



Clarksville, Tennessee 37040

**The Faculty Senate**

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**UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 1978 MEETING OF THE FACULTY SENATE**

President Foote called the meeting to order at 3:05 P.M. Sixteen senators were present; absent were Gammaway, Hagar, Matthews, Baggett, Daniels, White, Stedman, W. Stokes, Ikard, Bath, Martin, and Sadowski. The minutes of the October 26, 1978 meeting were approved as amended. The agenda was approved as presented.

**1. Announcements by President Foote**

- (a) Drs. George Fisher - Education, and Malcolm Muir - Social Science, were elected to the senate to fill vacancies. Their terms expire April 30, 1978.
- (b) Report from the senate on the proposed revision of the University's grading scale was accepted by the Academic Council. No action was taken by the Academic Council (Reference; Senate minutes May 4, 1978).
- (c) Resolution concerning the criteria used to select faculty members who sit on retention and tenure committees sent by the senate to the University Assembly has been referred to the Academic Council for action (Reference: Senate minutes, April 6, 1978).

**2. Senate Committee Reports**

- (a) Rules Committee (Dr. Der)  
no present business
- (b) Academic Committee (Dr. Randall)  
no present business  
Dr. Randall, Chairman of the University Assembly, informed the Senate that the Assembly would decide how to best study the proposed "Semester Plan" in view of Dr. Riggs' request that a recommendation from the Assembly reach him (President) by February 1, 1979. Dr. Randall indicated that a debate of the issues surrounding the acceptance or rejection of a semester plan would be held in the January 25 and February 1 meetings of the University Assembly.

- (c) Faculty Committee (Dr. Winn)  
The Committee has completed a study of the retention and tenure personnel policies and the results will be on next month's agenda. Presently, the Committee is investigating continuance of the faculty evaluation of administrators and Dr. Stokes recommendations concerning the instrument.
- (d) Nominations and Appointments Committee (Mrs. Smith)  
Nomination of Drs. Irwin and Baggett to the University Assembly's Committee on Committees.
- (e) Budget Committee (Dr. White)  
no report

3. New Business

- (a) Motion - Dorothy Smith, seconded by B. Randall:  
"That the Vice President for Academic Affairs expeditiously distribute to the faculty copies of the Academic Council actions that are approved by the Vice President and/or President of the University and are, in effect, rules and regulations of the University." Motion carried.
- (b) Motion - T. Beach, seconded by H. Winn:  
"That the Faculty Senate recommend that the library staff make arrangements for faculty access to the library during holiday periods and that this action be reported to the Vice President for Academic Affairs." Motion carried.
- (c) Motion - Executive Committee on amending Senate Constitution:  
First reading  
"In Article IV, Provision (1), add after "Faculty": "or by a two-thirds majority of the entire Faculty Senate, the means of ratification to be specified upon proposal of the amendment." No action taken.
- (d) Motion - C. Ikard, seconded by D. Der:  
"The administration should desist from scheduling classes in classrooms other than those ordinarily assigned to departments unless or until logical and compelling reasons for doing so can be given to the faculty involved." Motion failed.
- (e) Substitute Motion - H. Blanck, seconded by D. Der:  
"That President Riggs establish the following policy: Classes should be scheduled in rooms ordinarily assigned to departments. When there exists a logical and compelling reason for doing otherwise, the faculty involved should be consulted in advance." Motion carried.

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(f) Motion - B. Randall, Seconded by Beach:

"That the Vice President for Academic Affairs appoint an ad hoc committee to study faculty availability to the library during holiday periods. Further, that the following serve on the committee: One Senator as chairman, three faculty (one from each college), Mr. Simmons (Director of the Library), one library staff member, and the Director of Security.

Amendment - D. Smith, seconded by E. Irwin:

Substitute "access" for availability" in original motion.  
Amendment carried.

Amendment - T. Beach, seconded by G. Fisher:

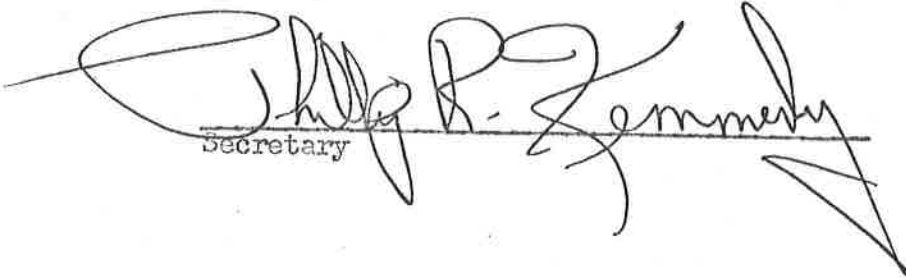
To add to the ad hoc committee the chairman of the Library Committee (Dr. Joe Thomas).

Motion carried as amended.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 P.M.



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President



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Secretary

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