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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of June 13, 1978

MEMBERS PRESENT: Abell, Bartling, Helwig, Johnson, Pierson, Rearden, Rang, Rooke, Shuff, Smith, Williams, Wood

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dolton, Hamand

STUDENT VISITORS: L. Fraembs

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. in the Martinsville Room.

The minutes of May 2, 1978 were approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. President Marvin - Summer Rotation - May 31, 1978
2. William H. Ziegel - Employees Advisory Committee to Retirement Board - May 5, 1978
3. Robert Hennings - Textbook Moratorium - May 12, 1978
4. A. Murad - Textbook Moratorium - May 12, 1978

REPORTS

1. Shuff - The Faculty Senate no longer has the account it used to provide for the many activities (Retirement Tea, Distinguished Faculty Awards, etc.) not included in appropriated funds.

During the Summer session, Senate meetings will be held at 2:30 p.m. in the Martinsville Room.

2. Smith, Abell - Constitutional Review Committee - A draft of the proposed Constitution and Bylaws was presented to the Senate. A faculty vote will be held during Fall semester, 1978. Considerable discussion centered upon the definitions of faculty and electorate. Abell proposed to supplement the definition with a list of electorate positions.
3. Rearden - Faculty Renewal - The chairperson of the committee presented the final report which included recommendations and comments concerning problems attendant on shifting enrollment patterns and individual renewal. Some priorities were presented by the committee but not necessarily in order of importance are:

PRIORITIES: (Not necessarily in order of importance)

1. Appointment of a Faculty Development Officer and a Faculty Advisory Committee.
2. Gathering of information to make a realistic projection of future enrollment patterns.
3. Matching of enrollment patterns against data obtained about current staff to determine where future staffing problems are likely to arise.
4. Establishment of the Faculty Development Office as a clearing-house for centralizing information on various renewal programs.
5. Development of funding sources and a priority system for using these funds.
6. Gathering of information through survey of faculty concerning their interests, needs, willingness to participate, etc.
7. Offering resources of the Office to any faculty members interested in individual development plans.

Faculty who make an effort to become involved in renewal methods should be recognized through temporary teaching load reductions, travel grants, travel funds to attend professional conferences, summer grants, sabbatical leaves, etc.

Rearden moved that the report be forwarded to President Marvin. Abell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Carey moved, Rooke seconded a motion to commend Phyllis Rearden and her committee for the time and effort put into their report. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Laible - FAC/IBHE Representative sent the following report:

The FAC met at Eastern on April 28 with the morning session spent on reports and subcommittee work sessions. It is likely that the final versions of our replies to the questions raised by Governor Thompson will be ready in June! Copies will be forwarded to the Senate.

Dr. William Kelley, Associate Director for Academic Affairs, IBHE staff joined us for the afternoon session. The discussion centered around Adult/Continuing Education. In particular, we talked about a recent study on part-time students in which information such as the kinds of schools students prefer, the kinds of courses that are most in demand, and how far students will travel for course-work were probed. There was general discussion on the problem of overlap in course offerings among schools in the same geographical region, the "turf issue." Feelings ran pretty high on the topic, especially among some community college faculty. No real solutions emerged. Dr. Kelley spoke of an essentially untapped market - the lower income, perhaps unemployed persons. To handle such students would require considerable attitude and curriculum adjustment for existing schools.

5. Abell moved, Williams seconded the motion to send a resolution to President Marvin seeking funds. The resolution reads:

Whereas, the Faculty Senate has used its special fund to support the Distinguished Faculty Awards, the Retirement Tea, and other

activities which cannot be supported out of appropriated funds, it is requested that the President provide funds for the continuation of those activities in an amount of not less than \$2,000 per year.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Williams moved, Rooke seconded a motion to go into Executive Session at 11:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

The next Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 27, 1978, in the Martinsville Room at 2:30 p.m.

Carol Helwig
Faculty Senate Secretary