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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of November 19, 1974

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

FACULTY VISITOR: Janet Norberg

STUDENT VISITORS: John Ryan, Joe Natale

The meeting was called to order at 1407.

The minutes of November 12, 1974 were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Tenure Study Committee Minutes---November 12, 1974. Wiseman reported on these minutes. A brief discussion followed.
2. Student Senate Meeting Minutes---November 7, 1974.
3. Copy of a letter from Ronald A. Wilson, President, Thomas Hall, concerning his support of Dean Kluge. A copy of a Residence Hall Association resolution supporting Dean Kluge was attached.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The ad hoc committee to study student evaluation of faculty. MacLaren reported that further conversations with students indicated their willingness to participate on this committee.
2. BOG meeting, November 21, 1974. The agenda for the meeting includes a recommendation to the Board that they adopt a change in policy regarding procedures for awarding tenure. This recommendation is a direct result of the presentation to the Board by the Faculty Senate at Eastern.
3. Committee on Travel Funds. Chairman MacLaren, for the Executive Committee, recommended that the following committee be appointed to do some fact-finding for the Senate concerning the distribution of travel funds at Eastern.

Mike Goodrich, Chairman
Ewen Bryden
Tom Floyd
Jay Knott

It was moved by Buchanan, seconded by Murray, that the Senate approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee would be happy to receive faculty concerns or comments concerning this item.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Buchanan brought up the subject of open faculty files and suggested that the Executive Committee discuss this item with President Fite at its next meeting with him. A wide-range discussion, which included concern about student files, followed. Knott informed the Senate that the University has 45 days to draw up guidelines for student access to their own files. It was his opinion that no letters of recommendation written before November 19, 1974 would be available to students.

The discussion ended with a motion by Johnson, seconded by Doughty, that the Faculty Senate look into University policy on personnel files. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1451.

The next Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for December 3, 1974 in the University Union Heritage Room.

Terry M. Weidner
Faculty Senate Secretary