FACULTY SENATE
February 11, 1986
Garrett 103
3:20 p.m.

Senator Murphy called the meeting to order.

Absent without observers were: Kern Alexander, Karlene Ball, James Brown, Faye Carroll, Cam Collins, John Crenshaw, Gene Evans, Betty Fulwood, Keith Gabehart, Dorsey Grice, Gene Harryman, Edward Hein, Reta Hicks, Carolyn Houk, Audrey Humm, Mary Lazarus, Edward T. Martin, Gene Meyers, J. William Murphy, William Neel, John Warren Oakes, Irene Powers, Joyce Rasdall, Robert Reber, Michael Richardson, Joerg Seitz, Bob Tinsley, Brent Tuthill, Jim Wesolowski, and Peggy Wright.

The minutes were approved as presented. Copies of transparencies to accompany the President's January 25th presentation were distributed.

Announcements:

Final plans for the march and rally for Tuesday, February 16th, were announced. 31 signed up to go. Gather 8:15 at D.U.C. WKU's contingent will be first in the march, and each university will have a special sections reserved for it. Attendances is quite important.

Senators/faculty were encouraged to attend rally, to write letters and to call legislators concerning higher education's budget.

Packets of letters from Bob Bell were distributed. An agenda for the rally was included.

By-Laws, Amendments, & Elections Committee:

Senator Sullivan reported that elections would take place during the first week of March.

Committee on University Committees:

Senator Weigel announced appointments to the following committees:

Athletic Committee: Bob Pulsinelli
Committee on the Scheduling of Classes: Livingston Alexander, Rachel Allen, Dana Boden, David Coffey, Thad Crews, Louis Ehroke, Charles Hayes, Jim Heldman, Jim Highland, and Jeff Jenkins

Institutional Goals and Planning:

Senator Murphy remarked that the responses to the committee's survey will help to generate another questionnaire. This second questionnaire will culminate in a report on the climate for research at WKU, its barriers, etc.

Faculty Status and Welfare Committee:

Senator Brunson explained and distributed a handout explaining the status of summer salaries, summer grades, and the sick leave policy. <See enclosure>. Further reports will be given as information comes in.
Adjournment was at 3:55.

The Tom Jones Symposium followed.

Senator Campbell moderated the symposium which was named in honor of Tom Jones, an English professor and a person who was actively involved in the beginnings of the WKU Faculty Senate and in COSFL. Senator Campbell thanked the Office of Academic Affairs and Dr. Haynes for supporting the symposium and thanked Senator Vanderheyden and the Communications Committee for advertising the symposium.

The Role of the Senate at the Commonwealth Universities was the topic of the symposium.

Senator Campbell introduced Bob Campbell from U of L, and Klaus Heberle from Eastern. John Taylor from Murray was scheduled to speak, but weather conditions prevented him from coming to Bowling Green.

Murray’s Faculty Senate is actively involved in the university’s budget.

Bob Campbell explained U of L’s Faculty Senate make-up, distributed an organizational chart and copies of the U of L Senate by-laws. (See handouts.) Chair of Senate is a member of the Board of Trustees.

Klauss Heberle from Eastern Kentucky University remarked that Faculty Senates are a reflection of the political institutions in which they function, and change as the cultures and faculty change. He spoke about the purpose of their senate as being to consider, to formulate, to review, and to recommend policies and procedures designed to foster development and growth of the university.

A discussion followed.

A Dutch-treat meal in the Executive Dining Room in DUC began at 5:30 p.m.