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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
Minutes of November 10, 1969

MEMBERS PRESENT: Read, Whitlow, Holley, Hieronymus, Keiser, Crane, Palmer, Hattabaugh, Green, McCabe, Kluge, Gover, Tingley, Spanicl.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lahey.

The minutes of November 3, 1969, were approved as published.

REPORTS:

- A. The minutes of the meeting of the Council on University Planning of November 5 were circulated. Discussion centered about the following portion of the minutes: "Vice President Schaefer reviewed the role of the Council on University Planning and stated that the primary function was to screen the long-range plans developed by the respective departments and services of the University under the direction of the Vice Presidents for inclusion in the Master Plan. The Council seeks additional information in many cases in order to make the overall plan as clear and precise as possible with the full-realization that inclusion or exclusion of proposed plans is by no means an evaluation but simply necessary to maintain a high degree of flexibility and communication." It was remarked that, as understood, the original functions of the Council, to review long-range physical growth, seem to have been expanded. There is no doubt, it was said, that the Council occasionally edits the plans it receives. The chairman of the Senate was instructed to request a copy of the ten-year plan as presented to the Board. The chairman was also instructed to request information about what will happen to the office of vice president for administration after its present occupant retires. It was remarked that the ten-year plan will be presented in a week, that Vice President Zeigel is likely to retire in July, and that the Senate would be remiss in its obligation if it did not seek to discover and request to advise how the vacancy is to be filled.
- B. Mr. Whitlow reported that the ad hoc Committee to Consider a Constitution for the Faculty Senate met last Wednesday. It was suggested that the chairman of the Senate request a plan of work from the Committee and discover how it intends to solicit information from the faculty. It was suggested also that the faculty express any opinions on a constitution to the Senate or to the Committee, Mr. Max Ferguson, chairman. A notice to this effect, it was pointed out, should be included in the Faculty Newsletter. It was moved (Crane) and seconded (Kluge) that the constitution prepared by the committee be returned to the Senate for discussion before being sent to the faculty for approval or disapproval. Several persons observed that this procedure was unwise because of the risk of simply repeating debates already held in the great amount of time previously spent on the topic of a constitution and because the Senate should accept the results of the university-wide committee it appointed. The motion failed by a vote of two in favor, seven opposed, and three abstentions. The committee returned to the Senate without action the proposal to divide the duties of the University Personnel Committee by creating a Grievance Committee. The subject was discussed further under New Business.

- C. Miss Hieronymus reported that the Executive Committee of the Senate would meet with the Personnel Committee on the day before final examinations begin to discuss the personnel matter considered at the last meeting as well as the general topic of evaluation. She also reported that the Council of Faculties had responded to the Senate's request (Minutes of September 22, Reports, Item A) to review the matter of faculty participation in the creation of administrative posts. The Council of Faculties will recommend to the Board that it revise its By-Laws (Article VI, 9, c) to allow the faculty to advise the President and the Board on the creation of administrative positions as well as the appointment of administrative officers. Mr. Spaniol then observed that unapproved minutes of the Council will not be circulated, and there will be a one-month delay before they are received.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. From President Doudna, a copy of the statement on the Vietnam Moratorium issued by the President of Indiana State University. The policy adopted there was much like that issued at Eastern.
- B. From President Doudna, copies of two memoranda dealing with the personnel matter discussed at the last meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. It was moved (Kluge) and seconded (Crane) to place on the agenda the matter of the creation of a Grievance Committee separate from the Personnel Committee and that relevant material on the matter from By-Laws proposed several years ago be reproduced and sent to Senate members. The motion passed by a vote of eleven in favor, one opposed, and one abstention.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. It was moved (Keiser) and seconded (Green) that the Senate endorse the position paper prepared by the Executive Director of the Board of Higher Education and so inform the Board. The motion passed by a vote of ten in favor, one against, and two abstentions.
- B. It was moved (Kluge) and seconded (Hattabaugh) that Mr. Greeson's Tentative Proposal for a University Government be placed on the agenda. The motion passed by a vote of ten in favor and three abstentions.
- C. The motion to adopt the plan of Nominations and Election Procedures for All Elected University Councils was removed from the table, discussed with no action taken, and tabled.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p. m. The next scheduled meeting of the Faculty Senate is on Monday, November 17, from noon to 2 p. m. in the Heritage Room of the University Union.

A G E N D A

1. Constitution
2. Evaluation (Visitation)
3. Proposal for Nominations and Elections Procedures
4. Eleven-and-one-half Month Contract (Sabbatical)
5. Selection of President
6. Recognition of Retiring Faculty Members
7. Campus Disorders, Local Policy
8. Scholarships for Children of Deceased Faculty Members
9. Intercultural Council
10. Faculty News Sheet (Secretary)
11. Grievance Committee
12. Proposal for University Government

John H. Keiser
Secretary