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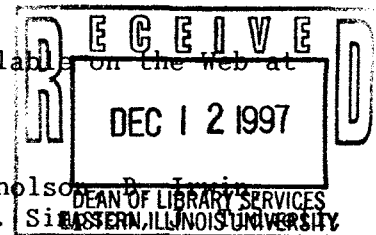
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**FACULTY SENATE MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 9, 1997 (Vol. xxvii, No. 14)**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER BY GAIL RICHARD AT 2:02 p.m.**

Present: J. Allison, C. Eberly, G. Foster, N. Furumo, R. Gholson, D. Jorns, G. Lockart, N. Marlow, H. Nordin, G. Richard, J. Schmidt, J. Simpson, L. Walker, A. Zahlan. Guests: B. Bolter, W. Hine, T. Ivarie, D. Jorns, C. Pederson C. Oliver

**II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 2, 1997.**

A motion (Walker/Zahlan) to approve the minutes of December 2, 1997.

**CORRECTION:** J. Allison requested that the minutes be changed to read that "there was not a \$75.00 overcharge for new computer purchases". The 12/2/97 minutes reflected the \$75.00 as a "computer charge". The \$75.00 was not a charge.

Yes - Allison, Foster, Furumo, Gholson, Irwin, Lockart, Marlow, Nordin, Richard, Schmidt, Simpson, Tidwell, Walker, Zahlan.

**III. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Minutes - Environmental Health & Safety Core Committee - 11/17/97
- B. Memo from D. Jorns regarding a change in the BOT Regulations, II.B.6.k which will entitle coaches to cumulative sick leave of one day per month of appointment. There shall be no lump sum payment or other benefit provided for unused sick leave at the end of their term of appointment.
- C. E-mail from S. Dudley regarding his interest in serving on the Publications Committee

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Update on International Programs and Off-Campus Programs
  - B. Bolter provided an update on international programs. These are:
    - \*His office has been working to clean up the ESL program
    - \*There is a curriculum and a curriculum committee in place
    - \*There is a student and a faculty handbook
    - \*12 students participated in the ESL program in the fall and 35 students are anticipated for the spring semester. The ESL program operates on the same academic calendar as the university so some of the problems of housing, etc. have been addressed
    - \*C. Ford is back working in the program.
    - \*There is a committee of faculty who review the credentials of the individuals teaching in the ESL program. The ESL faculty are being evaluated.
    - \*Because of the instability of the ESL program at the present time it is difficult to provide a long term commitment (more than a few months) to anyone to teach in the program. Individuals with masters in English are teaching in the program.
    - \*Student services for the international students is a priority of the office. There is a new advisor for the international students.
    - \*Faculty involvement in international programs is a priority of the office. 15 faculty have been abroad for a variety of programs and there are 10 pending for additional travel abroad.
    - \*The goal is to increase the number of international students on campus. Typically, a school our size should have 4% - 5% international students. Eastern presently has 142 international students.
    - \*Overseas degree programs are being reviewed. Eastern is looking at an MBA program in Singapore. This program will be thoroughly reviewed and must meet NCA requirements. T. Ivarie, F. Clark and C. Evans will visit Singapore in the near future.
    - \*The international programs will provide additional resources for the university and will not take money away from the university. The programs provide diversity for the campus. The programs will also provide opportunities for faculty to compare and contrast what is done in the USA to

what is done in other countries. This is very important for business and for education.

\*B. Bolter sees his role as a facilitator for services for students and for opportunities for faculty.

T. Ivarie reported that in addition to the Singapore program there are programs in Budapest, Poland and a consortium with Finland, Belgium and Germany.

W. Hine reported that Adult/Continuing Education is supportive of the international programs and provide some infrastructure. There must be total cost recovery.

B. Botany/Zoology Degree Motion

MOTION (Gholson/Furumo) to move the motion (The Faculty Senate urges the President and the Vice President of Academic Affairs to commit the University to continuation and support of the degree structure currently in place.) off the table. Yes - Furumo, Gholson, Irwin, Lockart, Marlow, Schmidt, Simpson. No - Allison, Eberly, Foster, Walker. Abstain - Richard, Zahlan. There was discussion as to whether the Faculty Senate should be involved in department structure issues.

MOTION (Zahlan/Allison) to withdraw the motion.

C. Committee Reports

1. Nominations Committee & Liaison Coordinator - no report
2. Elections Committee - no report
3. Faculty-Student Relations Committee - no report
4. Faculty-Staff Relations Committee - no report
5. Executive Committee

Money has been released to the deans - equipment (\$150,000) computers (\$148,00) and operations (\$168,000). There will be additional money in the spring.

The state approved money for the library, steam tunnels and computer infrastructure.

The presidential search committee composition has not been determined. The BOT will determine the committee composition and the chair of the committee will probably be the chair of the BOT. The BOT is looking at search firms. There will be faculty representation on the committee. It is anticipated that the committee will be named by March 1998.

6. Faculty Senate Committee on Committees - first meeting on 12/15/97, 2:45
7. Parking Committee - H. Nordin reported that there have been rumors that the new mall areas on campus have been built with monies from the parking fees. This is not true. The money for those projects have come from the student fee monies. There is concern with the wall east of Old Main. There are safety issues with people crossing in that area. L. Hencken, T. Weidner and T. Larson are looking into the problems.

D. J. Allison asked if the change in duties with the legislative liaison would result in J. Nilsen spending time in Springfield. D. Jorns reported that J. Nilsen is more busy than originally intended to be but that J. Nilsen would need to be asked. He could not respond for her.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Agenda items

1. Update from Director of Athletics - Jan. 1998
2. Update on Illinois Articulation Initiatives - date pending
3. Update on University Studies Program - date pending
4. Review of Constitutional Planning Process - no specific date

VI. ADJOURN at 3:40 p.m. (Walker)

FACULTY SENATE WILL NOT MEET DURING EXAM WEEK. THE NEXT FACULTY SENATE MEETING WILL BE JANUARY 13, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan K. Schmidt, Recorder

