

MINUTES

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

October 9, 1980

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order on Thursday, October 9, 1980, at 3:12 p.m. in the Ballroom of Garrett Conference Center by the chair, Don Bailey. A quorum was present.

Roll Call

Absent:

- | | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Marvin Albin* | 7. Michael Klein |
| 2. Fred Clark | 8. James Parks |
| 3. Phil Constans | 9. Neil Peterie* |
| 4. James Davis | 10. David Rivers |
| 5. William Davis | 11. Mahmoud Salem |
| 6. Ray Johnson | 12. Imogene Simpson |

*sent an observer

Minutes

For the September 11 meeting, Wilburn Jones was present.

On page 2, the Academic Affairs report should read: "...correspondence, deadlines..."

On page 3, paragraph 5: "...to preserve continuity..."
With these corrections the minutes were approved.

Report of the Chair

The Chair announced the appointment of an Advisory Committee on the Awarding of Honorary Degrees by issuing the following statement:

"At its September 6 meeting the Board of Regents approved the recommendation of President Zacharias that a committee be appointed to 'draw up specific criteria and deadlines for the submission of names of individuals to be considered for honorary degrees.' The chairman of the Faculty Senate is a standing position on this committee. The committee will be chaired by the university president. In order to make available to the senate chairman a broad faculty viewpoint, I am appointing the following faculty members to an Advisory Committee on Honorary Degrees:

Jean Almand -- Academic Services
Elsie Dotson -- Education
Gene Evans -- Business
Joan Krenzin -- Applied Arts & Health
Donald Tuck -- Arts and Humanities
Kyle Wallace -- Science & Technology

This committee is charged with developing a 'faculty position' regarding qualifications for and the awarding of honorary degrees."

Next the Chair presented a statement concerning the 1981 evaluation of "Service Administrators."

"During Senate III an Ad Hoc committee was appointed to prepare an instrument for evaluating administrators. The committee, consisting of Phil Constans (chairman), Bill Davis, Norm Hunter, Alton Little, Dick Troutman, Nancy Solley, and David Rivers, chose to separate the evaluation into two parts: (1) an evaluation of the president, vice-presidents, deans, and department heads (conducted in the spring of 1980, and (2) an evaluation of service administrators to be carried out during the spring of 1981.

I have been in contact with each member of this committee. Norm Hunter has asked to be replaced and Phil Constans does not wish to continue as chairman of the committee. All other members have agreed to continue this work. I am appointing Dr. William F. Pfohl of the Department of Psychology to replace Norm Hunter. I have also asked Dr. Pfohl to chair this committee, and Phil Constans has agreed to serve as Assistant Chairman. This committee will begin soon to prepare the instrument for this evaluation.

I am charging this committee not only with developing the instrument for this evaluation, but also with providing a plan for (1) carrying out the evaluation, (2) documenting the evaluation, and (3) deciding the eventual fate of both original and final typed and print-out copies of the evaluation.

Finally, I am asking that this statement of committee membership and charge be included in the minutes for the record."

COSFL Report

The agenda was altered without objection so that Senator Veenker could present the COSFL report at this time. Senator Veenker called attention to the minutes of the COSFL meeting, September 13, 1980. He mentioned that a four-part study on higher education in Kentucky was being developed. He then urged the Senate to continue writing letters to State officials in an effort to keep before them the issues which most concern us.

Standing Committee Reports

- By-Laws, Amendments
and Elections
- Senator Leonard announced that Dan Benardot will replace Marizu Richardson as Senator from Home Ec. & Family Living. He further stated that Senators with class conflicts have been contacted and those people will send observers.
- The Faculty Regent's election will be October 15 and 16 to vote for Bill Buckman, Tom Jones, Carl Kell, or Carl Kreisler.
- Faculty Status
and Welfare
- Senator Wicklander reported that the following studies are being developed by committee members:
- Contingency position policies--F. Murphy
Summer school and overload pay--C. Henrickson
Retirement insurance provisions--E. Monroe
Alternatives to collective bargaining--Bluhm
- He mentioned that the survey of credits for prior experience has been distributed to committee members for further study.
- Institutional Goals
and Planning
- Senator Blann urged the Senate to participate in completing the open-ended questionnaire on goals of the university. This will appear in the forthcoming Faculty Senate Newsletter with forms to be completed by October 31, 1980.
- Unfinished Business
- The motion to destroy the 1978 Administrators' Evaluation, which had been postponed definitely, was discussed by the Chair, who had assimilated legal opinions on this matter with the consensus being never to release nor to destroy the evaluation. Senator Wells then withdrew his motion. Discussion followed.
- Comments by the
Faculty Regent
- Senator Buckman commented on several items being discussed at the Frankfort level. He is continuing to pursue the budgetary allocations of FTE students in all state universities and will present data to the Senate Fiscal Affairs Committee. Other items included: (1) the handling at the local level of any new university programs and allocation of resources for such, (2) presentation of teacher certification guidelines, (3) Harry Snyder's ongoing examination of mission statements of state universities, and (4) Bob Sexton's role in and study of the future of higher education in Kentucky.
- Announcements
- President Zacharias announced that the Master's program in Computer Science has received final approval.
- Chair Bailey urged all Senators to give suggestions concerning the evaluation on Service Administrators

to ad hoc committee members.

Tom Jones presented the idea of an open forum for Faculty Regent candidates. There was no response from the floor, but the Chair recommended that the idea be considered for the next election since a general feeling had prevailed of not enough time to organize such a forum for this election.

Adjournment

A Humphrey/Bluhm motion to adjourn passed unanimously at 3:50 p.m.