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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 25, 2001 (Vol. XXXI, No. 6)

The Faculty Senate agenda is posted weekly on the Web, at 1162 Life Science Building, and at 2504 Buzzard Hall.

I. Call to order by Bud Fischer at 2:03 p.m. (Conference Room, 2540 Buzzard Hall)

Present: R. Benedict, J. Best, D. Brandt, G. Canivez, D. Carwell, L. Clay-Mendez, J. Dilworth, B. Fischer, F. Fraker, B. Lawrence, J. Pommier, S. Scher, J. Tidwell, B. Young, A. Zahlan. Guests: P. Collins, P. Guinane, R. Deedrick, D. Fernandez, W. Davis, C. Mitchell.

II. Approval of the minutes of September 18, 2001.

Motion (Benedict/Clay-Mendez) to approve the minutes of September 18, 2001.

Corrections: Scher: I. line 3, I was listed as absent for the September 18 meeting. I would like to be excused as I was absent for a religious observance. **Yes:** Benedict, Brandt, Canivez, Carwell, Clay-Mendez, Dilworth, Fischer, Fraker, Lawrence, Pommier, Tidwell, Young. **Abstain:** Best, Scher, Zahlan. **Passed.**

III. Communications

- A. Email from VPAA B. Lord announcing the formation of a retention task force. -- September 18, 2001
- B. Email from Kathy Simmons reminding the Senate to appoint a member to the TEDE Grants Steering Committee. -- September 21, 2001.
- C. Email B. Irwin stating the reason there are no volunteers coming forward for announced openings is that the minutes are not coming out soon enough. -- September 24, 2001.

Fischer: The minutes are completed on time. The print center is unable to get them printed sooner and it is not their fault. They have a machine that is not working. Tidwell: The minutes are available on the web. We could email notices to everyone when the minutes are available on the web.

IV. Old Business

B. Committee Reports

1. Executive Committee: Fischer: I have received no comments on the change of name of the College of Adult and Continuing Education to the College of Continuing Education, but I have received some good questions. I will ask Dean Hine those questions. He did visit us last semester when he told us they plan some type of reorganization. Tidwell: What is happening with the reorganization? P. Collins (Director of the Center for Continuing Professional Development for the School of Adult and Continuing Education): We are taking a step back to see what we do before reorganizing. We want to change the name because we serve more than just adults. Zahlan: Are you suggesting you are taking over a significant portion of on-campus curriculum? P. Collins: No. We are strictly off-campus. Scher: There are on-campus students taking Continuing Education courses. I would be interested in how many on-campus students are enrolled on Continuing Education courses. Zahlan: Are the courses taken by on-campus students looked at by Council on Academic Affairs (CAA)? P. Collins: All of our courses are approved by the departments and CAA. Tidwell: Is there a current search to fill a position for off-campus programming? It hasn't been publicized. Benedict: Dean Hanner is chair of that committee. Zahlan: I would like the chair of the executive committee to have a copy of the Continuing Education restructuring plan when it is available.

Fischer: I attended the Council on University Planning and Budget (CUPB) meeting yesterday. We looked at the bylaws. They were sent to a lawyer to determine if they met with Board of Trustees bylaws. The new CUPB bylaws put onus on committees and subcommittees. There was some rewording. Tidwell: CUPB won't function unless the subcommittees do their job. Fischer: The language was demanding, not requesting. The bylaws now are requesting with the guarantee that information will flow back and forth. We will get to see the proposed bylaws about October 1 and the voting on them will take place about October 15. Benedict: What was the impetus for the rewrite? Tidwell: The lawyer made the point that CUPB had no power to demand things of anyone.

Fischer: The Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) "Big Picture" meeting was this morning. The presentation was led by President Hencken and Provost/VPAA Lord. We outlined our goals. We showed the positives that we have accomplished, what we plan to do, and what we could do with more funds. We made recommendations to ourselves. I think it was very positive. Pommier: Who organized the presentation? B. Lord: All of the vice presidents contributed. Fischer: It was influenced by what Keith Sanders said last year when he was hear. It was how the information was presented, not what we presented that made it so positive. From several standardized tests, the IBHE believe 55% of high school juniors are ready to be in college. Scher: What criteria was used to judge "ready for college"? Fischer: The problem facing the IBHE is if 50,000 students are ready for

college, where do you put them? It is a big topic for the IBHE. Young: Some universities offer programs for high school students to take college courses. D. Fernandez: Many high schools offer AP courses. R. Deedrick: We had the opportunity to take community college courses when we were in high school. Fischer: Ten thousand of the students said they were not interested in attending college. Young: This might be an opportunity for Continuing Education. Fischer: There will be some changes in high school graduation requirements. For example, three years of math will be required instead of two years. These changes should make the students better prepared for college.

2. Nominations: Canivez: The printed minutes have not reached the faculty yet, so I don't have any volunteers yet. Maybe we can send out a separate communication that we need one volunteer for the Parking Advisory Committee. Fischer: I have had no response of interest in the TEDE Grants Committee or the Presidential Portrait Committee.

Any faculty member interested in serving on the Parking Advisory Committee for a two year term with the first year as alternate and the second year as regular member, please contact Gary Canivez, cfglc@eiu.edu, or Bud Fischer, cfruf@eiu.edu.

3. Elections: Benedict: Gloria Leitschuh from the Department of Counseling and Student Development has volunteered for the one-year appointment to the Council on Graduate Studies (CGS). Dean Hanner has not received a response to the request for a volunteer for the vacancy on the Council on Teacher Education. Barb Kuykendahl will mention it at the College of Sciences Curriculum Committee meeting.

Motion: (Fraker/Scher): Nominate Gloria Leitschuh as one-year replacement for Jake Emmet on CGS. Yes: Benedict, Best, Brandt, Canivez, Carwell, Clay-Mendez, Dilworth, Fischer, Fraker, Lawrence, Pommier, Scher, Tidwell, Young, Zahlan. **Passed.**

4. Student-Faculty Relations: Benedict: We have drafted a letter to accompany the student resolution and our supporting resolution with a friendly amendment that will be sent to department chairs, department personnel committee chairs, and the university personnel committee.

Benedict: Any faculty members working with Registered Student Organizations (RSO's) can ask them to participate in the Charleston Oktoberfest. Scher: How can they participate? Benedict: There are many ways. R. Deedrick: They can reach me by email at cured@eiu.edu or by phone at x5891. There are a lot of different things they can do. Examples are a face painting booth, setting up a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, or a kiss the pig booth. The RSO would have to pay twenty-five dollars to have a booth and whatever costs for their activity that there are. Benedict: SONAR will be there and Student Senate will have a raffle. There are also opportunities to volunteer. R. Deedrick: Permits are needed for raffles or for selling food.

5. Faculty-Staff Relations: Young: No report.

B. AVPAA for Technology Search: Tidwell: The interview schedule for AVPAA for Technology candidates is October 1, 3, and 10. Opportunities for faculty to meet the candidates are at 2:00 and 3:00 p.m.

C. Faculty Senate/UPI sponsored social: Fischer: It is today after our meeting..

E. Student evaluation resolution: Fischer: I verified that we did pass the supporting resolution with a friendly amendment.

D. Discussion of topics to be addressed by Faculty Senate: Fischer: Next week will discuss major issues associated with each of the general topics.

E. TEDE Grants Steering Committee: Fischer: I have had only two people express interest in serving on this committee, Brandt and Pommier.

Motion (Brandt/Canivez): Nominate J. Pommier to serve on the TEDE Grants Steering Committee. Yes: Benedict, Best, Brandt, Canivez, Carwell, Clay-Mendez, Dilworth, Fischer, Fraker, Lawrence, Scher, Tidwell, Young, Zahlan. **Abstain:** Pommier. **Passed.**

F. Other: Lawrence: I attended the panel discussion about the implications of the terrorists attacks. I was pleased with the level of discussion. A good number of students were present in the audience. Clay-Mendez: I received an

invitation to the test of the electronic gradebook.

V. New Business.

A. Resolution commending the design of the Fine Arts project: Young distributed a copy of the proposed resolution. Scher: Where is the model now? Fischer: It is in the union, outside of the 1895 room.

Motion (Young/Dilworth): Adopt the proposed resolution regarding the design of the Fine Arts project.
Yes: Benedict, Best, Brandt, Canivez, Carwell, Clay-Mendez, Dilworth, Fischer, Fraker, Lawrence, Pommier, Tidwell, Young, Zahlan. **Abstain:** Scher. **Passed.**

Resolution commending the design of the Fine Arts project

The Faculty Senate of Eastern Illinois University, having attended the unveiling of the model of the new Doudna Fine Arts Center on September 17, 2001 wishes to express its admiration for the bold, innovative design and hereby thanks the individuals and groups who have worked tirelessly and cooperatively to conceive this project and bring it to fruition. In particular we congratulate the Project Team, especially Cannon Design, executive architects, and Antoine Predock, the design architect. We congratulate also the campus Project Team both from the College of Arts & Humanities and from Facilities Planning and Management for their efforts to renew Eastern's spirit with a signature building to launch the new century.

Zahlan: What is the material on the exterior of the building. Young: It is brick that will be stained to match the surrounding buildings.

B. Other: Fischer: Visit the new bookstore, it really looks good.

VI. Adjourn: Canivez/Dilworth: 2:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Brandt, Recorder