Unapproved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Faculty Senate, APSU November 16, 1995

Senators Present: Steve Anderson, James Bateman, Patrick Bunton, Susan Calovini, Art Carpenter, Wayne Chaffin, Sue Cloud Evans, Margaret Deitrich, Art Eaves, Deborah Fetch, Mark Ginn, James Goode, Dolores Gore, Robert Halliman, Kay Haralson, Kathy Martin, Ramon Magrans, Maureen McCarthy, Rebecca McMahan, Sallie Noel, Michael Phillips, Allene Phy-Olsen, Jennic Preston-Sabin, William Renkl, Robert Robison, Karen Sorenson, Linda Thompson, Victor Ukpolo, Nanci Woods, Charles Woods

Meeting Called To Order: 3:20pm

Agenda Approved.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 19, 1995 were approved with revisions.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

President Sal Rinella not present.

Vice-President John Butler reported:

- 1) He is currently reading through the dossiers of second year faculty. APSU has a very good group of faculty in this class.
- 2) The faculty needs to be reminded that the Final Exam schedule cannot be changed. Also remember that it was created by the faculty.
- 3) The search for the new VPAA is going well. The committee is very good and there are a large number of applications. Please give the committee all of your support and advice.
- 4) The Chancellor for TBR has indicated that the Legislature is looking for greater faculty accountability and is not inclined to increase funding for higher education, another continuation budget for 1996-1997. There is a possibility some funds may be allocated for salaries.

TBR Subcouncil - Dr Gore reported:

- 1) Funding has been discussed and appears to be a continuation budget for 1996-1997.
- 2) The question of Tenure and workload has been brought up at both THEC and TBR. While Chancellor Smith supports tenure, there are those in the legislature and in THEC and TBR who do not. Faculty Senate Executive Committee is collecting data to support tenure.
- 3) The possibility of retirement options was brought up, but no specific ones were

mentioned.

- 4) TBR staff seemed positive about the possibility of salary increases.
- Dr. Bunton stated that a colleague at a summer workshop shared a workload reporting system with him. He said he would get a copy to the EC.

Academic Council:

- 1) Nursing has applied for a modification in the curriculum in order to aid current R.N.'s in getting a B.S.
- 2) Social Work requested permission to add a course in order to meet accreditation guidelines.

Dean's Council:

There have been a few complaints that the Socrates Award allows too many junior faculty to be given awards while senior faculty can only apply for three.

Any one with a complaint or suggestion is asked to contact EC or their Dean.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Changes have been made in the commencement procession. The president of the Faculty Senate will lead in the faculty. Students will march in first, followed by the faculty.
- 2) The matter of faculty liability is continuing to be studied.
- 3) The problem with senators attendance has been resolved.
- 4) The reviews by the Nominations/Elections Committee and Personnel Policies Committee are continuing.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) The future of the Fort Campbell Center is very important for the future of APSU. The Faculty needs to support these efforts as much as possible.
- 2) Planning for Adjunct/Overload use for the 96-97 academic year has begun.
- 3) The Student Government Association has proposed that a "common hour" be established. This hour would be used for meetings and other gatherings across the campus.
- 4) Dr. Rinella has asked the FS Executive Committee to investigate the reorganization options for the College of Graduate and Professional Programs and Continuing and Extended Education.
- 5) There will be a reception Monday, November 20th for area legislators and other state officials who have helped APSU.
- 6) The President has established a Formula Funding Steering Committee to look into implementation of the Formula Funding Task Force Report.
- 7) The Planning report has been given to the President and will be forwarded to the TBR.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:43pm