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FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of July 3, 1974

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buchanan, Connelly, Doughty, Goodrich, Hackler, Johnson, Knott, MacLaren, North, Price, Rearden, Thorsen, Weidner, Wiseman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Elder

FACULTY VISITOR: President Fite

STUDENT VISITOR: John Ryan

The minutes of June 26 were approved as published.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Memorandum from Vice President Moody instituting the Campus Committee on Improvement of Instruction.
2. Memorandum from Robert Hennings with information on selecting a replacement for an alternate representative to the Council of Faculties.
3. Student Senate Meeting Minutes -- June 21, 1974.

REPORT BY PRESIDENT FITE

President Fite prefaced his remarks to the Senate by pointing out that, while all is not roses on Eastern's campus, there are many positive aspects of our situation which should be noted. The President cited increasingly strong faculty participation in University affairs, a fine physical plant, a number of excellent departments, and good credibility for BOG schools in the legislature. President Fite suggested that the Senate look into means by which Eastern might improve its own self-image. According to the President, many of the aforementioned positive aspects (and faculty help with recruiting) will result in a turn-around in the enrollment picture at Eastern within one to three years.

The importance of the Special Committee on Tenure (to be appointed in the near future) was emphasized by the President.

The last item discussed by President Fite was his appointment of a Financial Exigency Planning Committee. This committee though probably not necessary (Fite's emphasis), will work out procedures and criteria to be used if staff or program

cutbacks are necessary in case of an enrollment or financial emergency. According to President Fite, any procedures worked out would have to be acceptable to both faculty and administration.

OLD BUSINESS

The Senate moved into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

The meeting adjourned at 1525.

Terry M. Weidner
Faculty Senate Secretary