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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of May 4, 1976

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

MEMBER ABSENT: Hackler

FACULTY VISITOR: D. Maurer

STUDENT VISITOR: L. Miller

The meeting was called to order at 1405.

The minutes of April 27, 1976 were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Minutes of the Intercollegiate Athletic Board---April 26, 1976.
2. Memo from Randy Kob, Student V.P., indicating the nine core items suggested for use in the Purdue Cafeteria System for student evaluation of faculty.
3. Copy of a memorandum from the faculty of the Chemistry Department to President Fite, with comments on the President's March 19, 1976 memorandum on distribution of Eastern's faculty by rank and tenure status.
4. Letter from Donald E. Walters, Executive Officer of the BOG, responding to some of the comments and criticisms of the Regulations for Collective Bargaining.

REPORTS

1. Faculty Advisory Committee---J. Laible

The Faculty Advisory Committee met at the University of Chicago on April 30, 1976. Among other things, the Committee recommended that a faculty member be added to the Board of Higher Education.

Mr. McGill, representing the Board, stated that development of new programs should be limited in view of the long-range enrollment projections for higher education.

It was noted at the meeting that the Citizens' Advisory Committee to the BHE criticized the Governor and the General Assembly for their stringent budget for higher education. The final sentence of their report reads, "We believe higher education must be funded at a level adequate to maintain and build academic excellence, meet the needs imposed by enrollment growth, and cope with inflation pressures."

## 2. Council of Faculties---Rommel

Rommel reported on the business discussed at the COF meeting of 2-3 May. At that meeting, Dr. Walters reported to the COF on the prospects for the 1976-77 budget, presenting his views on the attitude of legislative leaders in Springfield.

There was discussion at the meeting on procedures for the Presidential Search Committees, both the Board committee, and the EIU campus committee being chosen at this time. An early meeting of these committees is anticipated.

## 3. Student-Faculty Relations Committee---Rearden

Rearden reported on results of a questionnaire sent to department chairmen and other administrators regarding the grade appeal system adopted in the spring of 1975. Discussion of this matter continues within the committee.

## 4. Elections Committee---Price

Price reported that preparations for the elections for the University Presidential Search Committee to be held on May 5 and May 10 were complete.

## 5. Nominations Committee---Buchanan

Buchanan reported that the Nominations Committee proposes the following additional appointments to Faculty committees:

Insurance Committee - Gary Gueldner (Acct.) - Alt.

Library Advisory Committee -

School of Business - Marge Lanman (Bus. Ed.) - 1977

Jim Motley (Acct.) - Alt.

For. Lang., Sp. Comm.- Don Sundheim (For. Lang.) - 1978

and Sp. Path. Floyd Merritt (Sp. Comm.) - Alt.

It was moved (North) and seconded (Abell) that the Faculty Senate approve the above nominations. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

## 1. The student request regarding personnel committees.

Weidner reported on a discussion between the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and President Fite on the matter of the proposed student membership on Departmental Personnel Committees and the University Personnel Committee. It was pointed out that the University Personnel Policies and Procedures (issued March 30, 1974), state that members of Departmental Personnel Committees shall be full-time continuing members of the department. It further states that the University Personnel Committee is a committee of the faculty.

It was agreed by consensus that the Chairman should write to Bill Scaggs, indicating that, for the above reasons, the Faculty Senate cannot recommend

addition of student members to any personnel committees.

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

The meeting adjourned at 1555.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be on call of the Chairman.

Michael Goodrich  
Faculty Senate Secretary