

MINUTES

FACULTY SENATE

December 14, 1978

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order on Thursday, December 14, 1978, at 3:13 p.m. in Room 202 of the Garrett Conference Center by the Senate Chair, Tom Jones. A quorum was present.

Roll Call

Absent:

1. Robye Anderson
2. Fred Clark
3. Bryce Combs
4. Phil Constans
5. Stan Cooke
6. Robert Eversoll
7. Lawrence Finley
8. Carl Kreisler
9. Joan Krenzin*
10. Albert Laird
11. William Meadors
12. Paul Riley
13. George Roberts
14. Robert Teske
15. Jack Thacker
16. Donald Tuck
17. Lysbeth Wallace

*Sent observer to cover her absence.

Minutes

The minutes of the November 9, 1978 meeting were corrected as follows: Senat Leopold submitted to the Secretary a corrected version of his substitute motion found on page four: "Amend the amendment to defer action until the Senate and the University Attorney can study the Attorney General's opinion." The minutes were approved.

Remarks by Regent Cole

Chairman of the Board of Regents, J. David Cole, spoke to the Senate about the work of the Presidential Selection Committee, the pride that he has in the Western Faculty, and the role of athletics at this university. He stood for questions from the floor.

Reports of the Standing
Committees
Executive Committee

Senator Henrickson reported that at a lengthy December 6, 1978 meeting, the Executive Committee discussed in some detail the agenda for the December 14 meeting of the Senate. Chairman Jones reported that the COFSL meeting of December 8 was cancelled due to inclement weather. While another meeting will be scheduled to provide a forum for gubernatorial candidates, a January 26, 1979, meeting at the University of Louisville with Harry Snyder of the Council on High Education has been planned.

Fiscal Affairs

Senator Bailey provided the Senate with report entitled: FAC 001.1 12/14/78 The Cost of Administration and Instruction at the College and Departmental Levels.

By-Laws, Amendments, and
Elections Committee

Senator Linda Pulsinelli introduced Sena Norma Jean Schira from the College ^{of Appl} Education. She replaces Senator Elizabeth Jones.

Faculty Status and
Welfare Committee

Senator Parks commented upon a report containing salary information for WKU faculty in comparison with the Consumer Price Index (FSW: 002.1). After much discussion of the salary situation, Senator Parks introduced a resolution (FSW: 003.1) with regard to salary increases. Senator Kyle Wallace moved that the final two words of paragraph three (...period and,) be amended to read "academic year 1978-79 and,". The amendment and the resolution passed by unanimous voice vote. Senator Parks also inquired of Senator ^{James} Davis whether the Faculty Personnel File Information would be forthcoming. Senator Davis replied that the information can be expected by January 1. Senator Veenker presented a preliminary report (FSW: 001.1) for information on committee's progress in dealing with Rank and Promotion policies. The Senators were urged to respond in writing or at the next scheduled Senate meeting to the committee policy report.

Institutional Goals and Planning Committee

Senator Miller reported that her committee hopes to bring forth a report at the January meeting with regard to enrollment trends. She asked Senators to write and phone Representative Jody Richards during the special session of the Legislature to lobby against tax and budget cuts.

New Business

Senator Hunter brought to the floor a statement from a constituent who favors censure and other penalties for faculty who dismiss classes prior to vacation periods. The chair directed the concern to Senator Petersen's committee on Professional Responsibilities and Concerns.

Adjournment

The Senate adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Standing Committee Status Reports

- A. Executive--Charles Petrichsen
- B. Fiscal Affairs--Don Butler
- C. By-Laws, Amendments, and Elections--Linda Fajstahl
- D. Faculty Status and Welfare--Jim Parks
- E. Professional Responsibilities and Concerns--Al Petersen
- F. Institutional Goals and Planning--Mary Ellen Miller
- G. Academic Affairs--Don Butler
- H. Communications--William Gallo

New Business

Announcements

Adjournment