# Unapproved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Faculty Senate, June 10, 1993

Senators Present: Anderson, Asanbe, Calovini, Christian, Glass, Gore, Gotcher, Hagewood, Harris, Mabry, Magrans, Matthews, Mccluskey, Myers, Noel, Nussbaumer, Richards, Robbins, Robison, Salama, Sears, Shaffer, White, C. Woods, N. Woods, Yarbro

Agenda for the meeting was approved.

Minutes for the May 6 were approved

### REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

# Dr. Page reported:

- 1. on progress on improvements to the physical plant:
  - a. The Harned Hall renovation is going well and is on schedule. It should be completed in early 94 and ready for use by May 94.
  - b. We are working on developing the telecommunications infrastructure on campus by tying together the buildings for computer and video transmissions.
  - c. The legislature has approved money for a communications linkage with Springfield.
  - d. We are renovating 4 dorms. We are on schedule and the buildings should be ready in early August.
  - e. Parking additions under construction should be completed soon.
- 2. that the budget has been submitted to the Board of Regents. It contains an across the board pay increase for July 1 of 2%. It also contains a tentative 4% pay increase for Jan. 1 which is dependent on state revenue
- 3. that he wants to address three issues in the fall. These are:
  - a. Multi-ethnic issues on campus. He will set up a task force of 8, 2 students, 3 administrators, and 3 faculty (2 appointed by the Faculty Senate). The task force's job will be to identify what the multi-ethnic issues on campus are and how to address them. He expects the committee to be ready to begin its task at the beginning of the fall term.
  - b. Coordination of minority programs. We need to support the needs of all minority students. He plans to appoint a committee to develop plans to do this.

c. Career services for students. He feels that we are not doing the best that we can. Career planing has not been addressed by the university community.

Dr. Butler reported that summer enrollment is fine. He also believes that there needs to be a focus on faculty development expenditures. He will appoint a committee to work with him on this issue.

Academic Council reported on the change in the fall term holiday from a fall break to a veteran's day beginning in 1994, the approval of a Master's Degree in Accounting, and changes in the core requirements

## OLD BUSINESS

The Committee to Review Policies and Procedures for Chairs

This issue was referred to the Faculty Red Committee

## Smoking Policy

The Academic Red committee reported that they reviewed the current policy, checked on its implementation in each building, and determined how other Tennessee educational institutions handled smoking policy. They recommended that the current policy be updated to make it clearer and that the Senate determine whether the campus be made smoke free. It was pointed out that this may not be possible for the campus to be smoke free under current law.

## Distinguished Professor Award

This issue was referred to the Academic Red Committee

<u>Procedure for Chair Selection in the Department of Health and Physical Education</u>

This issue was referred to the Faculty White Committee

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

It was moved and seconded that there be a Faculty Senate meeting on August 5. The motion passed.

One year language requirement. Gary Harris said he believed that the Faculty Senate should recommend to the Academic Council that students be required to take at least one year of a college level foreign language. He said that this would enhance our students international awareness and understanding.

Faculty Senate Committee on Technology and Education. Robert Robison said this is important and changing area. He feared that

APSU may be falling behind. He feels that the Senate should keep itself abreast of the changes in this area.

The meeting was adjourned.