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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES FOR MARCH 30, 1999 (Vol. xxviii, No. 24)

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- I. **Call to order by James Tidwell at 2:03 p.m. (Conference Room, Booth Library)**
Present: J. Allison, J. Best, J. Coons, G. Foster, R. Gholson, B. Irwin, G. Lockart, N. Marlow, J. Tidwell, M. Toosi, L. Walker. Guests: T. Abebe, M. McMahon, S. Skala.
- II. **Approval of the minutes of March 23, 1999**
Motion (Gholson/Toosi) to approve the minutes of March 23, 1999.
Yes: Coons, Foster, Gholson, Irwin, Lockart, Marlow, Tidwell, Toosi. Abstentions: Allison, Best.
- III. **Communications**
 - A. Minutes of Council on Academic Affairs—March 11, 1999
 - B. Minutes of Council on Teacher Education—February 23, 1999, and March 9, 1999
 - C. Minutes of Council on Graduate Studies—March 2, 1999
 - D. Minutes of Council on University Planning and Budget—February 19, 1999
 - E. Memo from Dean Frank Hohengarten regarding Senate appointments to Enrollment Management Advisory Committee and Textbook Rental Advisory Committee—March 23, 1999
 - F. Notes from Environmental health and Safety Committee—February 22, 1999
 - G. Memo from Jon Laible regarding EIU Foundation actions regarding Distinguished Faculty Award—March 23, 1999
 - H. Copy of letter from Chair Tidwell to President Surles regarding "charge backs" motion—March 29, 1999
- IV. **Old Business**
 - A. **Committee Reports**
 1. Nominations Committee. The call for nominations is attached to these minutes.
 2. Elections Committee. The results of the faculty elections are attached to the minutes.
Motion (Irwin/Foster) to accept the election results.
Yes: Allison, Best, Coons, Foster, Gholson, Irwin, Lockart, Marlow, Toosi. Abstentions: Tidwell.
Irwin expressed her thanks to Mickey Carroll of Testing Services; she also cautioned that people who think that they are members of the graduate faculty should check with the Graduate School. The fourteen invalid ballots for CGS were those who did not follow the directions and voted in all of the colleges. Including them in the count would not have changed the election results. Because of the large number of write-in votes, the Elections Committee will convene to determine whether there should be parameters on write-in elections. It was also noted that alternates must have 75% of the votes received by the lowest winning contender.
 3. Ad Hoc Drafting Committee. An outline for questions for a faculty survey was distributed. Senators should forward feedback on these items to the committee.
 4. Screening Committee for Director of Financial Aid. The committee is finishing their reference checks and will meet April 8 to schedule interviews.
 5. The search for the Campus Recreation Director position has been halted because there is no money for the position.
 6. Council on University Planning and Budget. The committee met Friday. Senators were asked to rank the Major Capital and Capital Renewal projects and return their rankings to Chair Tidwell.
 7. IBHE Faculty Advisory Committee. The Committee met Friday, March 26, at Olive-Harvey College. The discussion topic was the budget process. The new process is driven by the Illinois Commitment and has five major changes from the previous method: (1) a budget context; (2) campus "big picture" meetings; (3) closer link between budget recommendations and state goals; (4) budgeting tied to performance measures; and (5) results reports.
 - B. Spring Forum. The Spring Forum is scheduled for Tuesday, April 13, 1999, from 2-4 p.m. in the Buzzard Auditorium. A flier is attached to the minutes. Notices will be coming out in the Newsletter and Newsbits.

Faculty wishing to speak during the forum should contact James Tidwell no later than Monday, April 5, at 5:00 p.m. They should also indicate the area(s) they wish to address in their comments.

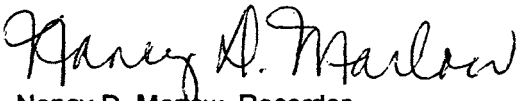
 - C. Distinguished Faculty Award. Notices will be coming out in the Newsletter and Newsbits.
 - D. Reception for Retired Faculty. The reception will be held April 20, 1999 from 4-6 p.m. in the MLK Union Rathskeller. Invitations are going out to the retirees. The President, Vice Presidents, and Deans have also been sent letters of invitation. There are 18 retiring faculty.

V. **New Business**

- A. Senate Appointment to Search Committee for Den of the Graduate School. The names of Senators Gholson and Irwin will be forwarded to the VPAA. VPAA Abebe said that this will be a national search; the ad should be coming out in the Chronicle. He hopes to commence the project by the end of April. Senators expressed the following concerns:
- What does the pool look like at this point in the academic year? According to VPAA Abebe, this should not be a problem for that position.
 - Concern was expressed over the plan to have a summer search. Faculty could leave at the end of the semester and return to a new Graduate School Dean.

VI. **Adjourn at 2:50 p.m. (Walker)**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nancy D. Marlow".

Nancy D. Marlow, Recorder