

MINUTES

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

September 30, 1986

- Call to Order The Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate met on September 30, 1986 in the Graduate College Conference Room. The meeting was delayed until 3:30 in hopes that Nancy Baird, Chair of the By-Laws, Amendments and Elections Committee, would arrive. Those present were Linda Allan, Gene Evans, Joan Krenzin, Fred Murphy, Janet Palmer, and Faye Robinson. Paul Campbell and Brian Sullivan were absent.
- Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed. They were approved as written.
- Faculty Regent
Election Chair Evans noted that the term of Regent Mary Ellen Miller expires this month. Since Chair Evans had not been notified of the need for an election, the election will have to be held in October. The informational letter to the faculty has been printed and it should be distributed to all eligible faculty on October 1. The election will be held on October 30.
- Tom Jones Symposium
on Faculty
Governance The Committee dealing with Departmental Governance will probably have its report ready by November. This report will go to both the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the President. It is intended that it also go to the faculty for "exhaustive discussion." Lowell Harrison has suggested that this might be the topic for the Tom Jones Symposium on Faculty Governance, which would logically be held in February. The Executive Committee generally agreed that this symposium should be held in the afternoon on a school day, that several panelists should be invited to speak, that faculty from other state schools should be invited to attend, and that lunch should be served to invited speakers. This topic will be brought up at the next Senate meeting.

Evaluation
of Faculty

Noting that ASG is again requesting that student evaluations of faculty be disseminated among the students, Faye Robinson suggested that we prepare a list of appropriate evaluation items for them. Joan Krenzin suggested that a joint committee of ASG members and Senate representatives prepare such a list. Janet Palmer noted that with the most recent regulations, graduate students took as long as 20 minutes conducting the current evaluations, and faculty could not afford to have another class period sacrificed in that way. It was suggested that students might go to the ASG office to fill out their evaluations. Although this procedure would, indeed, measure student enthusiasm for this activity, it would be difficult to insure that students were evaluating only the professors in classes in which they were enrolled. Gene Evans will probably discuss some of these ideas when he meets with Paul Cook on this subject. He may also include an ASG representative in that meeting.

Community
College

Joan Krenzin noted that President Alexander, in a meeting with the Potter College members of the Faculty Regent's Advisory Committee, had assured the group that community college students and university students would not be in classes together. However, the spring schedule shows numerous day (and some evening) classes which will be cross-listed in both the community college and the university. It was decided that the topic of the community college needed to be discussed in the Senate as soon as possible. Gene Evans will invite Ronnie Sutton and a current director of the community college, if Evans can find out who that is, to speak at the October Senate meeting and answer questions from senators. Primary concerns would include academic integrity and faculty quality.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50.


Joan Krenzin