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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of January 20, 1976

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Connelly

FACULTY VISITORS: J. Laible, W. Owens

STUDENT VISITORS: M. Vise, L. Willis

The meeting was called to order at 1405.

The minutes of December 2, 1975 were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Minutes of the Council on University Planning---December 1, 1975.
2. Minutes of the Student Senate---November 20, December 4, and December 11, 1975.
3. Minutes of the Council of Faculties---November 30- December 1, 1975 and January 4-5, 1976.
4. Minutes of the Intercollegiate Athletic Board---December 2, 1975.
5. Correspondence between President Fite and Chairman Weidner regarding President Fite's visit with the Senate on January 27, 1976.
6. Two memos to the Senate from D. E. Walters, Executive Officer, BOG, regarding Master Plan-Phase IV, and the dates for hearings for the Master Plan.
7. Memo from L. Bryant Keeling, Chairman, WIU Faculty Senate, with a request that the EIU Faculty Senate give serious consideration to requesting that the BOG give faculty a voice in planning the preliminary steps for collective bargaining.
8. Memo from Vice President Moody stating that he cannot comply with the Senate's request to rescind a statement on classroom visitation and tenure recommendations.
9. Memo from Vice President Moody in response to the December 4, 1975 letter from Chairman Weidner (see Appendix A), in which the Senate rejected an increase in teaching loads.

Chairman Weidner will respond more fully to Dr. Moody, suggesting some of the recommendations of the Program Review Committee that might be implemented as a means of generating funds to meet increased enrollment.

10. Memo from Vice President Moody concerning means of meeting increased Fall, 1976 enrollment without an increase in faculty.
11. Minutes of the November 20, 1975 BOG meeting.
Agenda for the January 22, 1976 BOG meeting.
Executive Officer's Report for the January 22, 1976 BOG meeting.
EIU Report for the January 22, 1976 BOG meeting.

REPORTS

1. Faculty Advisory Committee to the BHE---J. Laible

Dr. Laible was present to discuss the meeting of the Faculty Advisory Committee held on January 9, 1976 at the University of Illinois Medical School in Chicago. Discussion at that meeting centered around Master Plan-Phase IV and the budget for the academic year 1976-77. The draft of Master Plan-Phase IV, tentatively approved at the December 2, 1975 board meeting, is now being discussed at hearings about the state, the last of which will be held on January 21, 1976 at Carbondale. Final approval for the Master Plan is expected at the February or March meeting of the BHE. The Master Plan, among other things, still includes the increase in tuition opposed by the EIU Faculty Senate (see Minutes, October 14, 1975) and other student and faculty groups in Illinois. The Faculty Advisory Committee intends to continue to work for the removal of the tuition increase from the Master Plan.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Requests of President Fite and Vice President Moody that the Senate make recommendations regarding methods of meeting an increase in enrollment without an increase in teaching faculty.

Lengthy informal discussion of this matter developed, and a number of alternatives were suggested. An ad hoc committee has been appointed by President Fite to discuss this and related matters of which Chairman Weidner is a member. He will communicate the progress of this committee to the Senate for reaction at future meetings.

2. Memorandum from Chairman Weidner to Vice President Moody regarding methods for meeting the projected Fall 1976 enrollment.

It was moved (Nordin) and seconded (Murray) that the December 4, 1975 memo from Weidner to Vice President Moody be published (see Appendix A).

NEW BUSINESS

1. Letter from L. Bryant Keeling, Chairman, WIU Faculty Senate, asking that the EIU Faculty Senate request that the BOG give faculty a voice in planning collective bargaining.

It was moved (Murray) and seconded (Abell) that the EIU Faculty Senate endorse the following resolution approved by the WIU Senate:

We strongly urge the Board of Governors to grant the faculties of the Board of Governors Universities meaningful participation through regular faculty agencies (such as the Council of Faculties and Faculty Senates) in the decision making processes for the implementation of collective bargaining.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Weidner will transmit this resolution to the executive officer of the BOG.

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

The meeting adjourned at 1550.

The next Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for January 27, 1976 at 1400 in the University Union Martinsville Room.

Michael Goodrich
Faculty Senate Secretary

APPENDIX A

TO: Vice President Moody

FROM: Terry M. Weidner, Chairman
Faculty Senate

DATE: December 4, 1975

The Faculty Senate has discussed your 3 November, 1975 memo concerning methods for meeting the projected Fall '76 enrollment. The Senate, without dissent, rejects any further increase in teaching loads as an acceptable method of meeting increased enrollment. This suggested increase in load nurtures the widespread feeling among the faculty that the entire burden of increased enrollment and concomitant decrease in financial support is being borne by the teaching staff.

As one alternative, the Faculty Senate requests that the Report of the Program Review Committee be dusted off and that many of its still viable recommendations be implemented as a means of generating the money necessary to increase teaching staff in overloaded departments.

At the request of President Fite, the Senate will explore other means of meeting this enrollment and financial crisis.

CC: President Fite