

Minutes of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and Committee Chairs

November 10, 1995

Vice Chairman Carl Kell called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Present were Carl Kell, Rose Davis, Fred Murphy, Mark Robinson, Randy Swift, David Keeling, and Marion Lucas.

Academic Affairs: Mark Robinson reported the committee is monitoring New Level. Mark talked with Kyle Wallace. There is a reception, Monday, December 4 for Task Force members and persons involved with implementation. Mark will obtain the actual document the Board approved. Copies will be placed in the Library Reference office. Implementation schedule: Admission requirements, new students, Fall 1996; the University College and advisors phased in beginning Fall 1997.

By-Laws, Amendments, and Elections: No report.

Professional Responsibilities and Concerns: Marion Lucas reported committee members are looking on Internet for information related to questions raised by Jerry Post. WKU home pages are not to be used for advertizing or consulting. Larry Snyder is working on the faculty ethics report. It will be put on-line and meetings will be held to get feedback. Marion will be discussing the "elected department chairperson" topic with the committee.

Faculty Status and Welfare: Randy Swift reported the 33 page salary study is ready to be copied. It will be distributed at the December 7 meeting. Randy will give a copy of the disk to Rose to have the report put on the Senate home page.

Fiscal Affairs: David Keeling reported part-time faculty surveys have been mailed. The questions are the same as the 1990-91 survey. Responses so far concern: low stipend, health care benefits, like working with students. Department Head surveys will go out next. Not much information has been received on the WKU Foundation. David has been appointed to the Vice President for Institutional Advancement Search Committee. The President and a Louisville firm are selecting three names from the applications. The Search Committee will then meet with these candidates.

Senate Communications: Carl reported for Bart White that the newsletter will be on-line by Monday, December 4. The Senate home page has been through the oversight committee. Margaret Cline assured Bart everything will go upright away from now on.

Executive Committee: Carl will prepare an agenda for the December 5 meeting with the President: faculty salary report, home page progress, early retirement option concerns, part-time faculty survey, update on New Level.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Discussion of the Pictorial Directory. It was decided it was not necessary to bring it to the full Senate.

Carl commented that Faculty Regent, Ray Mendel was very discouraged that the Senate has not come out more on New Level.

Rose Davis, Secretary