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Faculty Senate Minutes of January 16, 1996 (vol. xxv. no. 16)

Called to order by Chair John Simpson at 2:05 pm.

Present: J. Allison, J. ~~Craft~~, G. Foster, F. Fraker, R. Gholson, W. Kirk, H. Nordin, J. Ozier, G. Richard, J. Schmidt, J. Simpson, J. Tidwell, D. Wolf.
Absent: A. Shelton
Visitors: L. Coon, B. Anderson, K. Allee.

I. Approval of Minutes

A Motion (Richard / Tidwell) to approve the minutes of December 5, 1995 as published. (12-0-1)

II. Communications

- A. Chair Simpson welcomed John Craft back to the Senate.
- B. Intercollegiate Athletic Board Minutes. (11-2-95)
- C. Letter from Mrs. Ramona Roberson advising the Senate that Dr. Jon Laible would be acting as the Liaison between the Foundation Board and Faculty Senate. (11-25-95)
- D. Memo from President Jorns re: CUPB Bylaws (12-19-95).
- E. A memo from Dean Lanham re: Discipline Allocation Formula (12-28-95).
- F. Correspondence from Dr. L. Coon.
 - 1. Memo to President Jorns
 - 2. Court document re:BOG & UPI
- G. Memo forwarded by J. Allison from Charles Larson re: FSLIPU (1-8-96).
- H. Memo from J. Beabout re: the revised bylaws for Radio and Television Center Board (10-19-95).
- I. Letter from Roger Beck noting leave of absence from the Faculty Senate (1-10-96).
- J. Letter from Lankford Walker resigning from Faculty Senate due to medical leave (1-15-96).
- K. Letter from President Jorns re: Faculty Excellence Awards Committee (12-15-95).
- L. Memo from John Allison re: revisions to Faculty Senate Constitution (1-15-96).
- M. Memo from Bryan Gutraj re: Student Publication resolution (1-15-96).
- N. Information re: the Board of Trustees, including the agenda for 1- 16-96, Faculty Senate Report on 1-16-96, & meeting dates for 1996.
- O. Memo from J. Allison re: questions on tuition increase in relation to January 13, 1996 Times Courier article.

III. Old Business

- A. Radio Television Center Bylaws
 - 1. Senator Allison voiced his objection to the revised bylaws due to a reduction from 3 Faculty Senate appointees to 1. Past Senate actions support the position of emphasizing not to reduce faculty representation.
 - 2. The motion contained in Faculty Senate Minutes of May 2, 1994 are worded to maintain 3 faculty members.
 - 3. Senator Gholson stated that the revised bylaws significantly increase faculty members on the board and improve the diversity of faculty representatives. Several senators concurred that they had no objections to the revised RTC Board composition.
 - 4. Senator Fraker recalled that the previous Senate had requested an explanation from J. Beabout regarding the changes, which was never received. Senator Allison concurred.
- B. Faculty Senate Constitution / Bylaws
 - 1. Senator Allison circulated revisions which have incorporated non-substantive changes to the document.
 - 2. The Senate's Constitution Committee will prepare the document for senators to review, which incorporates previous wording and changes.
 - 3. Any substantive changes will be prepared by the committee for Faculty Senate Review and approval. If approved by Faculty Senate, the changes would have to be approved by the faculty as a whole.
- C. Faculty Club
 - 1. Senator Gholson requested clarification of the term "Faculty Club" to mean the present University Club or a place for faculty to meet. Chair Simpson clarified the latter.

2. A committee currently chaired by Dr. Quivey was in the process of gathering documentation on the Booth House, as well as other information. As pertinent information becomes available, Chair Simpson will share it with Senate members.
- D. Student Publications Resolution
Senator Tidwell reported no need to pursue it at present.
- E. Student Senate Course Evaluations:
 1. Kelly Brown replaced Rick Tucker and Senator Wolf stated that K. Brown was in the process of gathering updates.
 2. B. Anderson, student senator, reported that the Student Senate has not acted on this item yet. His perception was that the original intent was not to have just a course evaluation, but to include instructor evaluation.
 3. Senator Wolf stated that the process is in transition and she would continue to liaison and update the Faculty Senate.
 4. Senator Allison expressed his concern regarding a faculty evaluation focus and made a motion to request the Student Senate emphasize course evaluation rather than faculty evaluation. Motion died for lack of a second.
- F. Report from J. Simpson re: Retirement Reception on December 8.
- G. Report from J. Simpson re: status of Assistant Director of Student Life Search Committee. Interviews on campus are currently underway.

IV. New Business

- A. Senator Allison raised four questions regarding the tuition increase information reported in Times Courier article on 1-13-96:
 1. How will the situation affect EIU's budget?
 2. Will the majority of EIU's students realize any benefit from paying an increase of 1.3% over the IBHE recommendation of 3%?
 3. Will the situation impact hiring of tenure-track faculty and/or salary improvements, which are goals of the Strategic Plan?
 4. How came it that the President and other administrators did not inform students that any increase over 3% would go into a state fund?
- B. Chair Simpson reported that the topic was discussed at the Board of Trustees meeting and he would pursue more information.
- C. Senator Gholson questioned if the Faculty Senate wanted to take a position regarding the Staff Senate concern on consuming food and beverages in classrooms. Chair Simpson will clarify what feedback the Staff Senate would like from Faculty Senate.
- D. Senator Allison raised an issue regarding the cost of duplicating, which is creating problems for several departments on campus. He stated that there is a perception that the current system is not cost effective. J. Simpson will follow up.
- E. Senator Gholson raised the issue of parking on campus in light of the reduction of Buzzard parking lots for faculty/staff. Senator nordin is on the Parking Committee and will contact Chief Larson to address the issue.
- F. Senator Allison asked when Kim Furumo will be attending Faculty Senate to discuss the business priority report. J. Simpson will check.
- G. Senator Allison reminded the Senate of conducting a faculty issues forum this spring. Details will be addressed at a future meeting.

Senator Tidwell moved to adjourn at 3:30 pm.

Tentative agenda: Tuition Increase, Senate Constitution, Parking, Faculty Forum.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Richard, Recorder

Angela Mapes, Secretarial Assistant