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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
Minutes of February 5, 1969

MEMBERS PRESENT: Smith, Ferguson, Green, Fagan, Tingley, Gover, Spaniol, Rawls, Hieronymus, Lahey, Price, Holley, Crane, White.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bouknight.

Corrections to the minutes of January 29, 1969: On page 2, line 19, remove the word month and substitute Fall Quarter. Page 2, line 25, remove was unanimous and substitute was unanimously in favor.

The minutes of January 29, 1969, were approved as corrected.

REPORTS:

- A. Council on Faculty Research: A description of the Evaluation of Faculty Research Projects. Copies were distributed to all members of the Faculty Senate. Chairman White asked that each member study the report and be prepared to offer an opinion when the report is discussed at the next meeting of the Senate.
- B. Summer Employment Policy Committee: From Dean Ringenberg, chairman of the committee, a report on the recommendations made by the committee to President Doudna for policies covering annual contracts and teaching loads. Members of the Senate were asked by Chairman White to familiarize themselves with the report so that discussion might be held at the next meeting of the Senate.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. From Dr. Faust, faculty co-chairman of the Traffic and Safety Committee, a memorandum stating that the committee had recommended to the appropriate bodies that lights be installed on Garfield in order to improve night visibility on that street. Since no action has been taken on the recommendation, it was felt that additional impetus should be given to implementation. Chairman White was directed by the Senate to ask President Doudna for information about the planned repair or reconstruction of Garfield Street.
- B. From Dr. Steinmetz, a note requesting further consideration of the problems involved in parking on campus, with particular reference to parking on Garfield and in the rear of Coleman Hall.

In the discussion of parking, numerous complaints were made or reported about parking in various places on campus. It was generally felt that parking had been considerably better in the Fall Quarter than at previous times, but that the situation was worse now. It was suggested that some changes had been made in the issuance of red stickers, that enforcement of parking rules was lax, and that some better form of

parking organization might be found. Chairman White will write to Dean Anfinson summarizing the complaints and asking for information on parking.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was a motion on the floor, carried over from the meeting of January 22, 1969. At that time, it was moved (Crane) and seconded (Hieronymus) that Article V, section 3, be adopted with the added statement, "The action of any committee may be rescinded by a 2/3 vote of the Faculty Senate."

Discussion started on ways to extend the statement so that more ideas from the original constitution might be included. It was suggested that the process of rescinding alone was not enough to structure communication and decision-making through the Senate. It was also mentioned that any formal process of review of the actions of all councils and committees of the faculty would be too time-consuming. Members of the Senate would be putting in too much of their time in the reading of notes, minutes, and recommended actions. It was moved (Smith) to table the motion and seconded (Hieronymus). Voting was 11 for tabling with 2 abstentions.

Because there was a possibility that examination of the first two sections of Article V would solve the problem of section 3, a new section was aired. Article V, Section 1, reads, "The Faculty Senate shall establish standing committees clothed with such responsibilities as the Senate has the power to confer. All existing committees, commissions, boards, and councils of the faculty shall, from the adoption of this constitution, be committees of the Faculty Senate and subject to all provisions of this article."

The purpose of Section 1 is to establish the responsibility of the Senate and to create effective communication between the Senate and the groups normally responsible to it. Section 1 should also serve to direct attention to the responsibility of each committee and council and the channels of communication open to each. It was moved (Lahey) and seconded (Price) that Article V, Section 1, be adopted. The vote was unanimously in favor.

Article V, Section 2, is a procedural necessity in the operation of the Senate. Discussion was minimal. It was moved (Price) and seconded (Holley) that Article V, Section 2, be adopted. The vote was 13 affirmative and 0 negative.

At this point it was moved (Smith) and seconded (Hieronymus) that the previous motion be removed from the table. The positive vote was unanimous. It was moved (Hieronymus) and seconded (Green) that the motion be amended and revised to read, "After appropriate review procedures, the Faculty Senate by a 2/3 vote may rescind the action of any of its committees." It was felt that the new wording would add to the strength of the process and allow for recognized procedural steps to take place. The motion was passed by a vote of 13 to 0. The previous motion in its revised form was voted on and passed by a vote of 13 to 0.

Article VI, Meetings, was presented at this time and discussion took place on all sections of the article. Several of the sections seem to refer to meetings of the total faculty while others refer to meetings of the Senate. One section has only passing relation to meetings and seems to belong somewhere else. It was decided to take up each section in order.

It was moved (Smith) to make a separate article, Article VII, out of Sections 5 and 6 of Article VI. The motion was seconded (Green) and the vote was 9 in favor and 4 abstaining. Article VII - General Faculty Meetings - will now read:

Section 1. Biannual meetings (October and March) of the Faculty shall be chaired by the Chairman of the Senate.

Section 2. Special meetings of the faculty are to be called by the Chairman of the Faculty Senate upon presentation of a petition by fifty faculty members.

It was moved (Hieronymus) and seconded (Ferguson) to change the title of Article VI to Faculty Senate Meetings. The motion passed 13 to 0.

Still referring to Article VI, it was moved (Gover) and seconded (Ferguson) to adopt Section 1. The motion passed 13 to 0. Section 1 reads:

The Faculty Senate shall meet at least twice monthly when the University is in session. The date of regular meetings shall be determined by the Senate as a whole.

It was moved (Crane) and seconded (Price) to adopt Section 2. The motion passed 13 to 0. Section 2 reads:

Special meetings may be held at any time at the call of the Chairman or at the written request of any three members of the Senate.

It was moved (Gover) and seconded (Ferguson) to adopt Section 3 as changed. The vote was 12 for and 0 against. Section 3 now reads:

A Quorum of the Senate shall be ten members.

It was moved (Price) and seconded (Crane) to adopt Section 4 as changed. The vote was 11 for and 0 against. Section 4 now reads:

The right to address the Faculty Senate shall be granted to any faculty member upon written request to the Chairman and the subject of his request shall immediately appear on the agenda.

Section 7 was discussed as being slightly out of place in Article VI. It was moved (Gover) and seconded (Rawls) to adopt Section 7, but to make it Section 4 of Article V. The vote was 10 in favor and 1 abstaining.

Section 4 of Article V will now read:

Upon petition by a majority of the members of the faculty any action by the Senate may be rescinded.

It was moved (Price) and seconded (Lahey) that the Senate adopt Section 8 of Article VI, to make it Section 5, and to add "except when the Senate is in executive session." Section 5 of Article VI now reads:

Any member of the faculty may attend any meeting of the Senate, except when the Senate is in executive session.

The approving vote was 11 to 0.

As the Senate approached Article VIII of the Constitution, there was a motion to adjourn. There were no negative votes.

The Faculty Senate adjourned at 9:52 a.m. The next meeting will be on February 12, 1969, in the Heritage Room at 8:00 a.m.

CALENDAR

AGENDA

September	University Calendar	1. Constitution
October	Welfare	2. Major and minor committees and councils
November	Budget	3. Overloads
December	-----	
January	-----	
February	Welfare	
March	Committee Nominations	
April	Elections	
May	Buildings and Grounds	

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Secretary