

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, October 1, 1985

Faculty Senate Chair Eugene Evans presided. He discussed the Constitution of the Senate, noting that the Faculty Senate officers are not included for membership, but attended by custom only. The membership, according to the constitution, is made up of an elected representative from each college. Also, the meetings are to be recorded by the secretary and the minutes read at the regular meetings.

Chuck Crume reported on COSFL, which met at the Brown Hotel in Louisville. The two concerns were (1) quality of university life and (2) the need for active dialogue between faculty and administration. On Saturday, a recommendation was made concerning whether administrators should be granted more authority in faculty governments. Merit pay is a significant issue on all campuses, with emphasis on the question of "What is merit?" Murray has a Cornell author coming to discuss this.

There is a need for more committee members for the Committee on Elections, according to Nancy Baird. For example, there is no one represented from Potter or Business.

The administrative evaluation discussed at the last Faculty Senate was addressed by John Parker, Paul Campbell, and Carl Kell. Parker questioned the power of the existing document (1977). According to Kell we are obligated by it unless there is a 2/3 vote to rescind it. Campbell suggested that Paul Cook may have a statement at the next meeting, but according to Parliamentarian Kell, we have no obligation to discuss it this year. Ed Hegen suggested distributing the evaluation and voting on it at the next meeting, and Crum sees a need to decide on this before the cutbacks begin.

Barry Brunson distributed a letter from his committee on Faculty Status and Welfare on revisions of WKU policy on termination and layoff due to financial exigency/program changes. He wants a motion to encourage the administration to do nothing until the Senate has a chance to make positive suggestions. He will bring such a motion to the next meeting.

Nancy Davis of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Ed Hegen, Committee on Goals and Planning announced a joint plan to sponsor Pat Kafogolis to speak on the CHE report. This report will go to the legislature in October. We want to know the way it comes into being, what power the Council has. What is the idea of a comprehensive university Aslo, are the Centers of Excellence evolutionary? Evans suggested the report was still in draft form and it was important to respond now to help modify it.

Linda ~~Evans~~<sup>Evans</sup> reported that her committee had four names to submit to the President for the advisory committee.

The question of summer school, 1986, and a retreat to open dialogue between the Board of Regents, Faculty, students, and administrators were suggested by Kell as possible topics for discussion.

Kell moved to adjourn, seconded by Brunson.