Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order on Thursday, November 8, 1979, in the Ballroom of the Garrett Conference Center at 3:12 PM by the Chair, Tom Jones. A quorum was present.

Absent:
1. Marvin Albin
2. Ed Bohlander
3. Bill Buckman
4. Robert Smith
5. James Davis
6. William Davis
7. Robert Eversoll
8. Richard Greer
9. William Leonard
10. James Parks
11. David Rivers
12. John Long*
13. Virginia Neel*

*sent observer

Representative Jody Richards

Representative Richards made several remarks about the fiscal affairs of the Commonwealth. He said that for several reasons Western is in a relatively good position with regard to appropriations. The percentage increase in the recommendation of the CHE for Western is in large measure due to the hard work of President Zacharias.

President Donald Zacharias

President Zacharias made a few brief remarks about the university budget and indicated that he too sees Western in a relatively good position. He mentioned that the effort of Senators Buckman and Jones with the CHE have been significant.
Minutes

There were several corrections and one addition to the minutes of the meeting of October 11:

Throughout the document, any writing of the letters COFSL should be read COSFL.

Pg. 1, last paragraph read: The Little/J. Jones motion not to vote by secret ballot failed 24-22.

Pg. 3, read: Senator Peterie (not Petrie).
Pg. 3, BAE: ..."floating" departments were presented.

Pg. 4, IGP read: ...enrollment patterns are still coming in.

Pg. 5, (2), Administrative evaluations: ... to study the appropriateness of...

Addition to page 5: Following the PRC report the following report was omitted: Emeritus Faculty Committee Report: Senator Shadowen moved the adoption of his committee's document 001.1 10/11/79 (2nd by William Davis). It passed unanimously.

Standing Committees

The Executive Committee

At the last meeting of the committee Tom Jones announced the hiring of a new Senate secretary, Ms. Melna Hargan. (At this point in the meeting Ms. Hargan stood to be introduced to the Senate.) Thanks were given to Ms. Lana Flynn and Ms. Laura Harper Lee for the work they did for the Senate in the absence of a permanent secretary. Marion B. Lucas was elected secretary of the Executive Committee. Tom Jones received an award from the KEA at a Louisville luncheon for his work in promoting the welfare of education in the Commonwealth through the COSFL. Tom Jones informed the committee that President Zacharias wants the Senate to appoint a Committee on Committees.
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to assist him in appointing
faculty University committees.
After a discussion of the FS
Newsletter, the editor, Senator
Bob Martin was given a vote of
confidence by the committee.

After the above report by Senator
Krenzin, the Chair announced that
he had made several appointments
to two committees: to the Ad Hoc
on Administrative Evaluation:
Senator Phil Constans, chair,
Bill Davis, Norm Hunter, Alton
Little, David Rivers, Nancy Solley,
and Dick Troutman. Appointments to
the Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty
Evaluation: Charles Henrickson,
Nancy Baird, Mary Crisp, Mohaninder
Gill, Larry Hanser, Carol Lockhart,
Marizu Richardson, and Dale
Wicklander. Senator Krenzin made
the following motion: "I move
that the Senate approve the committee
appointments just read." 2nd by
Mary Ellen Miller. Passed by
unanimous voice vote.

Institutional Goals and
Planning

Senator Mary Ellen Miller intro-
duced Senator Combs who presented
his television announcements
about WKU for public service time.

Academic Affairs

Senator Peterie again spoke
briefly in support of his committee's
report AA 002.1 10/4/79 on reform
of the General Education Guide-
lines. He made the following
motion: "I move that the Faculty
Senate pass this document (AA 002.1)
and pass it on to the General
Education Committee of the Academic
Council." (2nd by Senator Butler).
Discussion followed. The William
Moore/Rowe motion ("that the total
requirements for General Education
be reduced to 50-51 hours.") was
defeated by a voice vote. During
the discussion of the Strande/Clark
motion ("that HLSft 382 Bio-
statistics be accepted as a Math
substitute.") The Hanser/M.E. Miller
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motion to post-pone AA 002.1 indefinitely passed by a voice vote.

Senator Pulsinelli with a second from Senator Blann moved the adoption of BAE 005.1 (Committee on Committees). The Constans/Melville amendment to change "create" to "request the creation of " passed by a voice vote as did the main motion to adopt BAE 005.1.

The Pulsinelli/Krenzin motion to adopt BAE 006.1 11/8/78 (to change the Communications Committee from Ad Hoc to standing committee status) was passed by a voice vote after brief discussion.

Senator Pulsinelli reported that the BAE committee has decided not to propose any constitutional changes that would change the status of at-large senators.

Senator Bailey had no formal report but requested that senators feel free to continue to send requests to his committee.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Senator Petersen made the following motion: "I'd like to move the adoption of PRC 001.1 (2nd reading of Ombudsman proposal)." Seconded by Senator Powell. During the discussion, the Peterle/Constans amendment (paragraph 3: read: "by a majority vote of the Faculty Senate three names will be submitted to the President.") failed. The Pulsinelli/R. Miller amendment (The Executive Committee will select and submit three names for approval by the entire Senate and, upon that approval, will submit them to the President.") passed 30-10.
Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Administrator Evaluation

Senator Constans informed the Senate of his committee's membership (Bill Davis, Norm Hunter, Alton Little, David Rivers, Nancy Solley, and Dick Troutman) and urged the Senate to make suggestions for procedures to that committee.

New Business

The Beach/Krenzin motion that the regular Senate meeting for January 1980 be held irregularly on the 17th, passed by a voice vote.

Adjournment

The Senate adjourned at 5:03 PM.
CREATION OF COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

At the request of President Zacharias, the responsibility for University-wide committee appointments is to be removed from the Office of the Vice-President for Administrative Affairs and placed in the hands of the Faculty Senate. Because of the weight and magnitude of this responsibility, it seems imperative that the Senate create a standing Committee on University Committees to deal with such appointments on a regular basis.

The B.A.E. Committee therefore proposes that the Faculty Senate create a standing Committee on University Committees described in the Constitution of the Faculty Senate as follows:

"8. Committee on University Committees

It shall be the responsibility of this committee to appoint members of the university community to university-wide committees when instructed to do so by the Chairperson of the Faculty Senate at the request of the President of the University."

CREATION OF COMMITTEE ON SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

Since its inception, the Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Senate Communications has devoted a great deal of time and effort to regular publication of the Faculty Senate Newsletter. Due to the increased responsibility and importance of this committee, the B.A.E. Committee requests that the Committee on Senate Communications become a standing committee of the Faculty Senate described in the Constitution as follows:

"9. Committee on Senate Communications

It shall be the responsibility of this committee to produce and distribute the Faculty Senate Newsletter to the university community and to prepare other communiques of an informative nature at the request of the Chairperson of the Faculty Senate."