

Unapproved Minutes of the April 17, 1980 Meeting of the Faculty Senate

President Yarbro called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. There were sixteen senators present; absent were: Hagar, Matthews, D. White, Baggett, Miller, Brown, Wenger, Beach, Randall, Bath, Martin, and Wallace.

The Chairman moved for acceptance of the March 27, 1980 minutes (second - Carter). Motion passed.

The Chairman moved for approval of the agenda with the addition of a discussion of the university budget hearings (second - Foote). Motion passed.

President Yarbro read Mr. Simmons' response to the Senate's request to appear at the Senate meeting. Mr. Simmons stated he would not be able to attend any meetings due to his schedule. He was willing to accept questions in writing or talk to interested faculty on an individual basis.

John Foote stated that the Senate needed to vote to allow Van Riggins to attend the Senate meeting. Don Der made the motion (second - Carter) to allow Van Riggins to attend the meeting. Motion passed.

Phil Kemmerly made the motion (second - Hackman) to table further discussion and communication with Mr. Simmons on library operation until Fall 1980. Motion failed (5-5-5).

Don Der made the motion (second - Kemmerly) to postpone further discussion on the library until the May meeting. Motion passed (8-2-5).

President Yarbro announced the upcoming election of Senators. Officers for 1980-81 will be elected at the May meeting.

President Yarbro announced that the results of the review of administrators had been forwarded to the appropriate people.

Glenn Carter reported on the status of the university's budget hearings. He announced that the University Assembly would meet on April 24 and President Riggs would discuss the budget at that time. The Business Office is looking into the possibilities of faculty discounts at the Bookstore and University Store.

There was no report from the Academic Committee.

President Yarbro reported to the Senate on the College of Education and Human Services' Faculty Development Program.

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Tom Pinckney presented a recommendation on the evaluation of instruction submitted by the Departments of Sociology and Political Science.

Don Der made the motion (second - Carter) to have the Faculty Committee study student evaluations and other concerns of the evaluation process and report to the Senate their recommendations. Motion passed.

Van Riggins presented to the Senate a proposed student evaluation of instruction instrument prepared by the S.G.A. The S.G.A. was attempting to find an evaluation which students could responsibly answer. Don Der made the motion (second - Ikerd) to accept Mr. Riggins' report and refer it to the Faculty Committee for consideration. Motion passed.

Tom Pinckney presented the proposed T.I.A.A. Disability Program. The Senate discussed the differences between the proposed program and the present program. Don Der made the motion (second - Foote) to inform the Faculty Subcommittee that the Faculty Senate voted to allow T.I.A.A. to attempt to enroll the necessary 75% of faculty into this program. Motion passed.

Charles White reported on the current study of the textbook rental system. The university is looking into possible changes to improve the textbook system.

President Yarbro announced that nominations for Distinguished Professor would be requested from the Senate in the next two weeks.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.