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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of October 8, 1974

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Connelly

FACULTY VISTORS: George Rommel, Robert White

STUDENT VISITOR: John Ryan

The meeting was called to order at 1410.

The minutes of September 24, 1974 were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Student Senate Meeting Minutes---September 19 & 26, 1974.
2. Council on University Budget Minutes--September 18, 1974.
3. Tenure Committee Minutes---September 24, 1974.
4. Report on the Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Higher Education from Robert White.
5. Memo from Frank Stokes concerning procedures for faculty elections.

REPORTS

1. Council of Faculties---George Rommel.

The ballots for the COF poll on collective bargaining will be distributed by campus mail on Friday, October 11. They must be returned by Friday, October 18.

The COF is discussing suggestions for internal distribution of salary monies to be appropriated for 1975-76. These discussions centered on the proportion of the hoped-for 12% raises which would be allocated to across-the-board and merit raises.

Growing out of MacLaren's presentation on tenure to the most recent BOG meeting, the COF passed the resolution reproduced below. This resolution is a working document to be sent to and jointly discussed with the Council of Presidents.

"Before the President presents the university tenure recommendations to the Board, he must submit in writing the total recommended list to the appropriate faculty bodies at least two weeks prior to the Board's meeting.

"When the President's recommendation with regard to tenure differs from that of the campus advisory bodies in the personnel ladder, all efforts should be made to resolve the differences on the local campus.

"If differences are not resolved, and contrasting viewpoints remain, the Board should explore the differences of opinion, considering all pertinent evidence supporting both viewpoints.

"Before the Board votes on a President's tenure list, the chairman of the Faculty Senate (or similar body) should be asked to present the faculty's views."

2. Faculty Advisory Committee to the BHE---Robert White.

White reported that this committee has been functioning since 1961. He reported that the committee's influence, though very minimal during most of its existence, may exert considerable influence on Master Plan IV.

Since White's 3-year term is ending, the Senate will seed a replacement. Faculty with suggestions or interested faculty should contact MacLaren.

3. Faculty elections---Price.

Price presented the results of the runoff election to fill a vacancy on the Univeristy Personnel Committee.

David Maurer-----	169	(elected)
Robert Carey-----	145	
Spoiled-----	2	

It was moved by Doughty, seconded by North, that the Senate certify the results of the special election to fill a vacancy on the UPC. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Faculty Publications Exhibit. A Scholars Reception will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 1974 in the East Reading Room of Booth Library from 2:30 to 4:00 in the afternoon. Faculty are encouraged to attend.
2. Committee on student evaluation of faculty. There was discussion concerning the composition of this student evaluation of faculty committee which was approved at the previous Senate meeting (Minutes, Vol. III, p. 33). Goodrich moved, seconded by Johnson, that the Chairman of the Senate appoint an ad hoc committee to study all aspects of student evaluation of faculty. This committee shall report its findings to the Faculty Senate. The composition of the committee shall be as follows:

Two members of the Faculty Senate's Student-Faculty Relations Committee,
Two members of the group that attended the KSU Conference, and
Two students appointed by the Student Senate President.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. COF poll on collective bargaining. It was moved by Murray, seconded by Rearden, that the Faculty Senate go on record as urging participation of all eligible faculty in the Council of Faculties referendum on collective bargaining. The motion passed unanimously. The Secretary was directed to place this resolution in the Faculty Campus Newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Wiseman asked the Senate to consider the effects of the 5% income tax surcharge on faculty salaries if the surcharge is in effect for fiscal 1975 income, especially if the potential for 13 monthly paychecks in 1975 is realized. This December 1974 paycheck is scheduled to be issued in January, 1975.

2. It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Rearden, that the Faculty Senate go on record as recommending to the University community and appropriate governing bodies that the granting of merit and special merit be held in abeyance until such time as salary monies are sufficient to meet the rise in the cost-of-living. A lively discussion followed. Buchanan asked for a roll call vote. The motion passed with 8 yes, 4 no.

Voting YES---Doughty, Hackler, Johnson, MacLaren, Murray,
North, Price, Rearden

Voting NO----Buchanan, Elder, Goodrich, Weidner

3. There was some discussion concerning the Stokes suggestion that candidates in faculty elections provide the electorate with some sort of platform prior to the election. Stokes pointed out the dilemma facing voters when they are asked to choose among candidates positions on matters of concern to the faculty. The Stokes memorandum was referred to the Senate's Elections Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 1548.

The next Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for October 22, 1974 in the University Union Heritage Room.

Terry M. Weidner
Faculty Senate Secretary