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Minutes of the University Senate Meeting

March 7, 1991

1.

The March meeting of the University Senate was held at 4:10 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, 1991, in room 7, Gamble Hall. Robert Kweit presided.

2.

The following members of the Senate were present:

Akers, Thomas
Bostrom, A. Joy
Bostrom, Donald E.
Boyd, Robert
Clark, Alice T.
Collay, Michelle
D'Andraia, Frank
Davis, W. Jeremy
Dawes, Kenneth
Dearden, Bruce
Eberhardt, Bruce
Erjavec, John
Gabrynowicz, Joanne
Gershman, Kathleen
Hamerlik, Gerald
Hanhan, Sara

Harris, Mary
Henricksen, Mogens
Hess, Carla Wulff
Hoffarth, Al
Hunter, Susan
Irwin, Nathan
Jaeger, Audrey
Karner, Frank
King, Lawrence
Knull, Harvey R.
Kuznia, Dave
Kweit, Mary
Kweit, Robert
Lawrence, Gerald
Lawrence, W. Fred
Lee, Randy H.

Lindseth, Paul
Merrill, Lois J.
Nielsen, Monty E.
O'Kelly, Bernard
O'Kelly, Marcia
Owens, Thomas
Parker, Melissa
Poolman, James
Pynn, Ronald E.
Schubert, George W.
Shubert, Elliot
Tomasek, Henry J.
Uherka, David J.
Vickrey, Barry
Williams, John A.
Wyckoff, John W.

The following members of the Senate were absent:

Clifford, Thomas J.
Baltisberger, Richard
Beiswenger, Lyle
Bender, Myron
Bolonchuk, William W.
Caum, Brenda
Deal, John
DeMers, Judy
Effertz, Marie
Elsinga, Lillian
Frein, George H.
Fugleberg, Sara

Gard, Betty
Hanna, Todd
Hartman, Staci
Henry, Gordon
Hill, Richard L.
Jacobsen, Bruce
James, Edwin C.
Johnson, A. William
Langemo, Diane
Lindholm, Lynn
Maakestad, Mark

Markovich, Stephen
McElroy-Edwards, Jackie
McKenzie, James
Nagel, Kate
Naismith, Donald
O'Donnell, Sheryl
Odegard, John
Ramsey, Lynn
Tweton, D. Jerome
Winrich, Lonny
Zellers, Kurt

3.

The Chair made the following announcements: 1) The Executive Committee discussed with Sally Page, Affirmative Action Officer, the need to confront the issue of faculty/student dating. A task force will be created to look at the standards of behavior and recommend policy to be established. It is requested that student government supply two students; the Women's Center, one member; the Dean's Council, one member; and that three volunteers be added from the Senate. 2) The Executive Committee discussed the topic of plagiarism, and Mr. Kweit asks Senate members to submit ideas to him on educating and clarifying to students and faculty what plagiarism is. 3) The Promotions Committee, approved by the Senate, will consist of the following: Elliot Shubert (A&S); Don Cozzetto (BPA); Beverly Uhlenberg (HRD); Virginia Norman (Nsg); and Ronald Engle (FA). 4) The Chair reported on a memo to him from Randy Lee requesting attendance information on the senators who requested that a (+) be placed before their name on the Senate ballot. Eight out of the nine had very good attendance records and the ninth was currently serving in the legislature. Also, a senator elected with a (-) has a very good attendance record. 5) The Chair reported on a very good legislative presentation to the Appropriations Committee by Gene Kemper. 6) The Chair also reported that he attended a meeting called by Chancellor Clifford to discuss the faculty role in system-wide governance. 7) The Chair reported on House Bill 1431 that would place a non-voting member of the Council of College Faculties on the State Board of Higher Education. The Chair asked John Wyckoff, senate representative to the Council, if he would like to report further. Mr. Wyckoff said that Ellen Chaffee met with the Council regarding the proposed representative on the Board and discussed a special summer meeting regarding faculty concerns on governance within the system. The Council has approved a final draft of a constitution which will be presented next week to the faculty of various institutions. If 2/3 of the institutions ratify, it will be considered by the State Board. 8) The Chair requested that if there were any further issues to be submitted to Senate this year, it be done as soon as possible since there is now a backlog and an extra Senate meeting may be necessary. 9) Audrey Jaeger, current student body president, introduced president-elect Jim Poolman. She distributed a handout that is being passed around campus titled "The New McCarthyism" and wanted the Senate to be aware of it and informed that this type of act is negatively affecting the lives of faculty, employees and students on campus.

4.

The Chair asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the January meeting. There being none, he declared the minutes approved as distributed.

5.

A question period was held. George Schubert stated that some Senate Committees need members that have an historical background of University policy and that is especially true of the Academic Policies Committee. Mr. Kweit said that the Executive Committee will be discussing the Academic

Policy Committee at its next meeting and considering a change in number of faculty and length of term on that committee.

6.

The Chair asked if there were any questions or discussion on the annual report of the Summer Sessions Committee. There being none, the report was received and filed.

7.

The Chair asked if there were any questions or discussion on the annual report of the Academic Policy Committee. There being none, the report was received and filed.

8.

The Chair asked if there were any questions or discussion on the annual report of the Administrative Procedures Committee. There being none, the report was received and filed.

9.

The Chair asked if there were any questions or discussion on the annual report of the Student Academic Standards Committee. There being none, the report was received and filed.

10.

The Chair asked if there were any questions or discussion on the annual report of the Admissions Committee. There being none, the report was received and filed.

11.

Gene Mahalko, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, reported to the Senate that the Master of Education, Educational Research and Evaluation program has been terminated.

12.

Gary Towne, reported in the absence of Lonny Winrich, Chair of the Library Committee, on the committee recommendations. The Chair asked for any motions and discussion in support of the recommendations. Mr. Lee moved that the Executive Committee look at adding the responsibility of examination of library resources available to the charge of the Curriculum Committee. The motion was seconded and discussion followed. It was suggested that there be a member of the library staff added to the Curriculum Committee. The motion was voted upon and carried unanimously.

13.

Mr. Lee, Chair of the Honorary Degrees Committee, presented the report of

five recommendations for Honorary Degrees. Mr. Lee moved approval of the report and the candidates pending approval by the President and the State Board of Higher Education. Mr. Hamerlik seconded the motion. The Chair asked if the question should be divided. There being no request for division, the motion was voted upon and carried by a vote of 45 for and one other.

14.

Ms. Clark presented the Policy on Administrative Responsibilities and moved the change in wording in the third paragraph to read:

Each administrator with faculty status continues and maintains 1) his or her responsibilities as a teacher and 2) his or her awareness of the nature of the student body and of the faculty's pedagogic concerns. Each administrator with faculty status should teach or advise as appropriate.

Ms. Hess seconded the motion. There was discussion regarding editorial changes from singular to plural and it was decided that the words, him/her, in the last sentence listing the principles of democratic administration be changed to read, him or her, and in the last sentence of the last paragraph, the word spokesman, be changed to spokesperson. The motion was voted upon and carried by a vote of 45 for, 2 against, and 1 abstaining.

15.

Mr. Vickrey, Chair of the Committee on Committees, presented the nominees to be considered for service on the Self-Study Committee for North Central Accreditation. Mr. Kweit asked for additional nominees from the floor. There being none, the Senate was directed to vote for one nominee in each college and to sign the ballot. Those who were elected by college are: CAS - Tom Wigger; A&S - Graciela Wilborn; BPA - Art Hiltner; Engr - Frank Karner; FA - Kris Koozin; HRD - Beverly Uhlenberg; Law - Barry Vickrey; Med - Thomas Akers; Nsg - LaVonne Russell; and CTL - Steve Harlow.

16.

Charles Robertson, Chair of the Academic Policy Committee, presented the report from the committee. The item on determination of Residence Credit has been referred to the Continuing Education Committee. Mr. Robertson said that the committee would defer to the proposed change in registration proposed by Mary Kweit. Ms. Kweit moved that

After a student has registered, he or she cannot change his or her course without the written consent of the adviser. The last day to drop a course without a grade for all students is on the Friday five weeks after the beginning of classes each semester. (See also Pre-Summer and Summer Session Deadlines on p. iv.) Thereafter, a student may not cancel from individual courses but must carry them to completion.

The last day to drop a class of less than the full semester in length (a mini-class) is a day one-third of the duration of the class.

Mr. Pynn seconded the motion and discussion followed. Mr. Boyd moved to amend the motion to read, "eight weeks after the beginning of classes each semester." Mr. Irwin seconded the motion and there was further discussion. The motion to amend was voted upon and lost by a vote of 37 against, 7 for,

and 1 abstaining.

Further discussion on the main motion followed. Mr. Schubert moved to extend the adjournment time by 15 minutes. Mr. Irwin seconded the motion. The motion was voted upon and carried. Discussion continued on the main motion. That motion was voted upon and lost by a vote of 26 against, 14 for and 1 abstaining.

17.

Mr. Hamerlik moved to adjourn and there being no objection, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Monty Nielsen
Secretary