

Unapproved Minutes of the December 4, 1980 meeting of The Faculty Senate

Members Absent: Bryant, Dillard, Hackman, Hutcheson, McCoy, Miller, Matthews, Patty, Wenger.

1. President Myers moved for acceptance of the November 13, 1980 minutes with the following changes:
 - a. Item 3-c substitute the word faculty for the word administrators.
 - b. Item 4 should state that the motion was made to approve the four statements on The Faculty Handbook by the "Faculty Handbook Committee" rather than by Der.
2. President Myers moved for acceptance of the agenda. Motion passed.
3. President Myers made the following announcements:
 - a. There are not enough votes returned to approve the proposed constitutional amendments. Please encourage faculty to return their ballots.
 - b. Dr. Riggs states there will be a Faculty Senate representative on the budget committee.
 - c. Dr. Riggs states there is a good possibility that faculty mailboxes will be installed in the Browning Building.
 - d. Response from Ryan's and Till's motion concerning the release of any impounded funds will be circulated.
 - e. Response regarding the mechanism for approval of University policies will be circulated.
 - f. Dr. Riggs' response on contingency enrollment plans will be circulated to Senate members.
 - g. Report on meeting with representatives from other Senators in various state universities.
 - h. There may be a need for a special meeting in January to cover business of The Senate.

4. Report of The Faculty Committee concerning merit pay.

Motion made that it is recommended that the university petition The Board of Regents to suspend the merit pay system in favor of across-the-board raises if these should be less than five percent raises. Motion seconded.

Motion amended to state the University petition The Board of Regents to provide at least across-the-board 5% raises before merit pay is considered. Amendment seconded. Amendment passed.

The motion as amended passed.

5. Motion made that the actual vote on the merit pay motion be forwarded along with the motion. Motion seconded. Motion defeated.
6. Motion made to accept Item I, Statement of Purpose in the merit pay report, with academic responsibilities changed to professional responsibilities. Motion seconded. Motion passed.
7. Motion made to extend discussion on merit pay for 15 minutes. Motion seconded. Motion passed.
8. Motion made to table merit pay report. Motion seconded. Motion defeated.
9. Motion made to delay discussion until the next regular scheduled meeting on merit pay. Motion seconded. Motion passed.
10. Motion made that the administration follow Board of Regents Policy in reimbursement of travel expenses. Motion seconded. Motion passed.
11. Motion made that faculty that have had meals removed from their travel claims be reimbursed for this expense. Motion seconded. Motion passed.
12. Report by President Myers on action taken in the Joint President's Council of the Board of Regents on the issue of overload pay. There was a motion before this council to pay overload at a rate of 1/48 of their regular pay for overload classes. The motion was defeated.

13. Report of Library Committee

- a. Motion made to accept the recommendations of The Library Committee concerning access to the library during holidays. Motion seconded. Motion passed.
- b. Motion made that The Senate approve the four recommendations of The Library Committee concerning their reaction to the library statement on Recommendations on Copyright and Reserve Operations with the additional statement that Dr. Riggs, Dr. Sawrey, and Mr. Simmons respond in writing to this motion. Motion seconded. Motion passed.

14. Report of The Academic Committee

- a. Fort Campbell Center--The committee is waiting on responses from the Fort Campbell Center.
- b. Length of Summer Term--The length of the summer term was extended to allow veterans to collect money from V.A. between the summer and fall term. Mr. Gentry states that the V.A. is studying this problem and he expects a ruling soon. If a favorable ruling is given then the summer term may be shortened.
- c. Continuing education--Motion made that:

Written approval of Continuing Education course content, course title, and instructor be obtained by the Director of Continuing Education from the Academic Department Chair whose academic area is most closely related to that of the proposed C.E. course--the approval to be obtained prior to the first scheduling of the course. Any subsequent change in content, title, or instructor should also be approved in writing prior to making the change.

Each student enrolled in a C.E. course be given, at the first class meeting, a written document which clearly explains (a) the purpose of the University's C.E. Program, (b) the differences between C.E. courses and regular University Courses, (c) the fact that C.E. Credit (CEU's) cannot be converted to regular University Credit (credit hours), (d) the fact that C.E. courses cannot be substituted for regular University courses in any degree program. Such a document should be developed by the Director of Continuing Education and used in all C.E. courses.

Motion seconded. Motion passed.

15. Meeting adjourned.

