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ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES
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Call to Order

Vice Chairperson Carlile, acting in the absence of Chairperson Cohen, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in Stevenson 401.

Roll Call

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

Approval of Minutes

VII, 199

A motion (Quane, Tuggle) to approve the minutes of June 23 as distributed was approved.

Chairperson's Remarks

Mr. Carlile welcomed the guests to the Academic Senate meeting. He thanked the Academic Senate for the opportunity to chair the meeting.

Administrators' Remarks

President Budig read the following statement into the record:

It is most unfortunate that the State of Illinois has not provided sufficient funds to compensate adequately some of its most deserving citizens for the services they render. It is particularly unfortunate that the Governor, by amendatory veto, reduced the amount approved by the General Assembly for modest salary increases for faculty and staff. The level approved by the General Assembly even before the Governor's reduction, would not have permitted increases commensurate with higher costs of living still being experienced.

In order to maintain and promote educational quality, Illinois State University must continue its efforts to secure funding more nearly adequate to support its wide range of educational services to the people of Illinois.

Provost Horner added his disappointment over the resultant appropriation, and over the fact that the State of Illinois has given the smallest proportionate increase in the recent history of the State. This reduction will have an impact in all areas. It is going to be a tough year. Provost Horner stated that faculty staffing will continue as planned. In terms of salary increases, administrative and professional employees are provided 2.5% in the state appropriation. However, the University will be able to generate additional funds for a total increase of 3.1%. For civil service employees the appropriation bill provides 2.5% with an additional 2% for

lower paid employees. The University will also make an attempt to generate more funds for civil service salaries. The principal reason the University is able to do this is the mild winter which allowed utility costs lower than anticipated and a lower rate of expenditure than expected. Even making the best of this, however, it is going to be a very bad year.

Student Association President's Remarks

Mr. Tuggle had no remarks.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Election of Two Members to the Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee

Joseph Honan, Political Science, and T. C. Ichniowski, Chemistry, were elected to the Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee from a slate of thirteen nominees.

2. Frisch Motion re Parking Committee Codification

VII, 200

A motion (Frisch, Merriman) was made to remove from the table and approve the Frisch amendment to the Parking Appeals Board codification. The Frisch amendment would strike the last line of the second paragraph which reads: "Representation from at least two of the three constituency groups must be present before hearings will be conducted" and substitute the following: "If all three constituencies are represented on the Parking Appeals Board, and one member constituency is not present at the appeals hearing, then the person appealing may have the option to postpone the hearing until a representative of all three constituency groups is present." This wording was arrived at after considerable discussion, several "friendly" amendments, and one withdrawn motion to recommit the amendment to the Administrative Affairs Committee.

Proponents of the amendment essentially argued: 1) It is important to have representatives of the three constituencies (student, faculty, and civil service) present at an appeals hearing, if the appellant so requests, both for the sake and appearance of fairness; 2) Not every appeals hearing need have all three constituencies represented, but only if the person appealing so requests; 3) Due process is more important than haste in dealing with appeals; and 4) Parking Appeals Board members who fail to attend appeals hearings should be replaced.

Opponents of the amendments essentially argued: 1) Representatives of two of the three constituencies can render a fair decision. The amendment assumes incorrectly that student members always side with students, faculty with faculty, and civil service with civil service; 2) It is difficult and sometimes impossible to get all three constituency representatives to be present. Out of seven appeals meetings in the spring semester, students were present only three times. It would be difficult to fill student vacancies in the summer. The backlog of pending appeals is thirty-two; 3) It is a system open to abuse, and would create more problems than it would solve.

The amendment was defeated on a voice vote.

Ms. Lohr stated that when the Senate voted on the recodification, a sentence was left out of the final version. This sentence reads: "The decision of the Appeals Board will be the final judgment of the violation."

Mr. Gordon raised a question about the source of function #4 in the codification. Ms. Lohr replied that the Administrative Affairs Committee had added that function to the codification proposed by the Parking Committee.

3. Faculty Affairs Committee Resolution re Establishment of Ad Hoc Committee to Recodify Ethics and Faculty Grievance Committees

VII, 201

A motion (Wilson, Budig) to adopt the committee's resolution was made. A question was asked as to what date was referred to in the resolution regarding the postponement of new ethics cases. The Chair replied that July 14 would be the effective date if this resolution is approved. Mr. Reitan stated that he thought this was a good suggestion. He stated that he was always confused about what these two committees did. It is logical to put them together.

The motion to adopt the resolution of the Faculty Affairs Committee was approved.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Communications

Mr. Carlile stated that the next Executive Committee would be held on Wednesday, August 18, probably at 5:00 p.m. The next Senate meeting will be Wednesday, August 25 at 7:00 p.m. in Stevenson 401.

Adjournment

VII, 202

A motion (Cardot, Lohr) to adjourn was approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

For the Academic Senate,

Lance Carlile, Vice Chairperson
John K. Boaz, Secretary

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