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Meetings of the Academic Senate are open to members of the University community. Persons attending the meetings may participate in discussion with the consent of the Senate.

Persons desiring to bring items to the attention of the Senate may do so by contacting any member of the Senate.
CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. in Stevenson 401.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll and reported to the Chairman that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion (Mr. DeMarini, Mr. Jones) to approve the minutes as distributed without corrections was approved unanimously.

RESIGNATIONS OF SENATORS

The Chairman announced the resignations of Senator Kagy and Senator Mensinger. He announced that a replacement for Mr. Mensinger had not yet been determined and that a decision was being made about the replacement for Mr. Kagy, since no other candidates were available from the College of Applied Science and Technology. The situation has been referred to the Rules Committee to come up with a decision as to whether or not a special election would be required to fill Mr. Kagy's position.

IN MEMORIAM: MAX L. HONN AND ROBERT W. SMALL

The Chairman read memorial statements into the minutes regarding the deaths of Max L. Honn and Robert W. Small. These statements are attached to the Minutes. (See appendix A.)

ADMINISTRATORS' REMARKS

President Budig read a letter regarding the appointment of Coenraad Mohr as chairman of the Dean of Student Affairs Selection Committee and of Robert McAdam as the administrative representative on the Dean of Student Affairs Selection Committee. (See appendix B.)

Dean Helgeson read a letter to the Chairman nominating replacements for the Council for Teacher Education. The Chairman ruled that the rules must be suspended in order
to consider confirmation of the appointments. A motion (Mr. Roderick, Mr. Smith) to suspend the rules to consider the confirmation of the appointments to the Council for Teacher Education was made. Mr. Madore reminded the Senate that the Senate had referred an item to the Council for Teacher Education concerning a revision of its membership. The motion to suspend the rules failed because it did not receive unanimous consent. See appendix C.

**REMARKS OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT**

Mr. McConnell's remarks included an announcement about the voter registration drive on the campus. He also mentioned the relationship between the registration drive and the fight against higher tuition. Mr. McConnell stated that he had been misquoted in the Vidette in the remarks attributed to him saying "that if the tuition was raised, there would be some potential cuts in staff positions and library hours." He stated that he did say that if the overall budget was cut such things might happen. Mr. McConnell reported that Senator Tom Hynes of the State Senate had introduced a resolution against raising tuition, and twenty co-sponsors had joined Senator Hynes on this bill. Mr. McConnell mentioned that the student body presidents from across the state would be meeting with the Lt. Governor tomorrow to discuss the tuition hike. Mr. McConnell announced that the student body presidents planned to meet with the Governor and hoped to have petitions with several thousand names to present to the Governor at that time. Mr. McConnell read the statement on the petition and asked that it be included in the Minutes. The statement reads:

> Illinois has long had a quality higher education system and millions of people have benefitted from this low cost education.

> We, the undersigned, strongly urge Governor Dan Walker to maintain this tradition by fully funding the higher education budget at the BHE recommended level of 676 million dollars. Secondly, we request that the Governor prevent a tuition increase.

> Increases in the cost of higher education should be covered from the General Revenue Fund, not through the selective taxation of students and their families.

Mr. McConnell reported that the student body president of Eastern Illinois University has already collected five thousand signatures.

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. Revision in the Withdrawal Policy

The Chairman moved to the first action item, the revision in the withdrawal policy. A motion (Mr. Champagne, Mr. Cetwinski) to delete the present withdrawal policy stated on page 31 of the 1973-74 Catalog was made. This section reads:

> F will be given to a student who withdraws unofficially from a course. Withdrawal will be considered unofficial after three weeks of unexplained absences or by the close of the semester whichever is the shorter time.
Mr. Champagne explained the rationale for the recommendation from the Academic Affairs Committee. Mr. Cetwinski stated that he would like to know more about the implications of the adoption of this motion. He requested the permission of the Senate to let Gerald Girard, Registrar of the University, explain the implications of the motion. Mr. Girard stated that he would like to state some facts and raise some questions that he felt should be answered by the Academic Senate. He asked what would happen to a student who did not attend class at all. The current policy allows the instructor to give the student an F but in the cancellation of this policy some question would be left as to what to do. Mr. Girard explored the implications of this change for financial aids. He raised the question of what happens to the record of the student who took a course and then unofficially withdraws. Mr. Girard stated that if the unofficial withdrawal policy is wiped off the books, it would be difficult to keep accurate student records. Mr. Girard announced that the past semester saw an increase in withdrawals from 5000 to 8000.

Mr. McConnell recommended a solution to the problem. He suggested that the professors notify the Registrar when any student was absent for three weeks. He stated that it should be up to the individual instructor to decide if a student should get an F for being absent for three weeks. He stated that some students were able to be absent for long periods of time and still succeed in the course. Upon Mr. Cetwinski’s concern about what other schools think of us academically if we maintain a liberal W policy Mr. Girard stated that he felt that the W would eventually become equated with failure by many persons not on the campus just as, when D was the grade for pass-fail, many schools began to look at our pass grade as a D. Dean Helgeson moved (Mr. Helgeson, Mr. White) that the policy be returned to committee.

Mr. Champagne urged the Senate to vote to return the measure to the committee. The motion was returned to committee on a roll call vote, 28 for; 10 against; I present; I abstain.

2. Election of Members to the Selection Committee for the Dean of Student Affairs.

Mr. McConnell reported on the nominees from the Student Association. They were: Bart Elliott, Carol Floros, Margaret Morton, Al Phillips, Mike Schermer, Jerome Shogbon, Barb Suhr, Tom Walter. He stated that all the nominees had been contacted and had indicated a willingness to serve. Mr. McConnell then explained briefly the background of the various nominees. Julie McMillan was nominated from the floor. A motion (Mr. Madore, Mr. Cetwinski) to close nominations was approved unanimously.

While balloting was continuing, the Senate moved to the election of faculty members for the committee. Nominations from the floor were Al Milliren, Brigitta Kuhn, Dorothy Quisenberry, and Elizabeth McMahan. A motion (Mr. Madore, Mr. Stoner) to close nominations was approved unanimously.

3. Election of a Student Member of the Executive Committee.

While balloting was continuing for the previous two elections, the Senate moved
to the election of a student member of the Executive Committee. The nominating ballot was distributed.

While the ballots were being tallied, the Chairman announced the results of the election for the student members of the Selection Committee for the Dean of Student Affairs. The members are: Carol Floros, Margaret Morton, Mike Schermer, and Julie McMillan.

4. Appointment to the Committee on Constitutional and Governance Review.

The Chairman announced that John Boaz was on leave and had been a member of the CCGR. The CCGR has asked for a replacement, recommending for the position Mr. Tom Eimermann who has been working with the committee as Executive Secretary since the Committee's inception. Mr. Budig nominated Mr. Eimermann. The motion (Mr. Madore, Mr. Smith) to close nominations was approved. With a single nomination the Senate gave unanimous approval to the appointment of Mr. Eimermann to the CCGR.

INFORMATION ITEMS


The Chairman asked leave to move to the information items while the election results were being tallied.

The Chairman asked Dean Rives to introduce William Woodson, the Chairman of the Curriculum Committee, who then gave a report for the committee. Ms. McMillan raised a question about those students in transition during this period of changing credit hours. Dean Helgeson assured her that such changes would be made as smoothly as possible.

(The results of the elections were announced. One faculty member was elected to the Selection Committee - Elizabeth McMahan. A tie for the second position necessitated a runoff election between Al Milliren and Brigitta Kuhn. Two students were nominated for the Executive Committee, Nick Cetwinski and Andy Wissmiller. Further balloting ensued.)

2. Communication from Dean Rives on the Academic Plan.

The Chairman called upon Dean Rives for a communication on the Academic Plan. Dean Rives reported on the extensive revision of the mission of the University in the Plan. This revision came out of the Academic Planning Committee and had been submitted to the colleges and departments for further revisions. The statement of the five collegiate missions was a new part of the Academic Plan, with each college developing its own academic plan for the college. Another part of the Academic Plan consists of new and expanded programs which the University hopes to develop in the next five years. Dean Rives noted that there was a significant difference in the sense that the new and expanded programs would become a part of the budgeting process. Thus the Academic Plan becomes a preliminary statement.
to the Board about what budgetary requests will be coming to the Board in the future. Another part of the Plan consists of statements from units of the University other than academic departments with plans for the future. Such units are the Library, the University Union/Auditorium. Appendix A consists of a statistical analysis. Appendix B is another development and consists of a response to the Board of Regents' request that the University review thirteen existing programs. The program units developed these statements.

Dean Rives announced that in addition to all Academic Senators copies of the Academic Plan were available from the college and departmental offices for members of the University community to read. Dean Rives stressed that this is a preliminary document and not the final one. It is hoped that the Academic Plan be revised in time to present it to the March Board of Regents meeting which will be on this campus. Dean Rives acknowledged at this time the editorial assistance of Dr. Dale Vetter.

It was reported that the Academic Plan has been referred to the Academic Affairs Committee and would be coming to the entire Senate on February 13 as an information item. Mr. Champagne reported that at 6:00 p.m. on February 6 the Academic Affairs Committee would hold an open hearing for all members of the University community. The location of this meeting will be announced later. The Chairman encouraged the Senators to attend this hearing so that their questions could be answered at that time.

(The Chairman announced that Brigitta Kuhn was elected as a faculty member of the Selection Committee. A tie was announced in the balloting for a student member of the Executive Committee. Another vote was taken for the ExComm position.)

3. Proposed change in the ByLaws of the Academic Senate.

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A motion (Mr. Roderick, Mr. Morris) to suspend the rules in order to consider as an information item the proposed change in the Bylaws of the Academic Senate passed unanimously. The proposed change deals with the date of the election. See appendix D.

4. Deletion of the B.S. in Ed. Degree in Certain Departments.

V, 53

A motion (Mr. Champagne, Mr. Cetwinski) to suspend the rules to consider the Deletion of the B.S. in Ed. degree in certain departments was approved. Appendix E.

5. Date of Election

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A motion (Mr. Roderick, Mr. Kachur) to suspend the rules to consider a motion on the date of the election passed unanimously. A motion (Mr. Roderick, Ms. Amster) to set the date of the election on February 27, 1974, unless the Bylaw change fails; in that event to have the election on March 6, 1974 was approved.
COMMITTEE REPORTS

Student Affairs Committee - Mr. Cetwinski introduced the proposed union board codification proposal. He asked that it be an action item at the next meeting after it had been approved by the Rules Committee. Mr. McConnell stated that it was his intention to purpose an amendment to the codification that no employee of the University Union shall be on the Union Board. See Appendix F.

Mr. Cetwinski introduced a resolution on the Dissolution of the Housing Committee. Mr. Cetwinski asked that this resolution be adopted. The resolution was designed because the Housing Committee has itself recommended dissolution. As stated in the resolution, the University no longer has any ties with off-campus housing. The University Housing Office is working with the Married Students Council and with various other groups. Mr. Cetwinski stated that the Association of Residence Halls had expressed a willingness to establish some kind of stewardship with the Student Affairs Committee. Mr. Cetwinski stressed that this resolution is not dissolving the Housing Committee and replacing it with the ARH. Dissolving the Housing Committee would help streamline the committee structure. Mr. Cetwinski stated that the people slated to be put on the Housing Committee were asking him about the status of their appointments. A motion (Mr. Cetwinski, Mr. Smith) to suspend the rules in order to act on this resolution was made. Mr. Hicklin stated that he would have to vote against this suspension. He stated that the Senate is a deliberative body and walk-in items are not acted on in the same meeting that they are introduced. The motion to suspend the rules was defeated on a voice vote. Mr. Mead suggested that an opinion from the Housing Office be available by the next meeting on this subject. See Appendix G for this resolution.

(The Chairman announced that Mr. Wissmiller had been elected to serve on the Executive Committee.)

Faculty Affairs Committee - Mr. Madore gave a brief report from the Faculty Affairs Committee. The committee at its last meeting considered the overlapping functions of the Ethics, Grievance, and Academic Freedom and Tenure committees. The Committee also considered changes in the APT-FSC procedures and decided not to push for changes at this time. Mr. Madore stated that the Committee also considered the status of temporary faculty members. Recommendations will be coming to the Senate at a later date on these topics.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman read a letter from the Illinois Association of Higher Education, Illinois State University Chapter, which will be considered by the ExComm and referred to the proper committee. The letter deals with the manner in which the money for salary adjustments should be used.

Mr. Roderick reported that the Elections Committee had completed reapportionment. The College of Applied Science and Technology received an additional seat on the
Senate because of reapportionment as did the College of Arts and Sciences. The College of Education lost two seats.

A motion (Ms. McMillan, Mr. Stoner) to adjourn was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m. to an executive session of the faculty members of the Senate to consider the election of a University Professor.

For the Academic Senate,

Charles R. Hicklin, Secretary

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Appendix A

In Memoriam

The Academic Senate of Illinois State University acknowledges with regret the death of Max L. Honn on December 8, 1973.

During the 41 years of service to this University, Max Honn served in a dual role as Assistant Director of the University Press and also as Assistant Professor of Industrial Technology. During his last three years of service at I.S.U., Max Honn worked in the Academic Advisement Services office.

Mr. Honn will probably best be remembered for two significant contributions. The first was his ability to relate to all students, especially those students with academic or personal problems. Max Honn was concerned with the welfare of each student as a unique individual. As a result, he was able to inspire and motivate students toward self-improvement.

The second contribution was his professional service to curriculum committees at the department, college, and university level. He gave unselfishly of his time and talent to improve the total curriculum at I.S.U.

In 1955, Max Honn suffered a severe heart attack. During the following 18 years he learned to discipline his life, knowing that each day might be his last. During this period, he never lost his enthusiasm or sense of humor. Even though Max Honn enjoyed but a few months of retirement since leaving the University in August of 1973, his colleagues believed he achieved the objective most every person seeks during their lifetime, "The Good Life".
IN MEMORIAM

The Academic Senate of Illinois State University acknowledges with regret the death of Professor Robert Webster Small.

Mr. Small left his mark on the people with whom he came into contact. He was a dedicated debater, one who wanted to explore different issues of art, education, government, as well as his favorite sport – hockey – over a cup of tea or while he smoked his favorite pipe. He gave no quarter during his debates and asked none – and respected those individuals who would climb into his ring to verbally "fight-it-out."

The tragedy of life is that many times it comes to an end too soon for some men and women who are just realizing their potential and starting to make peace with themselves. Mr. Small was just beginning to put his life together and his personal philosophy of life was finally beginning to make sense to him. He enjoyed his work here, and was respected as a brilliant teacher by his students and fellow faculty members.

Even though his academic career was tragically brief, his students and colleagues alike gratefully acknowledge the enrichment experienced in their lives during the time they were privileged to know Professor Small.
Members of the Academic Senate
Illinois State University

Dear Colleagues:

In compliance with the Procedures and Policies for Selection of the Dean of Student Services, adopted by the Academic Senate in January of 1971, we are designating Professor Coenraad Mohr as chairman of the committee and Dr. Robert McAdam as the administrative representative. Both have agreed to serve.

It should be noted that the two representatives from the area of Student Services will be elected later this week according to established procedures and policies.

We hope that the committee can initiate its deliberations sometime next week.

Respectfully,

Gene A. Budig

Gene A. Budig
Dr. Charles Edwards, Chairman  
Academic Senate  
Illinois State University

Dear Dr. Edwards:

There are currently five vacancies on the Council for Teacher Education which it is my duty to fill by appointment after consultation with the collegiate deans and with confirmation by the Academic Senate. I am, therefore, nominating the following people to represent the areas indicated.

- Dr. Charles Gray - Social Sciences
- Dr. Phares O'Daffer - Sciences and Mathematics
- Dr. Barry Moore - Humanities
- Dr. Dean Blomgren
- Dr. Warren Perry - Applied Areas

I submit these names to the Senate for confirmation in keeping with the usual procedures on such matters.

I should point out that an additional member for the Teacher Education Council is to be elected by the Senate at large.

All of the above members would serve, as I understand it, for a three-year term.

Sincerely yours,

Arlan C. Helgeson  
Acting Vice President and  
Dean of the University

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PROPOSED CHANGE FOR SECTIONS 4.1 AND 4.3 OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE BYLAWS

Change 4.1d, second sentence, to read:

The subsequent election shall be in March 1972, and all succeeding annual elections shall normally be held on the last Wednesday in February.* The Academic Senate shall by a 2/3 majority alter the date in the case that the last Wednesday in February is not available.

Delete the second sentence of 4.1d.

Change 4.3a, second sentence to read:

The subsequent election shall be in March 1972, and all succeeding annual elections shall normally be held on the last Wednesday in February.* The Academic Senate shall by a 2/3 majority alter the date in the case that the last Wednesday in February is not available.

Delete the second sentence of 4.3a.

*For the years 1972 and 1973, elections were held in March.

Moved to promulgation stage by Senate action
January 16, 1974

Dr. Charles Edwards  
Chairman, Academic Senate

Dear Dr. Edwards:

The Academic Affairs Committee at its last meeting before the holiday break considered a request from Dean Stan Rives that the B.S. in Ed. degree be terminated for Chemistry, English, History, Mathematics, Political Science, and Psychology. As Dean Rives indicated in his letter of November 28 and discussed with the Committee, the University Curriculum Committee carefully examined the matter, and the faculties of the departments concerned approved termination of the B.S. in Ed as that degree applied to their fields of study. The Academic Affairs Committee, therefore, recommends that the Executive Committee include Dean Rives' request as an "information item" on the agenda of the next Senate meeting.

Attached is a copy of Dean Rives' letter which perhaps could be included in materials sent to senators.

Sincerely,

Roger J. Champagne  
Chairman, Academic Affairs