

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Cravens Conference Room

December 1, 1987

3:20 p.m.

Brian Sullivan was absent.

Minutes were amended on the section for Fiscal affairs: line 3, second sentence should read: For example, a pre-determined charge of \$3.50 can be given ...; under COSFL, Harry Robs was changed to Robe; in the 4th to last line the was inserted before Vice-President.

Announcements: The December Senate will meet in the Regents Room.

The Faculty Senate secretary's office is CH 224D.

December 9th, 3:30 p.m. in 305 DUC will be the first in a series of open forums. All were urged to attend to question legislators. All media have received releases of the event.

December 9th is also the library reception for faculty who have published: Kentucky Library/Museum from 2:00 - 4:00.

Academic Affairs Committee: will have no report.

By-Laws, Amendments, & Elections Committee: will have no report.

Committee on University Committees: will have no report unless the President responds to the committee's recommendations. We are waiting for three committees.

Communications Committee: will have no report.

Faculty Status and Welfare Committee: Senator Brunson will distribute more salary surveys, and plans some comparative data between 1977 and 1987 salaries to be used for the forum on the 9th. Further data is still needed to complete the comparison between University and public school salaries. Some believe that we are worse off than they, but that may not be the case. Their degrees differ and may throw off a comparison.

It was suggested that a survey be conducted on "How award winners rank in salary." Is an increase reflected in their salaries? Senator Brunson said that his committee would investigate it.

Fiscal Affairs Committee: will have no report.

Institutional Goals and Planning: The Head/Chair motion and amendment will go for a second reading. (See Senate handouts for December meeting.)

It was suggested that the vote should be by secret ballot. The ballots will be readied and the results of the vote will be sent to the vice-president.

Professional Responsibilities and Concerns: Proposals presented at the November Senate will be voted on at the December Senate. (See November Senate minutes.)

Selection of awards candidates and criteria was discussed with no resolution. Each department develops ^{its} their own guidelines for awards, yet there is no consistent record of colleagues achievements to inform others of those eligible for nominations.

Perhaps we could call around to see what kinds of awards are given from other institutions which we respect.

COSFL: Senator Campbell will report on a proposal that was passed wherein COSFL supports a change in university retirement systems to allow faculty to choose KTRS, TIAA/CREP or other.

Saturday, November 28's meeting outlined what COSFL

hopes to attain with this legislature.

COSFL talked about a name change.

Unfinished Business: Vote on the Head/Chair motion.

The second reading of the task force on faculty recognition. (See November Senate minutes.)

New Business: The Brunson/Love motion should read:

Resolved that the WKU Faculty Senate strongly encourages favorable consideration of the possibility of adopting an optional retirement plan with TIAA.

Senator Krenzin suggested looking into the services of the post office on campus. Mail seems to lose two days in time; Christmas stamps were not on sale before Thanksgiving. Campus mail is also late.

The Executive Committee has a meeting with Vice-President Haynes and plans to have future meetings with him.

Senator Murphy asked that the committee think about which concerns the Senate should consider for the Spring Semester.

Senator Brunson recommended that all read A Nation at

Risk.

The next meeting will be on the 2nd Tuesday of January -
January 12.

The group adjourned at 4:17 p.m.