact that at WSU the graduation rate for student athletes is higher than that of the student body as a whole. The peer review team will be visiting WSU from March 11th through the 14th. Dr. Rhatigan asked that anyone with questions or comments about the self study document, contact him.

III. The minutes of the January 23rd meeting were approved as submitted.

IV. Senate President's Report

Linda Black distributed for review, copies of the minutes of the Board of Regents meeting of January 15th, the Faculty Senate meeting of January 27th, and the Council of Chief Academic Officers meeting of January 15th. A copy of the President's newsletter, *Wichita State 1997*, was also made available. Anyone wishing to get on the distribution list for the monthly newsletter, should call ext 3001.

Linda discussed the decision to move ahead quickly with the Holiday Closedown Survey which has recently been distributed to classified and unclassified employees. Mike Turner indicated that the returns have already been brisk and some included very strong feelings on the subject. The survey should be returned to box 15 by February 21st.

Commencement has been scheduled for the morning of Saturday, May 17th. All colleges will participate in one ceremony which will include individual recognition of all graduates.

✓ Linda
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President Elect Bob Hull represented the UPS at the most recent session of new employee orientation and he will sit in for Linda at the University Cabinet meeting of February 27th.

Information gathering has begun for the Athletic Program Enhancement Committee which is studying the feasibility of the return of football to WSU. Linda will share as much information as she can but these are closed meetings.

The UPS has been asked to participate in Hippodrome. Linda asked that thoughts and suggestions be discussed at the next meeting.

The President has called a meeting of Deans and Directors for February 24th to discuss goals, the enrollment decline and the budget.

V. Committee and Task Force Reports.

1. Professional Development - Bob Hull reported that 20 people participated in the UPS "Spirit Night" at the women's basketball game against SW Missouri State on February 1st. The refreshments for the reception were donated by the Professional Development Committee. The letter requesting nominations for the President's Awards has been distributed to unclassified professionals. It was suggested that next year the letter also be sent to classified personnel as they may nominate an unclassified and vice versa. The awards will be made at the Shocker Pride Picnic on Tuesday, April 15th. Mike Erickson is handling the nomination process. Bob indicated that the customer service training which had been previously discussed, will become part of a credit workshop offered to classified and unclassified employees this April. Kathy Rager is spearheading this initiative and asked for the support of the UPS in encouraging participation. Information will be disseminated on campus by the end of the month.

2. Legislative - no report.

3. UPs who teach - Marvis Lary distributed copies of the draft of the UPS response to Dr. Patton's Interim Policy for Unclassified Professionals Who Teach. She asked that senators get back to her with any suggested changes. After being circulated, the final draft will be sent to Dr. Patton. Marvis also distributed the portion of the Faculty Senate minutes of January 27th which included their discussion of the Interim Policy.

4. University Strategic Planning - no report.

5. TF on change in termination requirements - Linda Black has not received a response to her request for a meeting with the President to discuss the list of concerns sent to him in January. She will follow up with another call.

6. New employee mentoring - no report.

7. Tuition assistance - no report.

8. Library campaign - no report.

VI. Other items as may occur.

There were no suggestions for action to be taken on issues brought forth by Kathy Farney at the last meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00am

The next senate meeting is on **February 27th at 8:30am in 425 Ahlberg Hall.**

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Rager.