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Faculty Senate Minutes of February 6, 1996 (vol. xxv. no. 19)

Called to order by John Simpson at 2:03 pm.

Present: J. Allison, J. Craft, C. Eberly, F. Fraker, W. Kirk, H. Nordin, J. Ozier, G. Richard, J. Schmidt, A. Shelton, J. Simpson, J. Tidwell, D. Wolf.

Absent: R. Gholson.

Visitors: B. Anderson, J. Anselment, T. Cenker, B. Cole, T. Weidner.

I. Approval of the Minutes

A motion (Tidwell / Schmidt) to approve the minutes of January 30, 1996 as corrected (13/0/0):

A. W. Kirk was not present at the January 30, 1996 meeting.

II. Communications:

- A. Phone call from R. Gholson to Chair Simpson with regrets for not being able to attend the Faculty Senate meeting due to an unexpected trip out of town. He requested that F. Fraker collect materials for him.
- B. Interview schedule for Executive Director of Development - candidate Barbara E. (Bobbie) Hilke.
- C. Memo from Kim Furmo and Jill Nilsen, CUPB, regarding scheduled meetings and subcommittees.
 - 1. February 22 1:00 p.m. Charleston/Mattoon Room
 - March 8 1:00 p.m. Arcola/Tuscola Room
 - April 29 1:00 p.m. Effingham Room Union)
 - 2. Bylaws and procedures subcommittee will be chaired by Ted Ivarie.
- D. Memo from Ted Ivarie requesting schedules to coordinate CUPB subcommittee meeting.
- E. Memo from Lou Henkin regarding a Faculty Senate representative appointment to the Search Committee for Director of Alumni Services. Dr. Robert Augustine will chair the committee.
- F. Memo regarding Faculty Excellence Awards nominations, which must be submitted to the committee by April 15.
- G. Memo from Mark Haines regarding State of the University address, to be held on March 6, 1996 - 3:30 to 5:00 pm in Lumpkin Hall 122.
- H. Chair Simpson contacted Tom Larson regarding an invitation to address the Faculty Senate concerning security and parking issues. Mr Larson agreed to attend the February 13th meeting.
- I. Conversation between Linda Coleman and Chair Simpson regarding item in the January 22, 1996 Staff Senate concerning a policy of no food/beverages in classrooms. L. Coleman asked if the Faculty Senate had a position on the issue, and mentioned that it is difficult to lecture in the extended classes without liquid available. Chair Simpson urged concerned students or faculty to contact Staff Senate members with their concerns.
- J. Minutes of the Intercollegiate Athletic Board meeting.
- K. Corrected Faculty Senate minutes of January 23, 1996 distributed by Senator Richard.
- L. Letter to the Faculty Senate from John Allison resigning as Chair of the Constitution Revision Committee.
- M. Conversation between Senator Wolf and Kelly Brown. Ms. Brown requested to appear on the agenda for next week's meeting to update the members on the Student Senate Course Evaluations issue.

III. Old Business

- A. Constitution Revision
 - 1. A highlighted draft was distributed, marking current and proposed wording changes in the document. Several senators requested time to review the changes and begin discussion next week.
 - 2. The subcommittee will be meeting again to finalize revisions in the Bylaws, and will present those changes to the Faculty Senate next week.
 - 3. Chair Simpson requested a volunteer to replace Senator Allison on the Committee. Senator Ozier agreed, and was accepted by consensus.
- B. Spring Elections

Senator Foster has notified all councils/boards. Staggering for various elected terms has been determined, but qualifications and questions have not been finalized for several of the positions.

- C. Faculty Forum
One response has been received from a faculty member regarding issues to be addressed. A call for issues will be included again in this week's minutes.
- D. Buzzard Renovations
 - 1. Senator Nordin stated that there had been a letter to the Editor in the DEN regarding fire safety at Buzzard.
 - 2. Senator Fraker stated that nothing had been done as of yet concerning the locked doors.
 - 3. Senator Ozier stated that any problems regarding the Child Development Lab had been addressed immediately by Ted Weidner or Gary Hanebrink.
 - 4. VPAA Weidner stated that departments are trying to address issues as they arise.
- E. Search Committees
 - 1. Jennifer Wallace has been appointed as the Assistant Director of Student Affairs.
 - 2. Senator Allison nominated Senator Kirk to be the Faculty Senate representative on the Search Committee for the Director of Alumni Services. It was determined in response to a senator's question that this position will report to Vice President Hencken under Student Affairs.
- F. Faculty Club
Senators Fraker and Eberly distributed a draft of seven questions to be presented to the Faculty/Staff. Discussion and suggestions for revisions generated in the meeting will be incorporated and brought back to the Faculty Senate.

IV. New Business

Faculty Senate position on food/beverage in classrooms

- A. General discussion suggested support for allowing food/beverages in the classrooms.
- B. Most Senators agreed that individual departments should be responsible for setting guidelines on clean up after classes, while a few were opposed to assuming responsibilities for encouraging or policing student clean-up.
- C. A larger issue may be the lack of facilities on campus where students can congregate with food or beverages to study or relax.
- D. Senator Ozier pointed out that many students are on tight schedules and do not have other options or time to eat.

Senator Allison moved to adjourn at 3:12 p.m.

Tentative agenda: Constitution Revision, Faculty Club, Student Senate Course Evaluations (K. Brown), Parking and Security concerns (T. Larson).

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Richard, Recorder

Angela Mapes, Secretarial Assistant

FACULTY FORUM: ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

Name: _____
(optional)

Dept. _____
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ISSUE(S):