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The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Foster at 2:00 p.m. in the Martinsville Room of the Martin Luther King Student Union.

Present: Luis Clay Mendez, Gary Foster, Michael Loudon, John North, Robert Barford, Anthony Schaeffer, Ron Sutliff, David Carpenter, Pat Fewell, Ed Marlow, Nancy McMillan, Glenn Hild, Laurent Gosselin

Absent: Linda Leal, Evelyn Goodrick

Visitors: President Rives; Lori Tharp, Sociology Intern; Mike Harris, Eastern News

I. Minutes of the October 4th meeting were approved unanimously. (North/McMillan)

II. Communications:

- A. Received a request from Betty Dodson (Communications Disorders) to be replaced on the Library Advisory Board.
- B. Received from President Rives, a memorandum regarding the implementation process for the Undergraduate Study chapter on Language, General Education, the Major, and Extending the Campus.
- C. Received from the Association of American Publishers, a form letter (with position papers) asking Faculty Senate to address the sale of complimentary text copies by professors.
- D. Received a phone response for Terry Weidner, CAA noting that correspondence was sent to Faculty Senate on September 29th regarding minutes and note that CAA meetings were open meetings.
- E. Received a carbon copy of a letter from President Rives to Dr. Layzell, concerning the BOG standardized learning outcomes.

III. Old Business:

- A. No committee reports.
- B. Chair Foster circulated a copy of a letter sent to Dr. Pringle on behalf of the Faculty Senate regarding the standardized learning outcomes.

IV. New Business:

- A. President Rives addressed the group regarding the implementation process for E.I.U. Undergraduate Study Chapter on Faculty Priorities, Classroom Creativity, and Learning Resources. President Rives requested that the Faculty Senate review the entire chapter and make such observations as it considers appropriate. A memorandum was distributed to the Faculty Senate members regarding this request for review. The following was noted by the President in his view of the document with the Senate: "I am, therefore, referring the whole chapter (Faculty Priorities, Classroom Creativity, and Learning Resources) to the Faculty Senate for initial consideration with the request that a written report on the result of this deliberation be submitted to the President by the end of the current Fall Semester of 1988. Four observations: (1) it would be particularly helpful for the Faculty Senate to make observations regarding the relative priority of recommendations made in the chapter (what items the Senate considers most important); (2) as usual, any Senate reactions concerning collective bargaining matters (wages, hours, and conditions of employment) should be submitted by the Senate directly to the E.I.U. Chapter President of the UPI; (3) it would be useful for the Faculty Senate to invite interested faculty members who are not members of the Senate to have an opportunity to be heard in the process of Senate deliberation--the Senate may wish to consider an open invitation to faculty to attend Senate sessions scheduled on this matter; and (4) I intend to distribute the Senate's written report to all individuals and groups assigned further specific implementation responsibilities as noted in this memorandum. We are using a similar format with the Student Senate for initial consideration of the chapter on the 'Undergraduate Experience Outside the Classroom.'"

President Rives noted that we are beginning to get results from the

enrollment situations from other institutions in the state. Rives summarized from an article for The State Journal Register, a Springfield newspaper, where fall enrollment figures were presented, noting that the enrollment increase at this institution, this semester, is at least equal to, or perhaps greater than the total enrollment increase of public universities in the state of Illinois. Our enrollment increase this year was 387 students, in comparison: Carbondale-up 67, Western-up 75, Sangamon State-up 35, U of I/ Chicago-down 1115, U of I/Urbana-down 300, Northeastern Il. University-down 793, Illinois State University-down 650, and Northern Illinois University-down 600. Rives further noted that some of the decreases were purposeful downsizing of institutions.

The President noted that the governor has released the funds for the Coleman Hall Annex. Plans are currently being made for a ground-breaking ceremony for that building.

A suggestion was made to the President that information be distributed to the university community regarding what individuals or groups are considering portions of the E.I.U. Undergraduate Study.

- B. Discussion of the Study of Undergraduate Education, recommendation #10 (pp. 8-9) of Recruitment and recommendation #12 (p.19) of Retention was initiated. The current recruitment and retention activities of minorities at E.I.U. were discussed. Schaeffer noted that there are at least three different thrusts to the minority recruitment and retention at E.I.U. and coordination of these units needs to be addressed. Loudon expressed that there is a need for central coordination for and between recruitment and retention. Currently, there is no central voice that can argue for a priority grant to address the financial needs of an effective retention program from outside sources. Barford expressed concern adding an additional position to the administrative level to the university. After further discussion, a motion was made that the Faculty Senate endorse recommendation #10 (pp.8-9) of Recruitment and recommendation #12 (p.19) of Retention of the Study of Undergraduate Education. (Loudon/Schaeffer) Motion carried.
- C. Motion was unanimously approved that Richard Jacques, Communications Disorders, replace Betty Dodson on the Library Advisory Board. (Carpenter/Clay)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. Next meeting, 2:00 p.m., October 28 in the Martinsville Room.

Respectfully Submitted,
Patricia J. Fewell