The last meeting of the Senate XVII was called to order by Chair Dietle at 3:46. Betty Fulwood substituted for Louella Fong, and Bob Otto for Barbara Kacer. Absent without alternates were Erika Brady, Jim Brown, Roy Cabaniss, Larry Caillouet, Mary Cobb, Matthew Dettman, Ed Dorman, Egloff Karin, Chris Hamilton, Rita Hessley, Terry Leeper, Patricia Lockett, Glenn Lohr, Bill Meadors, Richard Patterson, Rudy Prins, Shula Ramsay, David Stiles, William Traugott, Bart White, and James Worthington.

Considerations of the Minutes

The minutes for the February 24th meeting were corrected to read "Moving to non-grant-in-aid football should not cause problems with minority enrollment, ...." (in the last paragraph pertaining to the discussion of the motion made by Senator Bussey).

The minutes for the March 10th meeting were approved without any corrections.

Committee Reports

Report from the Executive Committee (Robert Dietle)

The chair reported on the result of the faculty opinion survey about the performance of the president. A total of 631 questionnaires were mailed out and 295 questionnaires were returned. A sheet summarizing the answers to the individual questions, including the average points for each question was handed out.

Report from the Committee on By-Laws, Amendments and Elections (Larry Snyder)

Senator Snyder handed out the list of Faculty Senate members for 1994/95. Only two departments still had to fill a vacancy. It was announced that each of the colleges must caucus before the first meeting of the new Faculty Senate (which is scheduled for 4-28-94) to decide on officers.

Report by the faculty regent (Ray Mendel)

The report was cancelled since Mendel was out of town.

Old Business

The motion below was brought to the floor for a second reading.

The Faculty Senate will create a committee to re-evaluate the process by which instructors and courses are evaluated at Western.

The motion passed.

New Business

Senator Grice raised the question how much it would delay the plan to restructure Western if the entire university and the Faculty Senate can be involved in the discussion for one more semester than the current time schedule allows. President Meredith said that there was a chance that the deadline for input from the departments will be pushed back to 9-15 (instead of 9-2-94).

Senator Lohr raised the question how the plan to restructure Western would affect the public schools, since they get paid based on how many of their students go to college. President Meredith indicated that he will soon meet with the superintendents of the schools.

A lawyer for the College Heights Herald is trying to make the meetings of the President with the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate public. Since no official business is conducted at those meetings, however, the open meeting law does not apply.

Announcements

The Faculty Moral Survey has been mailed out and must be returned by Friday, 4-22-94. The result of the survey will be available at the Faculty Senate meeting on 4-28-94.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:10.

Respectfully submitted by Uta Ziegler