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Eastern Illinois University

FACULTY SENATE

March 5, 1985

PRESENT: Ozier, Stoughton, Oseguera, Nordin, Sutton, Searle, Stevens, Perkins Smith, Miller, Heumann, Reed, Morice, Norberg.

ABSENT: Coon

VISITORS: Joni Taylor (Eastern News)

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. From Judith Anderson (in the Faculty Newsletter), announcement of availability of nomination materials for the Bryn Mawr Summer Institute for Women in Higher Education.
2. From A. Oseguera, Feb. 28, to VPAA Schick, expressing willingness to help Hispanic students with English language skills.
3. From T. Walker, concerning removal of a faculty member from the Apportionment Board for non-attendance.
4. From Dean Moore (phone), request for Senate help on increasing Hispanic enrollment.
5. From J. Lenihan (phone), expression of concern about inability of non-teaching personnel to serve on some committees.
6. From L. Coon, Mar. 5, recommending that the committee to select the Eastern women to attend the 1985 (and all future) administrative training sessions at Bryn Mawr and elsewhere be composed of those women who are sitting members of the CAA and Faculty Senate in April of the year of selection.
7. Minutes from COTE, Feb. 26, CAA, Feb. 28

Heumann moved, seconded by Oseguera, that the minutes of February 26 be approved as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRECTIONS: page 46, item 1e should be omitted and replaced by: Dr. Stevens noted that currently in the English Department one instructor teaches one section of English 1001 for foreign students.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Evaluation of Deans: Norberg moved, seconded by Smith, that the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate pursue the matter of the evaluation of Deans with VPAA Schick. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Proposed Administrative Changes: The draft of the letter concerning Senate response to VPAA Schick's proposed administrative changes was discussed and revised. Smith moved, seconded by Nordin, to approve the draft. Perkins moved, seconded by Miller, to table the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The draft of the letter follows:
The Faculty Senate approves the following concerning administrative changes proposed by Vice President Schick:
 1. While the organization of all adult and continuing education operations under one administrative head could be beneficial, it is important that the Career Occupations program (which we believe should/will survive with modifica-

tions) and personnel have a proper academic "homeland." The adult education aspect of the program--credit for work experience--could properly answer to the new administrative head. Career occupations, unlike the BOG program, is a major. Majors should be under academic units. Also, the Senate strongly supports the right of faculty members to have tenure in departments and to be a part of the bargaining unit. We believe we truly represent all the faculty in this stand.

2. The Senate recommends that the Office of Faculty Development continue under Academic Development for the following reasons: If it were placed under the Dean of the Graduate School and Research, as proposed, it would exist mainly as a discrete function, removed from the Dean's central concern. Faculty Development involves faculty at all levels...not just at the graduate level and does not necessarily involve research.

3. The Senate endorses research being returned to and linked with the Graduate School. Putting research under the Dean of the Graduate School would have a positive effect upon the way research is perceived on campus. Such a relationship would at least hint that those who would teach graduate students had better be involved in the advancement of knowledge in their disciplines.

4. If the Council on Graduate Studies (currently considering reorganization) should require that one member of the Council on Faculty Research be included, a further positive step would be taken to strengthen research on campus. This is in accord with the recommendations of the final NCA report.

5. While we can see good reasons for most of the changes, we would have generally been more favorably disposed had the proposal provided a rationale for each of the changes. We are particularly interested in how it relates to the mission and goals of the University and to the guidelines set up in the Board of Governors' Five Year Plan.

3. Retirement Tea: Alice Stoughton reported that the Faculty Senate will sponsor the Retirement Tea on Tuesday, April 30 from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the 1895 room MLK.

4. Elections/ Nominations: Scott Smith reported that there are still vacancies on the ballots for most of the university committees and councils. There is room for three more nominees on Faculty Senate ballots, one more on the CAA ballot, three more on the COTE, seven more on the UPC and two for the COF. Interested persons should contact Scott Smith before March 12.

Questions for Nominees to the CAA:

1. What issues--considered by CAA in recent years, current or antipated--especially contribute to your desire to serve on the council?

2. What factors do you think CAA should consider in reviewing the current policies on academic probation, dismissal and reinstatement?

5. Senate Role: Hal Nordin mentioned that for the sake of continuity on the Faculty Senate the Vice Chair ought to be a second year Senate member who would in the third year become Chair of the Senate. The issue was debated at length.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be Tuesday, March 12, at 2:00 p.m. in the Martinsville Room.

Secretary,

Bill Searle