

FACULTY SENATE MEETING  
University Center, Governor's Room  
Thursday, January 25, 1996

AGENDA

Call to order 3:20  
Roll Call of Senators  
Approval of Agenda  
Purpose of Faculty Senate Minutes  
Approval of Minutes (December 14, 1995 regular meeting)

Reports and Communications

President, Dr. Sal Rinella (10 minutes)  
Vice President AA, Dr. John Butler (Absent from campus)  
TBR Subcouncil, Dr. Dolores Gore (Absent from campus)  
Academic Council, Dr. Nanci Woods (5 minutes)  
Deans Council, Dr. Robert Robison (5 minutes)  
Thank you for the attendance of Dr. Rinella

Old Business

1. SGA Common Hour Proposal (Angel Smith, SGA President)
2. Telephone registration (Dr. Dulniak)
3. Faculty degree completion pay raise (Dr. Sorenson)
4. Faculty Exchange Center (Academic Red)
5. Classroom Attendance and Roll (Dr. Robison)
6. Other

New Business

1. Open

Adjourn: 4:30

Unapproved Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
of the Faculty Senate, APSU  
December 14, 1995

Senators Present: Steve Anderson, James Bateman, Patrick Bunton, Susan Calovini, Art Carpenter, Don Dailey, Sue Cloud Evans, Margaret Deitrich, Art Eaves, Deborah Fetch, Mark Ginn, James Goode, Dolores Gore, Kay Haralson, Kathy Martin, Maureen McCarthy, Michael Phillips, Allene Phy-Olsen, Jennie Preston-Sabin, Robert Robison, Karen Sorenson, Linda Thompson, David Till, Mickey Wadia, Nanci Woods, Nancy Wright

Meeting Called To Order: 3:20pm

Agenda Approved with changes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 16, 1995 were approved with revisions.

Discussion of Items discussed in November meeting not included in official minutes.

## REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

President Sal Rinella not present.

Vice-President John Butler reported:

- 1) Planning meetings for the Science Building are progressing very well. Necessary scaling back proceeding without problems. Everything looks very good.
- 2) Merry Exam Week!. Majority of faculty are following the published exam schedule, however, there are some reports that faculty are not following the schedule. "It is reprehensible to not follow the established Faculty-Senate-developed Examination Schedule." Thanks to Faculty Senate members and other Faculty who follow the schedule.
- 3) Americans with Disabilities Act. It is APSU policy to comply with regulations in ADA. Higher Education asked to follow reasonable efforts to comply. The regulations may change to become more inclusive.
- 4) Rehearsal for commencement times announced. Faculty encouraged, not required, to attend Commencement on Friday.

Q&A - Q. Define handicapped. A. Learning Disabled, people who have problems in crowds, test taking, etc. APSU has an individual on campus to work with these people.

TBR Subcouncil - Dr Gore reported:

A three day retreat is being planned in January over the concept of Tenure. Faculty Senate needs to help in defending the concept of tenure. Dr. Butler stated that Chancellor Smith is in favor of Tenure, but constantly questioned about faculty workload. Could faculty document what they do on a weekly basis? A form was presented to the FS by Dr. Bunton. ( He obtained it from a colleague from Clemson University at a summer workshop.) FS EC will work on the form and distribute to each FS member to complete and return.

Discussion followed concerning the observation that

forms of this type do not take into account the time and effort expended to obtain tenure. Tenure has been obtained by much personal sacrifice.

The mood across Tennessee and the rest of the country is not good for Higher Education. We must help the Chancellor as much as we can.

Academic Council :

- 1) Dr. Bekus has sent a memo to all faculty correcting an error in the catalogue. However, this information in the catalogue is binding even though it does not follow state guidelines.
- 2) A new form is required in addition to the Form A for new courses. The purpose of this form is to define the needs for library holdings. There will be continuing work on this form.

Dean's Council:

- 1) The extension of child care into the evenings for students is being explored. This would help non traditional students.
- 2) Concern expressed over the implementation of voice response/ telephone registration in March 1996.
- 3) Due to requirements in Financial Aid, there has been a great deal of discussion on requiring faculty to take roll in all classes.

## OLD BUSINESS

- 1) The order for commencement set. A great deal of discussion has occurred between all parties and an agreement has been made. Students first, then Administrators and Guests, Faculty last.
- 2) Dr. Phillips has forms for liability insurance for faculty if needed.
- 3) The condition of College Street and the reflection on APSU have been discussed with Dr. Rinella. He is concerned and the situation will be studied.

## NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Academic Red Committee has been asked to investigate and report on the concept of a Faculty Exchange Center.
- 2) Core review process is continuing, nothing has been settled. The committee wants faculty input.
- 3) The policy of employees receiving a pay raise after completion of a degree is not being followed in the case of Faculty. The Vice President of the Faculty Senate has been assigned to investigate.
- 4) Telephone Registration in March/April 1996 for Fall 1996 will be carried out. There is some concern about lack of training for faculty and about the effect on student faculty relations.
- 5) Proposed changes in attendance policies for the university have been discussed in the Dean's Council. What does the FS want to do? Some discussion... Motion to continue made, seconded, passed.
- 6) Dr. Anderson discussed some of the things the FS EX has been doing this year and expressed appreciation for members.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:03pm