MINUTES
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

November 11, 1982

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order on Thursday, November 11, 1982, at 3:10 p.m.
A quorum was present.

Roll Call

Absent were:

1. James Ausenbaugh
2. Pat Bowen*
3. David Coffey
4. Frank Conley
5. Mary Crisp
6. Glenn Duffy
7. Robert Eversoll
8. Larry Finley*
9. John Graham
10. Dorsey Grice
11. Margaret Howe
12. Tom Isherwood
13. John Jones
14. Frank Kersting

*sent observer

Senator Seeger requested a change on page 2, last paragraph, line 2, to read...the Chair to provide the Senate with copies of the directive which established this new procedure. The minutes of October 14, 1982, were then approved.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Executive Committee

Senator Uveges reported on the following: 1) The Chair received a memo from President Zacharias regarding partial distribution of grant funds to colleges and departments; 2) The Vice-Chair, upon recommendation from the Executive Committee, will review and distribute to committee chairs relevant material found in minutes from other faculty senates. Anyone wanting to see these minutes should contact the Vice-Chair; 3) The Vice-Chair and Dr. John Peterson have applications for faculty interested in exchange opportunities.

Committee on Committees

Senator Weigel announced that three faculty members were nominated for the Parking and Traffic Committee. From those, President Zacharias appointed Linda Allan, Dept. of Library Automation and Technical Services. The committee has submitted nominees for the Insurance Committee. Senator Weigel then requested any committee questionnaires still out to be forwarded to him in the History Department.

Faculty Status and Welfare Committee

Referring to the Senate resolution of October 14, 1982, for open hearings on insurance issues, Senator Murphy said that President Zacharias forwarded the statement, with his endorsement, to Mr. Largen. The committee met with President Zacharias to discuss ways of presenting more effective salary studies and analyses.
Professional Responsibilities and Concerns Committee

Senator Mason noted that department heads are entitled to one copy of the faculty member’s evaluation; the other copy goes to the faculty member. Results are confidential.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Self-Study Committee

Senator Harrington reported that the ad hoc committee on the Senate’s contribution to the University’s Self-Study Report has held weekly meetings, designed and administered a questionnaire which brought 200 responses, and has concentrated on standards 1, 2, 4, and 8 for their report. In lieu of a second reading of the report, which is due December 15, the committee has arranged the following times for faculty to hear the report:

1) December 1--1:30 p.m., Regents' Room, 3:30 p.m., DUC 308
2) December 3--8:00 a.m., Regents' Room.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Senator Jones presented BAE 006.1 to amend III C 4, for second reading as follows:

...Vacancies in at-large delegations shall be filled by the individual receiving the next highest vote in the at-large election of the college in which the vacancy occurred. In the event no individual on the ballot is eligible under the provisions of s III A 3, a special election shall be held in that college.

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The Chair adjusted the agenda to accommodate an issue coming before the Academic Council on November 18, 1982. An Elliot/Klein motion was made that the Senate endorse the circulating of petitions which recommend including a 136-hour graduation requirement for students seeking secondary teacher certification. A Baldwin/Harrington motion carried to strike the words in the petition after issue to read "This petition is intended solely as a means for faculty to express their feelings concerning an important issue." A Schneider/Solley motion carried to insert "secondary" before "teacher certification." The original motion then carried.

The Review and Evaluation of Academic Units/Administrators Committee attended the Senate to answer questions about its report. Members present were: Elmer Gray, Chair, Ed Dorman, James Rice, Pat Taylor, John O'Connor, and William Lloyd. A Weigel/Uveges motion carried to conduct open discussion.

In a straw vote (Weigel/Murphy motion passed), favored reducing the time for evaluation from 5 years to 3 years or 1 year as follows: every year--9; every 3 years--16; every 5 years--1.

A Seeger/Weigel motion for a straw vote carried. The Senate supported the idea that the President be evaluated as part of this process to be carried out by the administration by a vote of 26-0.

A Murphy/Weigel motion for a straw vote carried. Senators
voted 24-0 that a vote of confidence statement be placed at the end of the evaluation instrument.

A Pearson/Uveges motion carried to accept for first reading FSW 004.1, regarding tenure.

A Seeger/Alford motion carried to accept for first reading IGP 001.1, concerning honorary rank.

Senator Buckman announced that the next Board of Regents' meeting is Saturday, November 13, at 10:00 a.m. He reported that the University has a one-million dollar carryover, which is good, but another budget cut could eliminate that, which is bad. Higher education faculty may need to consider sick leave policies because unused sick leave may count towards retirement among some education groups. Senator Buckman expressed appreciation to Dr. Gray and his committee for their work.

Senator Dorman requested written committee reports for the newsletter. Senator Coohill asked Academic Affairs to report on the status of student evaluations.

A Prins/Ritter motion to adjourn passed unanimously at 4:50 p.m.