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THE FACULTY SENATE

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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE APRIL 6, 1978 MEETING OF THE FACULTY SENATE

President Sears called the meeting to order at 3:15 P.M. Thirteen senators were present; absent were Gannaway, Hager, Thompson, Jolly, Smith, Irwin, Till, W. Stokes, Rudolph.

The minutes of the March 9 meeting were approved as circulated. The proposed agenda was adopted as circulated, with the addition of the three proposed constitutional amendments to the Faculty Senate Constitution.

A report was made on the Professional Negotiations Conference at MTSU before a quorum was present. Senators who attended the meeting included Sears, Fott, and Lambert, as well as several other faculty members.

Moved by Der to amend the Faculty Senate Constitution as follows:

- (a) Add "counseling service," after "library service," in Article I, Section 2, last complete line.
- (b) Add Counseling, before Geography, in Article II, Section 2, Item (2).
- (c) Delete "at its organizational meeting in May" in Article III, first sentence.

Seconded by Stedman. Each amendment passed by a constitutional majority.

The Nominations and Appointments Committee reported that R.H.McCoy and Paul Hsu were appointed to an Emergency Snow Committee.

The Academic Committee reported several studies in progress.

Moved by Randall, seconded by Pinckney, that the Faculty Senate request that the following be included on the April 20 agenda of the University Assembly:

A motion to require that individuals who sit on all faculty retention and tenure committees and all faculty

promotion committees must, themselves, hold the appropriate terminal degree in their disciplines. Faculty members on department committees should spend at least fifty percent of their work in instructional capacities. Passed.

Senators filled out questionnaires from an ad hoc Committee of the Academic Council dealing with problems and prospects of changing to a semester system. Questionnaires were turned over to Pinckney. A short discussion ensued.

The Executive Committee reported on several items. First, the following are dates for the 1978 Senate elections:

- (a) Nominations are to be made from April 7 to April 12.
 - (b) Elections will be held from April 17 to April 19.
 - (c) Run-off elections will be held from April 24 to April 26.

(Each area will elect Senators for three-year terms as follows:

Natural Science (2)
Social Science (3)
Education (2)
Business (2)
Applied Arts and Sciences (1)
Humanities (2)
There will be an additional one-year seat open from the Humanities.)

Response from Fred Williams was received to an earlier request from the Senate relative to faculty members' being able to have salary checks deposited directly into their bank accounts and being able to buy books at cost from the Bookstore. Sears will refer this response to the appropriate committee for action.

Dr. Fott reported on the State-wide Faculty Sub-Council of which he was recently elected Acting Presiding Officer.

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