

MINUTES

FACULTY SENATE

March 8, 1979

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order on Thursday, March 8, 1979, at 3:15 P.M. in the Ballroom of the Garrett Conference Center by the acting Chair, Tom Jones. A quorum was present.

Roll Call

Absent:

1. Bill Buckman
 2. Jefferson Caskey
 3. Bryce Combs
 4. Robert Eversoll
 5. Ray Johnson
 6. Wilburn Jones*
 7. Albert Laird
 8. David Rivers
 9. George Roberts
 10. Norma Jean Schira
 11. Robert Teske
 12. Jack Thacker
 13. William Traugott
- (*Sent Kyle Wallace to observe in his stead.)

Minutes

Corrections:

Page two, paragraph four: change March 2 and 22 to February 21 and 22. The minutes of the February 8 meeting were approved as corrected. (Senator Henrickson informed the Secretary that he had sent an observer to the February 15 meeting.)

Election

The election of a chair for the Third Faculty Senate at Western Kentucky University was held. Senator Pulsinelli nominated Senator Tom Jones. After the nomination was seconded, Senator Bohland moved the closing of nominations. That motion was seconded and passed. Senator Jones was elected chair by acclamation.

Remarks by the Chairs of Standing Committees

The chairs of each standing committee informed the Senate with regard to the current activities of his/her committee as well as the committee's constitutional mandate.

Re-organization of the
Standing Committees

Each college caucused to appoint at least one member of the caucus to each of the standing committees. Subsequently, each of the standing committees met in order to elect a chair for itself.

Remarks by Representative
Richards

State Representative Jody Richards addressed himself to fiscal issues and the special session of the Legislature. Representative Richards remarked that faculties in higher education need more money and that they might do well to consider some sort of organized lobby. He sees the need for changes in the operation of the Council on Higher Education and said that he would like to consult with the Congress of Senate Faculty Leaders.

Reports of the Standing
Committees

Executive Committee

Senator Henrickson called attention to several items in the agenda folders which had come through the Executive Committee. He pointed out that the proposal submitted at the February meeting from the Professional Responsibilities and Concerns Committee was passed by the Council of Deans.

The Chair introduced a resolution from the Congress of Senate Faculty Leaders (in the packet). Senator Krenzin moved its acceptance and that the Senate direct the Chair to appoint one other person to work with him. The motion was seconded by Senator Pulsinelli.

Fiscal Affairs

Senator Bailey expounded upon the material which he had inserted in the packets. He explained why he was greatly opposed to putting pressure on the administration for particular budget cuts at this late date. He made several remarks pertaining to his committee's document FAC 002.1.

Professional Concerns and
Responsibilities

Senator Petersen discussed department heads' actions on evaluations of department members' being accepted. He suggested that "unofficial files" should also be open to individual faculty members.

Institutional Goals and Planning

Senator Miller presented the Lucas resolution having to do with rotating chairmanships. Senator Shadowen moved that the resolution be tabled until the April meeting. Senator Henrickson seconded Senator Shadowen's motion. Senator Leonard moved that the resolution be sent back to committee. Senator John Jones seconded Senator Leonard's motion. The motion passed. Senator Miller pointed out that the motion could be brought back at the next meeting. Senator Miller informed the Senate that Federal aid to student monies would be voted upon in 1979. She moved that the Chair be directed to write to legislators to urge their vote to continue these programs, on behalf of the Faculty Senate. Senator Powell seconded Senator Miller's motion. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Academic Affairs

Senator Butler presented the material which had been previously placed in the packets. He talked briefly about the student evaluations of the faculty.

New Business

Senator Henrickson asked the Senators to make suggestions pertaining to effective ways open to the faculty with regard to political action in order to remedy the current salary situation.

Adjournment

The Senate adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

(The GSWC agrees that the various Senate bodies across the state will take action on this resolution as soon as possible. Many forms of this resolution have already been passed by Iowa state institutions: UNI, Northern, Murray, and the University of Iowa. Since the majority of the resolutions involve daily leadership of faculty bodies, rather than the bodies themselves, there should be no problem in all passage. Harry Barker, director of the Council on Higher Education, has already requested a meeting with the faculty of the Council, therefore, there is some degree of urgency in the adopting this resolution. This resolution is being acted upon under the Greenwald, and if any body attempted to amend the resolution it would then be void and all resolutions and actions.)