

President Fott called the meeting to order. Fifteen senators were present; absent were senators Boren, McLoed, Frazier, Hunt, Larson, Bekus, Hendrix, and Hochstetler. The minutes from the Jan. 20th meeting were approved after some minor changes and the following substantive corrections were made: The first sentence in paragraph 6 was revised to read "President Fott reported that the Executive Committee together with other faculty members, both senators and nonsenators, met informally to recommend three members to the Vice-President for Academic Affairs Search Committee as requested by President Riggs."

Senator Gildrie made and Senator Till seconded the following motion: The Secretary and the President of the Faculty Senate shall compose a memo to be distributed to all faculty members explaining in detail the process by which the three faculty members were recommended to serve on the Vice-President for Academic Affairs Search Committee. The motion carried.

Calendar Committee Chairman McDermott reported this committee had met and needed guidance to proceed. Several suggestions were given, among them that individual departments might be canvassed to assess needs to which the Calendar Committee might address itself.

Faculty Benefits Committee Chairman Stedman reported that this committee was studying other campuses in the state in order to make a recommendation to the Senate concerning release time, special facilities, etc.

Senator Nixon, chairman of the ad hoc Committee on Presidential Retirement, reported a deficit of \$98.75 on the dinner held to honor President Morgan. A discussion followed with the senate divided between those who wished the Senate to defray the remaining expenses connected with the dinner and those who wished to approach the entire faculty on the matter. Senator Der made and Senator Gildrie seconded the following motion as amended by Senator Lambert and seconded by Senator Woodward: An appeal be sent to all faculty members asking for \$1 donations to meet the deficit by a certain date. If the deficit is not sufficient, then the Faculty Senate will be responsible for the balance, after first discerning if any individual senators have strong reservations to paying an additional amount and excluding them from responsibility. The motion carried. Senator Der suggested that the memo mention the fact that any excess would be applied to the Morgan Scholarship Fund.

Admission, Retention, and Advance Standing Committee Chairman Lambert reported that this committee had been exploring remedial programs and a reason for APSU's relatively low ACT scores.

Ad hoc Counseling Committee Chairman Stokes asked for advice about the best way to educate faculty advisors concerning a wealth of computer data provided by the ACT. It was reported that the faculty had not responded to a special request from Dr. Brandt's office to attend a seminar on the use of the ACT materials in helping student advisees. It was suggested that the committee might make arrangements for Dr. Brandt to meet with individual departments to discuss this matter.

Academic Committee Chairman Gildrie reported that this committee was considering the text book policy at the university and the need to provide some rationale for departments staying in the university program even if such departments are not productive enough with respect to student credit hours in order to maintain a strong undergraduate curriculum.

With respect to Senator Gildrie's suggestions for streamlining the Faculty Senate meetings, Senator Der made and Senator Gildrie seconded the following motion: An ad hoc Committee will be formed to study these procedural matters and report to the full senate at the next regularly scheduled meeting. The motion carried.

The Senate confirmed the following members to the ad hoc Committee on the Morgan Scholarship: Pat McDermott (Chairman), Dr. Ford, Dr. Hunt, Dr. Stroop, Dr. Dunegan, and Earl Sexton.

Meeting adjourned.