ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

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Adjournment

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 meeting was called to order in 401 Stevenson at 8:10 p.m. by Chairperson Quane.

Roll Call

The Secretary called the roll, and a quorum was declared to be present.

Seating of Senators

Mr. Quane announced that the results of the election for graduate student senators were in. He first announced that Bernard Bernardi was elected to fill the unfilled position on the Senate. The vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Sawicki was filled by David Vandervort on motion (Cohen, Sullivan). Mr. Quane welcomed the two to the Senate.

Chairperson's Remarks

Mr. Quane announced that the next meeting will be on May 14. He stated that he realized that it was a bad time for a meeting. He stated that the decision was made to limit the time for the meeting to two hours with adjournment promptly at 9:00 p.m.

Mr. Quane discussed the summer meeting schedule. He stated that he had asked how many students would not be in town this summer at a meeting he had yesterday with student senators. He stated that five of the twelve senators present will be in town. Ms. Stone commented on scheduling of summer meetings. She stated that by having Wednesday meetings the Senate is locking out some senators from participation. She stated that this was denying them the privileges of a senator. Mr. Quane asked if people have suggestions for summer meetings to communicate them to the Executive Committee. He stated that at the next Executive Committee meeting the Committee will set the summer schedule.

Administrator's Remarks

None

Student Association President's Remarks

None

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Deletion of 12 B.S. in Education Degrees

Ms. Chesebro reported that after due deliberation by the Academic Affairs Committee the Committee had forwarded all proposals with the recommendation of "do pass."
VI, 152 A motion (Newman, Gordon) that the 12 B. S. in Education degrees be deleted was approved.

2. Early Childhood Education Major and Minor

VI, 153 A motion (Rhodes, Rex) that the major and minor in Early Childhood Education be approved was made. Mr. Slan was present to discuss the proposal. The questions raised about the proposal can be summarized as follows:

1. The objection of OSPI to dual certification
2. The difference between entitlement and certification by transcript
3. Restriction of minors to certain areas
4. Overlapping requirements into University Studies
5. Lack of training in motor development

Ms. Chesebro mentioned that Mr. Talkington had said that his questions on the proposal had been allayed and the proposal does have his support.

Responses to the above questions were given. The responses can be summarized as follows:

1. A person can get certified by either entitlement or by transcript evaluation by OSPI. Students could take courses and request OSPI for certification by transcript rather than by entitlement as majors or minors.
2. Minors were restricted to avoid irrelevant combinations. Other fields can qualify for the minor, e.g. art education.
3. Overlapping requirements due to state certification requirements and desire to keep size of major manageable. This is also reason why areas like motor development are not included.

The motion passed.

3. Social Work Major

VI, 154 A motion (Gordon, Rhodes) to approve the major in social work was made. Mr. Moran and Mr. Shimer were present to respond to questions on the proposal. The motion was approved.

4. Legal Studies Major and Minor

Mr. Jabker was present to discuss the proposal. It was stated that this program did receive unanimous recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee. A motion (Sullivan, Carroll) that the Legal Studies Major be adopted was made. It was pointed out that the catalog description was changed to show that this program is not appropriate for pre-law students. Mr. Madore asked what the significance of the statement that no teacher education program was offered was. Mr. Jabker stated that this is a traditional statement when there is no teacher education program offered; it is simply a disclaimer. The question was called for. The motion to approve the program in Legal Studies was approved.
5. Comprehensive Major, Major, and Minor in Applied Computer Science

Mr. Parr stated that the additional sheet distributed tonight is intended to supplement the material previously handed out. The Academic Affairs Committee unanimously recommended that this program be approved. A motion (Parr, Brubeck) that the Senate approved the Applied Computer Sciences proposal was made. A question was raised about the lack of specific courses in the proposal. Mr. Parr stated that the Academic Affairs Committee did deal with that. He stated that the proposal would be immediately implemented as soon as they can agree on enough courses to begin the program. The University Curriculum Committee will o.k. it; they will not o.k. it until that is done. The University Curriculum Committee will be in charge of determining that courses will be feasible. In essence the motion to approve is for the concept of the courses. Specifics will be handled by the University Curriculum Committee. Ms. Chesebro stated that the program may not be ready to go in 1976-77. It all depends on cooperating departments. Some members of the advisory committee are more optimistic. Mr. Boldt asked about the guidelines recommended or established for courses that will be offered. It was answered that the guidelines are up to the University Curriculum Committee. We do have some understanding of how they will operate. A question was raised about the criteria we are going to ask them to use. A question also arose about when the program would be put into effect. It was stated that as soon as the Advisory Committee gets together a large enough bunch of courses that a reasonable number of students could obtain their goals it would be implemented. They would add more kinds of students as they could. The motion to approve the major was approved.

6. Individualized Contract Major and Minor

Mr. Cohen reported on a correction in the major. A motion (Cohen, Young) to adopt the program as corrected was approved.

7. Retirement System Funding Resolution

Mr. Smith stated that the handout explains the resolution. It is a repeat request for approval of a resolution the Senate passed last year. A motion (Smith, Madore) to pass the resolution was made.

Resolution

The Academic Senate of Illinois State University strongly endorses the plan for gradually increasing the level of funding of the SURS as recommended by the Pension Laws Commission. Further, the Academic Senate urges representatives from the 44th legislative district to implement the funding plan proposed by the Pension Laws Commission.

A motion (Parr, Wilson) to amend the main motion to read "urges members of the state legislature..." was made. The motion to amend failed.

A motion (Gordon, Madore) to amend the main motion to include the phrase "and the Governor" after the word "district" was made. The motion to amend passed.
The main motion as amended passed with the instruction that the resolution was being sent at private expense.

8. Committee Appointments

Mr. Quane stated that the appointments to the General Revenue Budget Advisory Committee should be deleted from the list. Mr. Quane stated that the remaining appointments will be brought forth at the next meeting.

A motion (Cohen, Reitan) to approve the committee appointments as presented was made. Mr. Quane stated that he had failed to add the names for Forum Committee. The makers of the motion approved the addition of these names to the list of appointments covered in their motion. The motion was approved.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Escalation Clause for Retirement Annuity

Mr. Smith stated that this request had been received from the Economic Well-Being Committee. The request is for more money to take care of inflation. Presently annuitants receive a 2% annual cost of living adjustment. This obviously is very small compared to actual inflation rate. Fixed income people have trouble making ends meet. Mr. Smith stated he would like the Senate to take action on this. Mr. Madore stated that this is one of the kinds of issues that you have to present many, many times. This issue will not be settled quickly and will come up again.

2. Summer School Program Recommendations

Ms. Stone reported that the Administrative Affairs Committee was asked to investigate an appropriate summer school schedule. In essence, the committee's recommendation will leave the schedule the same as it is now. This means that pre-session could be 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 week classes; the eight-week session would be divided into 4 and 4.

Various questions were raised. The questions can be summarized as follows:

1. Reason for the relatively late start in June for the eight week session leaving little time between terms in August
2. Results of the questionnaire circulated by the Administrative Affairs Committee
3. Summer should be time for experimentation
4. Contingency courses are unprofessional. Why isn't budget status the same for all courses?
5. Reason for the study of tuition and fee elimination for the summer sessions
6. Mr. Girard of the Admissions Office has some innovative ideas concerning the summer term
7. What is the status of the Administrative Affairs Committee report?

Responses to each of the questions and issues were presented. These can be summarized as follows:
1. The present 5-8 week schedule allows for all combinations. Either 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 and 8 week scheduling; 4-4-4 week scheduling; etc. The summer terms should be compatible with the Chicago school closing.

2. The questionnaire showed a predominant preference for 4-4-4 week sessions. The present 5-8 week session is compatible with this plan.

3. Budgetary considerations aren't the only consideration in scheduling. Efficient use of faculty is also important.

4. Tuition and fee elimination would increase summer enrollment. The physical facilities need to be maintained anyway.

5. Mr. Girard did appear before the Administrative Affairs Committee. His proposals basically are to have a completely open registration every Monday during the 12 week summer term.

6. The Administrative Affairs Committee would like to have the recommendations on the record. Removal of the item from the Senate calendar and endorsement of the recommendations would be appropriate Senate action.

3. University Bicycle Committee Codification

Mr. Reitan reported on this proposal for the Rules Committee. He outlined the long history of the bicycle problem going back to the University Council. He also mentioned that Normal and the University were ready to cooperate.

The issues raised concerning this proposal are summarized below:

1. Relationship of Bike Committee to Parking Committee
2. Disposition of recommendations should include Senate
3. Role of ticketing and registration with regard to bikes
4. Role of non-voting town representative
5. Placement under internal standing committee structure of Senate.

Responses were made to each of the issues as follows:

1. The Bike Committee should be separate from Parking to enable it to function effectively.
2. The Secretary of the University is the responsible officer for the bicycle regulations. The Bike Committee would report to the Senate, Student Association, etc.
3. Ticketing and registration of bikes would be part of the committee's duties.
4. The non-voting town representative was not precluded from being chairperson but probably would not be so elected. The town representative could also be a member of the University community.
5. Rules Committee should make a recommendation as to the placement of the Bike Committee under the internal standing committee structure of the Senate.

VI, 162 A motion (Chesebro, Brubeck) to suspend the rules in order to vote on the codification of the Bike Committee failed on a voice vote.
4. Guidelines for Selection of Honorary Degree Recipients

Ms. Stone reported that the Administrative Affairs Committee was asked to look over the guidelines for the selection of recipients of honorary degrees. Ms. Stone summarized the changes in the policy recommended by the Administrative Affairs Committee.

Several questions were raised concerning the proposal as follows:

1. The ISU policy on honorary degree recipients cannot be in conflict with the Board of Regents policy.
2. Restrictions on recipients to natives of Illinois
3. Elimination of prohibition against public officials results in possible conflict of interest.
4. Removal of chairperson of Faculty Status Committee from the selection committee for recipients of honorary degrees.

Responses were given to each of the questions and issues raised:

1. The ISU policy is not in conflict with Board policy in the exclusion of public officials. The Board policy simply adds additional restrictions.
2. Restrictions to people having a relationship to Illinois and ISU exists because many universities are much too liberal in the granting of honorary degrees.
3. The chairperson of the Faculty Status Committee was removed because the selection of honorary recipients was far removed from FSC duties and the duties of the chairperson were very heavy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Affairs Committee - Ms. Chesbro stated that the committee is working on two more items. Next Thursday, May 8, Schroeder 219, the committee will investigate the proposal to move Corrections program to a department; at 4:30 the committee will work on the CTE recommendation requirements.

Administrative Affairs Committee - Ms. Stone stated that suggestions given the committee on summer school will be discussed of May 5, 7:30 p.m., Stevenson 430.

Faculty Affairs Committee - Mr. Smith reported that the committee spent two hours in study and work session incorporating changes from Dean Helgeson and Mr. Goleash to the financial exigency plan. He asked the committee to meet at 6:15 p.m. before the next Senate meeting; some small items of business can be taken care of then.

Student Affairs Committee - Mr. Long reported that the Entertainment Committee had asked that their membership be reduced in size and also that their appointments be approved. He asked that this be scheduled as an action item for the May 16 meeting.
VI, 163

A motion (Madore, Corrigan) to adjourn was approved.

For the Academic Senate,

Robert D. Young, Secretary

Rules Committee - Mr. Reitan stated that he would like to present one item as information tonight. Several weeks ago the Senate instructed the Rules Committee to provide for the seating of a civil service representative on JUAC. He said the Rules Committee has prepared an amendment which would have the Academic Senate elect three faculty, one student. The additional seat would be filled by a civil service representative to be selected by the Civil Service Council from its membership. Mr. Reitan asked for permission to schedule this as an action item for the next meeting.

Mr. Quane stated that the constitutional amendment would be distributed to the entire University as provided for in the Constitution.

Executive Committee - Mr. Hanrath reported for the Executive Committee. He stated that Bessie Hackett and Willard Moonan were named to the University Development Committee; Pat Tarrant was named to serve on the Merit Awards Selection Committee.
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