

Committee ReportsCommittee on University Committees:

Joan Krenzin stated that she has received numerous corrections from faculty on the draft University Committee Membership List distributed last month. She requested that further changes be forwarded immediately. Only committee members' names are to be submitted, as there is insufficient space to list alternates.

The members of the Vice-Presidential Search Committee are: Elmer Gray (Chair), Chuck Anderson, Mary Boemker, Connie Foster, Jorge Garcia, Bob Hoyt, Peggy Keck, John Long, Dan Roenker, Richard Weigel, Laurence Boucher.

The President has appointed a committee to review the Purdue Student Evaluations. The members are: John O'Connor (Chair), Nancy Baird, Mel Borland, Mary Crisp, Jeff Felty, Doug Fugate, Charles Henrickson, Wayne Hoffman, Pauline Jones, Ed Jordan, Laurin Notheisen, Pat Pearson, Kathy Rohleder, Sheila Waninger.

Professional Responsibilities and Concerns Committee:

Margaret Howe reported that nominations for the College Excellence Awards are due by February 3, 1984. Only the name of the person nominated is needed.

The Committee is also working on awards for faculty who work in Academic Services. A small, representative group within the College is being formed. This group will make a recommendation to the Dean. If you are interested or have suggestions, please contact Tom Foster.

An excellent response was received from department heads concerning the use they make of the student evaluation forms. A report will be forthcoming after study.

The Purdue cafeteria system of evaluating faculty will probably be reviewed in the spring semester. Vice-President Davis has asked this committee to recommend whether the Purdue system should continue in use, or whether some new system should be adopted to be used in 1984-85. Anyone with strong feelings on the subject is encouraged to communicate in writing with Dr. John O'Connor, the Chair of the Student Evaluation Committee. Any concerns which you would like to channel through the Senate should be sent (also in written form) to the Professional Responsibilities and Concerns Committee.

New BusinessCOSFL Political Action Proposal:

Harry Robe reported on a proposal adopted at the last COSFL meeting. The proposal consists of two parts:

- (1) Legislation which affects higher education would be monitored. As legislation is filed, its content and intent would be reviewed. Pieces of proposed legislation which affect higher education would be distributed to the COSFL representatives on each campus for the information of, and possible action by, faculty members across the state. Critical bills would be followed through the legislative process, and, when necessary, faculty would appear at hearings or confer with the sponsors of the legislation.



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- (ii) The actions of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and each legislator would be followed as they propose legislation, appear at hearings, and cast their votes for or against legislation which is important to higher education. This activity would result in a periodic *How Your Legislators Voted* report which would be distributed to faculty through the faculty senates across the state. In addition, there would be a *Legislative Scorecard* which summarizes the actions of legislators and governmental leaders which would be prepared at the close of the legislative session.

To carry out these projects would require some funding to cover printing, travel, and mailing expenses.

It is recommended that each senate endorse these projects through a motion or resolution, and set up a means of collecting voluntary contributions which will be used to fund these proposed projects.

Senator Robe moved the endorsement of this proposal, with the following addition:

Each senator will contact the members of his or her department and inform them about these projects. Each faculty member will be requested to make a contribution of at least one dollar to help provide the funding mentioned in the proposal. Monies collected will be placed in a special account which will be opened at the Credit Union by noon, Monday, December 12. Checks should be made out to COSFL Political Activities Fund. Senators should either forward the funds to Harry Robe at the Psychology Department, or deposit them directly in the account at the Credit Union.

The motion was passed.

N. B. It is very important that faculty participate in these contributions, as primary and secondary school teachers have become highly active politically, and appear to support diverting funds from higher education to elementary/secondary education.

The COSFL committee will review pre-field legislation and prepare a report for distribution to faculty at the beginning of the spring semester. If any issues emerge which require urgent attention, a "Legislative Alert" will be distributed to faculty senates.

Faculty Regent's Report

Faculty Regent Mary Ellen Miller made the following announcements:

The Board of Regents Student Affairs Committee met and discussed co-ed housing and the fraternity row issue. No action was taken.

The procedures for employing the Vice-President, and all other administrative personnel, are those adopted in April, 1977.

The Strategic Planning Task Force will meet later this month. A report will be forthcoming.

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