SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
September 5, 1989

The meeting began at 3:30 pm. Members not attending were Sylvia Pulliam, Joyce Rasdall, Jim Wesolowski. Guest was Nancy Baird.

By-Laws, Amendments, And Elections Committee

Replacement elections will need to be held for Dana Boden and David Shull since we are still operating under the old constitution because the By-Laws and Amendments section of the new constitution has not received final approval by the Senate. Saundra Ardrey will replace the seat of John Long for one year. Doris Thayer will need to be replaced also because of leaving the university. B.A.E. will have election agenda items for the Senate meeting.

Elections of Faculty Regent are approaching. Chair will check with Military Science to see if they want to continue on the Senate. For the voting of Regent the Academic Services and Military Science departments can vote, but can not run for office.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Last years work was completed.

COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

No report. Committee is still on until new constitution is passed, then will be off.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

The committee will check and report on resolutions sent to the President.

FACULTY STATUS AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

The committee will conduct the annual faculty salary study. Suggestions were made to this committee to consider: (a) administrative salary increases to be reported as compared to faculty raises, (b) recommend faculty salary increase during the Fall of 1989 before the budget is set. The Chair reported that he is serving on the University Insurance committee since he was not able to recruit a senator in the allowed time. It was stated that insurance will be on an open bid basis.

FISCAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Suggestions to the committee were: (a) check the cost of the Presidential Inauguration, (b) check to see if the athletic budget cap is maintained. Do they stay within their budget? and (c) faculty versus administration travel budgets and expense allowances. A History 100 course survey of 900 students showed only 37 students considered athletics as a factor in selecting WKU.
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Consider conducting a presidential evaluation. Institutional Goals and Planning will be assumed under the PRC committee under the new constitution.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WITH THE PRESIDENT

The chair reported that the President doesn't seem to vary on his stance regarding athletic support. He gets phone calls from athletic supporters when press is given to overemphasis on sports versus academics since they worry about downgrading athletic divisions. For upcoming meetings the chair will raise the issues of faculty positions on the budget committee, athletics, the university mission statement, and department head/chair issue.

NEW BUSINESS

All committees will briefly update for the upcoming Senate meeting to assist new senator's understanding of operations. The chair will ask the president to respond to future Senate resolutions in writing. The chair will report on the executive committee meeting with the President. The Institutional Goals and Planning Committee will present the Report on Purchasing.

OLD BUSINESS

The By-Laws constitutional revisions will be presented for second reading.

Adjournment occurred at 5:30 pm.