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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of October 14, 1975

MEMBERS PRESENT: Abell, Buchanan, Connelly, Dolton, Goodrich, Hackler, Murray, Nordin, North, Pierson, Price, Rearden, Rooke, Weidner, Wood

STUDENT VISITORS: L. Miller

The meeting was called to order at 1405.

The minutes of October 7, 1975 were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Memo from W. Lazenby, Chairman, CGS, requesting Senate action on a recommendation from the Student Senate which requests that a student alternate system for University Councils (CAA, CGS, COTE) be adopted.
2. Memo from D. Morlan, Chairman, Speech-Communications, informing the Senate that his department will use a departmental student evaluation form.
3. Minutes of the Intercollegiate Athletic Board---October 7, 1975.
4. Copy of a letter to U. S. Representative Robert Michael, from the Annuitants' Association of the State Universities Retirement System of Illinois, requesting support of H. R. 9155.
5. Memo from G. Rommel with a request that the Senate write in support of H. R. 9155, a bill designed to assure adequate funding of public pension systems.
6. Memo from President Fite to Chairman Weidner suggesting that the Senate Executive Committee, the UPC, and a committee of Deans study the matter of performance evaluation together.
7. Memo from Vice President Moody in regard to his position on extension teaching.
8. Student Senate meeting minutes---October 2, 1975.

REPORT

1. Executive Committee---Weidner

The Executive Committee met with the UPC, President Fite, and Dr. Moody, on October 13, 1975.

The President stated that he has established a three-man committee of deans to consider the matter of faculty evaluation. It was agreed that

this group should meet with the six-man group of teaching faculty made up of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and the UPC already meeting to discuss faculty evaluation. The President is appointing Deans Lauda, Ringenberg, and Taber to serve on this committee.

The next topic taken up was the matter of the Faculty Senate's "Recommendation for Distribution of Salary Funds for Fiscal Year 1977." An active exchange of views among all present took place.

The President next discussed his thought that the University might set up a "Development Program" to investigate more fully the possibility of raising funds from industry and individuals. Start-up costs of such a Program were discussed along with recognition of the benefits that might result. Further discussion of this suggestion will take place at a later meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Approvals for Curriculum Changes---Weidner

Copies of the suggested changes in "Approvals for Curriculum Changes" suggested by Dr. Moody have been sent to the CAA, CGS, and COTE, for consideration by those bodies. Action by the Senate was postponed until a response from the committees affected is received.

2. Master Plan - Phase IV.

The statement in Master Plan - Phase IV that tuition should be increased to at least 1/3 the cost of instruction was discussed at some length. It was moved (Connelly) and seconded (Rearden) that the Senate go on record as opposing any increase in tuition in the state universities. Motion carried (14 - 1).

Other aspects of the Master Plan - Phase IV will be discussed at a later meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Student alternates for the CAA, CGS, and COTE.

The Student Senate has requested that an alternate for each student member be permitted to attend and vote in the absence of the regular member. It was pointed out that, at present, faculty members of these councils are not replaced by their alternates on a meeting by meeting basis.

The Senate took no action on this request at this time pending response from the affected committees.

2. House Bill 9155.

House Bill 9155, subtitled "Public Service Employees Retirement Income Security Act of 1975", is designed to assure adequate funding of public

pension systems. It was the consensus of the Senate that the Chairman should be instructed to write Illinois Representatives Shipley, Simon, and Hall in support of H. R. 9155. Representative Erlenborn is a co-sponsor of the bill, and should be thanked for his action.

Individual members of the Faculty can help by writing to their congressman:

The Honorable George Shipley
The House of Representatives
House Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

The Senate moved to Executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

The meeting adjourned at 1517.

The next Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for October 21, 1975 at 1400 in the University Union Martinsville Room.

Michael Goodrich
Faculty Senate Secretary