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WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE  

January 17, 1980  

Call to Order  
The rescheduled meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order on Thursday, January 17, 1980 at 3:13 PM in the Ballroom of the Garrett Conference Center by the Chair, Tom Jones. A quorum was present.  

Roll Call  
Absent:  
1. Bennie Beach  
2. Robert Blann  
3. Don Butler  
4. Dick Cantrell  
5. Robert Smith  
6. Bob Eversoll  
7. Charles Henrickson  
8. Robert Melville  
9. William Moore  
10. Marizu Richardson  
11. George Roberts  
12. Jack Thacker  
13. Dale Wicklander  
14. Joanne Powell*  
15. Bryce Combs*  

*sent observer  

Presidential Remarks  
Hearing no objections, the chair suspended the formal agenda and invited President Zacharias to address the Senate. He informed us that he had been in Frankfort for a reception sponsored by Senator Frank Miller and Representatives Jody Richards and Buddy Adams. The president went on to discuss the bills affecting higher education currently before the General Assembly. In response to HB 156/SB 27 (equity funding for higher education faculty in KTRS), the KTRS has submitted a proposal which states: "Effective July 1, 1980, the member contribution may be reduced by 2.25 percent of annual compensation if the employer voluntarily agrees to contribute a like amount to the retirement system in behalf of the member." [1980 Legislation pertaining to KTRS, p. 3] Dr. Zacharias also informed the
Presidential Remarks (cont.)

Standing Committee Reports

Executive Committee

Senate that higher education continues to rank high in the Governor's budget plans. We have his ear through George Atkin's and a higher education aid to the Governor, Dr. Warren formerly of the MuSU faculty.

Senator Krenzin reported that Senators Lucas and Melville have been appointed to an Ad Hoc Committee on Senate Evaluation. They have been charged to evaluate (through faculty Participation, using a simple form) the merit of the issues the Senate has dealt with and the performance of the Senate in effectively carrying out its business.

Senator Krenzin told of Senator Tom Jones' recent meetings with the President in the course of which the following items were discussed: Parking problems, honorary degrees, Fall break, administrative appointments through search committees, and an Ad Hoc Committee on the Faculty Handbook.

Senator Krenzin then made the following motion: "That the appointment of Senators Lucas and Melville as well as the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee on Senate Evaluation be confirmed." 2nd by Senator Shadowen. The motion passed.

Senator Jones then reported on the meeting of COSFL in Louisville, January 12, 1980. A constitutional amendment was passed which will permit active members of the COSFL to continue their work with COSFL beyond their local senate terms. Steve West of MuSU was appointed Legislative Liaison to help organize lobbying effort for faculty interests which come before the General Assembly. The COSFL met with Charles Vice of the KEA for more than an hour. While taking no stand on the legislation to increase the terms of regents to 6 years, the group agreed to organize a lobbying effort in favor of HB 156/SB 27 (see pg. 1 above).
Standing Committee Reports

Academic Affairs

Senators Peterie and Bingham respectively moved and seconded the recall of AA 002.1 on General Education Guidelines (indefinitely postponed at the November meeting). Fred Murphy of the History Department was given permission to speak against the proposal. Thru Lucas/W. Jones call for immediate vote passed unanimously. AA 002.1 was defeated by a unanimous voice vote.

By-Laws, Amendments and Elections

Senator Pulsinelli brought back BAE 005.1 11/8/79 (Committee on Committees) in order to request a word change. The Pulsinelli/ Little motion, "That the word 'appoint' be changed to 'nominate','" passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Senator Pulsinelli announced that at-large elections to be held in three colleges will begin February 21/22. Departmental elections will begin February 11.

Ad Hoc Committees

Hospitality

Senator Bowen asked for discussion from the floor regarding interest in a Faculty Senate party in February. The Bluhm/Clark motion: "That the Faculty Senate hold a party on February 9," passed.

Administrative Evaluation

Senator Constans presented his committee's document AH (Administrator Evaluation) 001.1 1/17/80 on categories and procedures for the evaluation process. The Constans/Rivers motion to adopt the policy was passed by a voice vote, after the Bluhm/Clark amendment (p.4: 9. "That all line administrators be evaluated only by those in that particular administrator's direct line.") was appended to the document 001.1 1/17/80.

The evaluation form in the packets is to be circulated and criticized; any suggestions forwarded to the committee will be appreciated.

Document AH (Ad. Ev.) 002.1 was distributed for information only.
Senator Hanser is caught up just now in the potential legal liabilities of using faculty evaluations by students in promotion deliberations.

The meeting adjourned at 4:53 PM.