

Unapproved Minutes of Special Meeting
of the APSU Faculty Senate, July 21, 1994

Senators Present: Anderson, Dailey, Deitrich, Dixon, Fetch, Krau, Myers, Noel, Phylsen, Olsen, Robbins, Robison, Sears, Shaffer, Sorenson, Till, Walker, White, N. Woods.

Agenda for the meeting was approved.

Attendance of Dr. Richard Rhoda, Interim President, was approved.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Rhoda commended the faculty for their attendance and participation in the presidential interview process. He stated that the final stage of the selection process will include: a meeting of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee on Monday, July 25, 1994, followed by a visit of the Chancellor and TBR representatives to each of the three candidates, and culminate in an open meeting on APSU campus during the second week of August, 1994. The TBR will then complete its deliberations and the new president will be named.

Responding to questions from the group, Dr. Rhoda stated that the new president would probably be available within one to two months after being appointed. In answer to questions concerning faculty/staff salaries and the prospects for a new science building, Dr. Rhoda stated that the TBR would continue its "flexible plan of raising salaries by re-allocation of dollars from within the University (not from re-allocation of funds to other TBR schools)" and that "support for the new science building has the highest priority."

Dr. Shaffer in giving an update on the presidential search, voiced his confidence in the openness and integrity of the search process, which reduced a pool of 66 candidates to 12, then five, and resulted in interviews for three candidates.

After reading his letter of May 7, 1994, written on behalf of the Faculty Senate to TBR Chancellor Charles Smith soliciting information relative to the presidential search process, Dr. Shaffer acknowledged its very successful outcome. It was suggested that the Senate should follow-up on this prompt response with a note of appreciation to the Chancellor.

CURRENT BUSINESS

The only item of business on the agenda was a review of the candidates. A general discussion ensued, after which a vote was taken to determine the consensus of the group. Both senators and visitors participated. Dr. Paul Shaffer was instructed to convey the following result to the Presidential Search Advisory Committee on behalf of the Faculty Senate:

The faculty and visitors present supported the appointment of Dr. Patricia Sullivan over the appointment of Dr. Sal Rinella, but the general feeling was that there is strong support for both of these candidates.

TO FACULTY;

This schedule has been suggested as a replacement for our current exam schedule. Please examine it and make suggestions for discussion at the Faculty Senate Meeting.

Five-Day Plan

Advantages:

- spreads out the high enrollment class times across the week.
- keeps testing times as close to class times as possible.
- significantly decreases the likelihood that a student could have three exams administered on the same day.
- would rotate days so that the monday schedule in the fall would become the tuesday schedule in the spring and the wednesday schedule the next fall.

Disadvantages:

- eliminates study day.

Monday

8:30 - 10:30 All MWF classes which meet at 8:00
11:00 - 1:00 All T/TH classes which meet at 12:30
1:30 - 3:30 All MWF classes which meet at 1:00

Tuesday

8:30 - 10:30 All MWF classes which meet at 7:00
11:00 - 1:00 All MWF classes which meet at 12:00
1:30 - 3:30 All T/TH classes which meet at 2:00

Wednesday

8:30 - 10:30 All T/TH classes which meet at 8:00
11:00 - 1:00 All MWF classes which meet at 11:00
1:30 - 3:30 All MWF classes which meet at 2:00

Thursday

8:30 - 10:30 All T/TH classes which meet at 9:30
11:00 - 1:00 All MWF classes which meet at 10:00
1:30 - 3:30 All MWF classes which meet at 3:00

Friday

8:30 - 10:30 All MWF classes which meet at 9:00
11:00 - 1:00 All T/TH classes which meet at 11:00
1:30 - 3:30 Open

Final exams for all classes that meet at 4:00 pm or later would be administered during the regularly scheduled class time during examination week.