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#### IV. New Business:

- A. Dr. Robert Kindrick joined the Faculty Senate for its meeting. Dr. Kindrick did stress two points:
1. The Study of Undergraduate report is in the process of trying to bring to closure its deliberation. The Council on Academic Affairs has brought to closure its deliberation on admission requirements and is now discussing general education requirements. It is hoped that by the end of March some kind of structure for the general education requirements will be in place. For internal purposes only, if not to be sent to the BOG, the VPAA and President will be formulating a document which will contain every recommendation and the response to every recommendation.
  2. The search for the Vice President for Development is progressing. It appears likely that we will have two candidates coming to the campus the first week in March. A schedule will be firmed up and published to allow for an open forum for everyone who might be interested in meeting the candidates. That it is important to have faculty and student input upon this position.
  3. Questions were addressed to Dr. Kindrick regarding late notification of the positions that were approved for hiring. There is a two cycle staffing plan, the early cycle is completed by September and the second cycle or phase is the complete staffing plan and this year budgets were a little late in coming out. There is a possibility of asking the appropriate Dean and the VPAA through the Dean for early authorization of replacement.
  4. As a response to the SUE report, Dr. Kindrick was asked with the current budget constraints what he would like to see coming from the SUE report. The VPAA stated he did not want to respond on general education because a council is deliberating on that topic. Two hopes of the study have been realized, one of them being downsizing of the university. That the university has been stretched to the point with student body that we have to now be concerned about the quality education programs. The second is progress on admission standards in tying class rank and ACT score for admission to the university, giving students good hope for success that are admitted to the university. Dr. Kindrick further expanded upon the two points; one area being faculty research monies hopefully being made available with the downsizing. EIU is currently 69% underfunded in the area of departmental research when compared to our peers.
  5. Discussion did occur regarding the 120 hour limit and the possibility of raising the limit of hours.
- B. The State of the University address by President Rives is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, at 3:00 p.m. in Coleman Hall 120. Dr. Rives was scheduled to meet with Faculty Senate at 14th meeting, but will forego the meeting and will address any questions of him at a later date.
- C. Distinguished Faculty Award
1. Dr. Foster reported on a meeting with Dan Thor nburgh and the Distinguished Faculty Award. The Foundation would be willing to match up to \$7500.00 of matching funds for a fund raising campaign targeted for this award. After some discussion motion was made: That Faculty Senate ask the University Foundation to initiate a drive with the goal being the better finding of the distinguished faculty award. (Schaeffer/Barford) motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m. The next Senate meeting will be February 21, 1989, 2:00 p.m., in the Martinsville Room.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Patricia J. Fewell