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E A S T E R N I L L I N O I S U N I V E R S I T Y

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of January 22, 1974

MEMBERS PRESENT: Maurer, Wiseman, Katsimpalis, Price, Owens, Weidner, Trank, MacLaren, North, Shuff, Doughty, Knott, Thorsen, Keiter

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hackler

STUDENT VISITORS: Craig Sanders, Herb White

The minutes of December 11, 1973 were approved as published.

Maurer reported on an informational meeting on January 15, 1974, of the Faculty Senate. A formal meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

1. Minutes of University Budget Committee were received.
2. Memorandum from Graduate Dean Search Committee.
3. Minutes of the Council on University Planning.
4. Memorandum from W. S. Lowell opposing Secretary to the faculty position.
5. Journal of the Illinois BHE (December).
6. Maurer's report on the January BOG meeting.
7. Report of Senate Executive meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Memorandum from W. Keppler to members of Graduate Dean Search Committee concerning meeting of the Search Committee.
2. Copy of the memorandum from Department of History Personnel Committee to President Fite concerning resolution on merit raises.

After considerable discussion it was agreed that the Faculty Senate meet with the University Personnel Committee at an early date.

3. Maurer reported on the meeting of the BOG of January 10, 1974. An item of major concern was the proposed tuition hike proposed by the BHE. Owens presented a letter that he had drafted. After reading the letter the following motion was made.

A motion was made by North, seconded by Doughty to send the letter to Mr. Ladd with carbon copies to other concerned individuals. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Knott reported on the Improvement of Instruction Committee. All reports are in and will be sent to Vice-President Moody. Knott also reported that Craig Sanders of the Student news planned to run reports in the News on the reports.

A motion was made by Shuff, seconded by MacLaren that commendations be sent to the members of the Committees and copies of the reports be sent to the CAA,

CIO, Vice-President Moody, and President Fite. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Knott is attempting to re-schedule a visit with Dr. Kurpius on Eastern's Campus. The scheduled meeting in December was cancelled due to the big snow of 1973.
3. A brief discussion on the Secretary to the Faculty was held. Following the discussion the following motion was made. A motion was made by Weidner, seconded by Shuff to remove the proposal for a Secretary to the Faculty from the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.
4. The S.I.U. position paper on "No Tuition" was discussed at some length. Following the discussion the following motion was made by Price, seconded by Trank to ask the President to explore with the BOG & Council of Presidents the implementation of a no tuition plan in order to re-institute the American tradition of Free Public Education. Motion passed unanimously.
5. W. Green's proposal on over-staffing. After considerable discussion, it was decided that Shuff and Owens discuss the proposal with Vice-President Moody.
6. Institutional Renewal was discussed briefly. It was reported that W. Cash and B. Wheatley of the Department of Speech were involved with programs of this nature. A motion was made by Knott, seconded by Katsimpalis to invite Cash and Wheatley to discuss with the Senate their institutional renewal activities. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A lengthy discussion was conducted on the recent student faculty evaluation forms and procedures. It was pointed out that the original evaluation was designed to help instructors improve their level of instruction. Next it was used by some department heads and department personnel committees to evaluate instructors. Now it appears that the results are to be published as public information. The Senate originally supported the evaluation process for purposes of improving instruction on a voluntary basis. Now it appears that the students unilaterally have changed both the evaluation form and procedures. The Senate is concerned with the unapproved changes and will be considering a position on Student-Faculty evaluation. The Senate welcomes comments from the Faculty on Student-Faculty evaluation. Contact any member of the Senate.

The meeting adjourned at 1530.

Robert C. Wiseman
Faculty Senate Secretary

AGENDA

1. Budget Committee functions.
2. Saltmarsh's proposal on Institutional Renewal. (Tabled)
3. Student request for increased student membership on CAA. (Tabled)
4. W. Green's proposal on over-staffing.

Next Senate meeting 29 January, 1974, in the Heritage Room, University Union.