



WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY 42101

Faculty Senate

MEMORANDUM

TO: MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY SENATE
FROM: TOM JONES, CHAIR
DATE: January 31, 1980
SUBJECT: CALLED MEETING

A RATIONALE FOR A PETITION TO THE GOVERNOR AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR FUNDING FOR HIGHER EDUCATION AT THE CHE-RECOMMENDED LEVEL

1. There is more and more talk in Frankfort, in the papers, about there being not enough money.
2. More talk about faculties receiving at best 7%.
3. A petition should not, in my opinion, be tied to WKU as such, but to the CHE's recommendations for 9.5% plus, in some instances, an additional 5% 'catch-up'.
4. Pat Bowen made a point: when we sit around and talk to other professors about our straits, we are preaching to the converted and are therefore doing nothing. But when we talk to the legislature, we may have some small effect.
5. This is meant to be an effort not to hamper the efforts of either the CHE or of any university president. Quite the contrary, it is meant to be an effort to help them.
6. It is important to note that I am requesting that members of the COSFL do the same thing, a suggestion, I might note, that has been enthusiastically received.
7. Finally, I should note this: as chair of the COSFL, I would then call a meeting in Frankfort (after all six petitions are done) and try to get an audience with the Governor, then to present the petitions to him, hoping, of course, for some publicity.

TGJ/mh

THE RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED, THAT THE FACULTY SENATE OF WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY SUPPORTS THE INCREASES IN SALARY FUNDING REQUESTED BY THE COUNCIL ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND URGES THE GOVERNOR, SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, AND MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FUND THE SALARY PROPOSALS OF THE CHE.

RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED THAT THE FACULTY SENATE OF WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY URGES ALL FACULTY MEMBERS TO SIGN PETITIONS WITH THE ABOVE RESOLUTION ON THEM.