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### Agenda and Minutes of the Meeting of October 25, 1971

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UNIVERSITY SENATE

Meeting Notice: Monday, October 25, 1971  
Senate Room, 314, CAC  
3:30 p.m.

Order of Business

- I. Calling of the meeting to order
- II. Approval of the minutes of October 18, 1971
- III. Orders of the Day
  - A. Special Orders
  - B. General Orders
- IV. Unfinished Business
  - A. Mr. Kahn, University Governance Committee Report
- V. Committee Reports
  - A. Mr. Malone, Nominations for Senate Committees
- VI. New Business
- VII. Adjournment

October 13, 1971

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS

(Changes in document reflecting Senate action through 11-22-71 inserted)  
Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on University Governance

Dr. John Breazeale  
Dr. Paul J. Magelli  
Dr. F. William Nelson  
Dr. James Nickel  
Dr. Glenn Miller  
Dr. Brooke Collison  
Dr. Richard Zody  
Dr. Melvin Kahn  
Mr. Terry Carnahan  
Mr. James Posey  
Mr. Lynn Coker  
Mr. John Morse

I. INTRODUCTION

The Ad Hoc Committee of University Governance was created by the University Senate in the spring of 1969 with the charge of considering "various alternative ways of obtaining a functioning university government which allows for the representation of all its elements while respecting the need of each to have representative bodies dealing with the particular concerns of its own constituency." The committee submitted an interim report to the senate and faculty in the spring of 1970 and requested that it be allowed to continue working on its charge during 1970-1971. During the fall semester of 1970 the committee met bi-weekly, and on January 11 and 12, 1971, it met for two days. This position paper is the outcome of the work of the committee and contains its recommendations.

At the organizational meeting of the original University Senate which occurred on February 10, 1964, President Emory Lindquist identified his reasons for supporting the idea of the senate:

In the first place, the University Senate creates an institutional forum in which the faculty members with administrative assignments can share possibilities and problems with faculty members who have primarily teaching assignments, and faculty members with teaching assignments can share their concerns and aspirations with faculty members who have administrative assignments.

In the second place, I believe that the University Senate can marshal new and additional resources for thinking constructively about the mission of our university.

In the third place, I believe that the University Senate is sound in principle and form because it is university-wide, because it is representative, and because it is responsible to its parent, the University Faculty.

It is, as I understand the design, a body, however, which should discuss, study, seek information, share in planning, provide an

insight into faculty interests and concerns, and report. The senate should share clearly in determining the mission of this university. I also believe that there may be a changing and expanding concept and role of the senate with the passing of the years.

It is the belief of the Committee on University Governance that the essential role of the senate remains the same, but that it is now appropriate to widen the representative constituencies of the senate to include a substantial student delegation and spokesmen for the classified staff. It is also clear that Dr. Lindquist's insight concerning the "changing and expanding concept and role of the senate" must be reflected in changes in its composition and procedures.

In another document from the early history of the senate, Professor Harder, then President of the senate, said:

With respect to certain kinds of policy decisions, the Faculty Senate can be invaluable to all concerned. Not only is this body a vehicle through which professors can participate in policy formation (and participation is another important condition of professorial freedom), it can also share with administrators the burden of preserving a good image for the university at a time when that image may be tarnished by irresponsible charges.

It is the view of the committee that both the expanding role of the Senate and the need to extend responsibility for decision making to all constituencies of the university community, require the changes suggested in the following recommendations.

## II. THE COMPOSITION OF THE SENATE

### A. Faculty Representation

1. The committee recommends that there be 33 faculty representatives - on the University Senate. Faculty are those who receive 50 per cent or more of their salary from an academic instructional unit, except unassigned category which shall be made up of full time persons assigned to non-classroom activities more than 50 per cent of their time or unattached to a degree granting college or who hold rank below instructor. In no event shall a person be eligible for election to the Senate from two categories.

A formula was used to generate this number and as the university grows, it may generate a slightly larger number of members. For purposes of representation the university would be divided into divisions. Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Health Related Professions, and Fine Arts would each comprise one division. Liberal Arts and Sciences would count as three divisions, these being Humanities, Social Sciences, and Natural Sciences. University College and Unassigned would constitute another category. The membership of each of these divisions would be determined in accordance with the following formula: when the number of faculty members in a division is between 2 and 25, it would have 2 representatives; between 26 and 50, it would have 3 representatives; between 51 and 100 faculty members, it would have 4 representatives; between 101 and 150 members, it would have 5 representatives; between 151 and 200 members, it would have 6 representatives and so on. The number of members in



the division at the time of the senate election will determine the number of representatives to be elected. According to this formula, in 1971 the division of Humanities would have 5 representatives, Social Sciences would have 4, Natural Sciences would have 4, Business Administration would have 4, Fine Arts would have 4, Education would have 4, Engineering would have 4, Health Related Professions would have 2, University College and Un-assigned would have 2, thus making a total of 33.

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Persons who hold a full time appointment in the University at the rank of Instructor or above and who receive fifty per cent or more of their salary from the budget of an academic instructional unit will be eligible to be elected to the Senate as faculty members.

#### B. Administration Representation

The administration shall be represented by the deans of degree granting colleges, the President, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Dean of University College, and the Dean of Admissions.

#### C. Student Representation

The committee recommends that the University Senate have 16 student representatives, including the president and the vice-president of SGA, the four class presidents, the candidate for graduate representative to SGA receiving the largest number of votes, three members appointed by the SGA president subject to approval by two-thirds of the SGA members, and six members elected at large by the student body in the fall elections to two-year terms. Three at-large senators would be elected each year.

The Student Government Association will remain intact under the proposed revisions in the governance system at Wichita State University. SGA's structure, powers, responsibilities and duties are unaffected, and it will retain its present position relative to the other governing bodies in the governance system.

#### D. Staff Representation

The committee recommends that the classified staff have two representatives. The method of selecting representatives would be left to a future decision of this constituency.



III. MEETINGS OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY

The faculty retains the right of review of University Senate actions.

IV. FACULTY REPRESENTATION ON THE COUNCIL OF DEANS

[The committee recommends that one voting faculty representative, <sup>to be</sup> elected by and from the University Senate, be added to the Council of Deans. ] *annually*

V. STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON THE COUNCIL OF DEANS

[The committee recommends that one voting student representative, elected by and from the SGA Senate, be added to the Council of Deans. ]

VI. SENATE OFFICE

The committee recommends that a Senate Office be established with half-time secretarial help. This office would provide a centralized location for the storage of senate and committee records and minutes, and the existence of this office with adequate personnel would do much to facilitate and coordinate the work of the senate committees and the senate.

# Wichita State University

## INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

To Members of the University Senate

Date October 13, 1971

From Ad Hoc Committee on University Governance

Subject \_\_\_\_\_

Attached are parts I - VI of the Final Recommendations of the University Governance Committee. Parts VII - IX will be distributed next week.

Please note that several statements offered at the open hearing as well as recommendations from individuals and colleges have been incorporated into this final draft. They are indicated by marginal brackets at the appropriate places.

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Wichita State University  
Minutes of the Meeting of October 25, 1971, (Vol.8, no.5)

Present were: Artiaga, Austin, Boughton, Breazeale, Britton, Burnett, Coker, Collison, Comstock, Cress, Darling, Dybdahl, Elcrat, Farnsworth, Friesen, Genova, Gosman, Graham, Hammond, Harder, Heathman, McKinney, Magelli, Malone, Mathews, Mathis, Mills, Morse, Norris, Perel, Poland, Posey, Rhatigan, Rogers, Saricks, Sowards, Spies, Terrell, Unrau, Wong, Youngman, Zody. Not present: Ackerman, Ahlberg, Allegrucci, Becker, Blake, Chaffee, Christenson, Dunn, Gleason, Holmes, Jakowatz, Nielsen, Savaiano, Smith, Spohn.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Zody at 3:35 p.m.
- II. Mr. Genova moved unanimous consent to approve the minutes of October 18, 1971.
- III. Orders of the Day
  - A. Special Orders (none)
  - B. General Orders (none)

IV. Unfinished Business

A. Mr. Kahn. Continued presentation of the University Governance Committee Report.

Mr. Dybdahl moved (seconded by Mr. Burnett) to amend the last sentence of II A 1 to read "University College and Unassigned would have 3, thus making a total of 34." Mr. Dybdahl pointed out that the number of persons in the "unassigned" category would warrant three representatives and named several groups who would be represented.

After discussion about the definition of unassigned, the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Gosman moved (seconded by Mr. Perel) to reconsider II A 2 as amended in the meeting of October 18, 1971. The motion FAILED on a voice vote.

Mr. Perel moved (seconded by Mr. Rogers) to amend the approved minutes of October 18, 1971, to reflect more accurately the intention of Mr. Magelli's definition of faculty (II A 1), to read:

"Persons who hold a full time appointment in the University at the rank of Instructor or above and who receive fifty per cent or more of their salary from the budget of an academic instructional unit will be eligible to be elected to the Senate as faculty members."

Motion PASSED on a voice vote.



Mr. Genova moved (seconded by Mr. Unrau) to amend section II B, Administration Representation, by striking the section and replacing with the following:

"The administration shall be represented by the deans of degree granting colleges, the President, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, (plus two representatives to be elected by that membership)."

Mr. Harder moved (seconded by Mr. Comstock) to amend by deleting the last phrase (shown in parenthesis) and inserting the words "and the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Dean of University College, and the Dean of Admissions."

The amendment to the amendment PASSED on a voice vote. The amendment PASSED on a voice vote.

Discussion then followed concerning Section II C, Student Representation. Mr. Perel made a general plea for less student representation than proposed by the Governance Report. Mr. Morse supported the number (16) and the rationale for selection. Mr. Harder stated that the actual number of students remained a valid question for discussion, but disagreed with Mr. Perel's assumptions concerning both representation and senate activity. Mr. Rhatigan made a plea for increased student involvement at lower levels of university governance than the Senate.

Mr. Perel then moved (motion was seconded) that II C be postponed. The motion PASSED on a voice vote.

#### V. Committee Reports

Mr. Malone, on behalf of the Senate Committee-on-Committees, moved the following appointments be approved by the Senate:

From University College: Lyle Gohn to the Curriculum Committee, Vic Zuercher to the University Traffic Committee, Jaddy Blake to the Public Occasions Committee. From the College of Business Administration: Sidney Brinkman to the Scholarship and Student Aid Committee, Kae Chung to the Honors Committee, Jimmy Skaggs to the Library Committee, Bert Segler to the Student-Faculty Relations Committee, Kay Camin to the Public Occasions Committee, and Curtis Terflinger to the Admissions Committee. From the College of Fine Arts: Eunice Boardman to the Research and Publications Committee and Mary Sue Foster to the Court of Student Academic Appeals. For Ex-Officio appointments: Stanley Henderson to the Admissions and Exceptions Committee and to the Scholarship and Student Aid Committee. From at-large: John Hartman to the Land Use Planning & Design Committee, and Kathryn Griffith to the Traffic Court Appeals Committee. The motion PASSED on a voice vote.

#### VI. New Business (none)

#### VII. Adjournment of the meeting was at 5:10 p.m.