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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.

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The meeting of the Academic Senate was called to order by Chairperson Cohen at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

The roll was called by Secretary Kohn and a quorum was declared present.

Approval of Minutes of January 30, 1980

Secretary Kohn suggested that since the minutes of January 30 were just distributed this evening, we should postpone the approval until the next meeting.

Chairperson's Remarks

Mr. Cohen announced that the business calendar for the Senate needed to be cleaned up. The chairpersons of the internal committees should review the business calendar and any business that had already been taken care of should be taken off the calendar as soon as possible.

Vice-Chairperson's Remarks

There were no remarks.

Administrators' Remarks

President Watkins commented that during the last several weeks much had been said about the nature of shared governance. He read the following statement:

"A comment on shared governance is in order. During the past two weeks, I have seen analyses which indicate that shared governance somehow equates with total acceptance of the position of a person or group, followed by the complaint that, absent that acceptance, shared governance is a 'farce.'

Shared governance implies input capability, not mandated acceptance of that input. With regard to the alcohol policy for the residence halls, there was a great deal of input. The policy alternatives ranged all the way from no alcohol on campus at all, to the position favored by some student groups of allowing anyone of legal age to drink in their rooms, wherever those rooms might be. During the Fall, I received several letters on the subject, and at least two students advocated a plan which was exactly what has been adopted, fearing that a total ban on use of alcohol on campus was likely.

The policy which was set forth is not precisely the policy advocated by any one group. It is a policy which will enable those 21 years of age or older to choose, if they wish, to live in an area where they may consume alcoholic beverages in their room. Life is, of course, a series of choices, and students of legal age must make this one. It is a policy which ORL feels it can live with, although

ORL would have liked the policy a bit more restrictive.

Student leaders chose to ask that the policy be reviewed, with a view toward changing it, by the Board of Regents. This is fine, and I certainly have no complaints regarding this, although I might have been apprised of this thrust before I left town for the Board meeting. The Board of Regents did not agree with the position as outlined by the Student Regent, although the position was presented fairly, effectively, and courteously by Mr. Conlon.

That represents the legitimate end of the line. Suggestions made publicly that the policy, thus reviewed and upheld, be ignored, are irresponsible. There is no other word for it, and that word has been used by other than faculty and administration to describe such suggestions. Suggestions that a regulation with which one disagrees simply be ignored do damage to the concept of governance, and to the concept of shared governance in particular. I have read all the rationalizations. I submit that they will have little influence on reestablishing a basis of trust."

Ms. Voorhees commented that when she and the vice president of the Student Association took office they recognized the serious problem of the credibility of the student leaders on campus. Perhaps some of her comments might have angered some of the faculty members on the Senate in the past, but she truly felt that she was stating the feelings of the students on campus and that the interest of the students, although asked for input, had not been upheld by the administration and the Normal Town Council on the matter of the alcohol policy. She hoped this situation regarding the liaison between Mr. Gamsky's office and the student leaders could be resolved.

ACTION ITEMS:

Army ROTC Extension Program at Illinois State University

Mr. Morrison announced that the committee was not yet ready to make a formal proposal on the revisions and that more information was needed. Open hearings would be held on Monday, February 18, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m., and on Tuesday, February 19, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Hovey 418. A motion (Morrison/Maddox) to postpone the Army ROTC item until the next Senate meeting of February 27, 1980 was made and approved.

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Modifications in the Registration Process of Student Organizations*

Mr. Turnbull, Chairperson of the Student Affairs Committee, presented this proposal. A motion (Turnbull/Schechtman) to accept the Registration Process for Student Organizations was made. Mike Schermer, Director of Student Activities, was introduced. In answer to a question by Mr. Schmaltz, he explained that newly formed student organizations would have use of certain campus facilities free of charge, i.e., printing, office space, space for meeting rooms, etc. He recommended adoption of the following wording: "The organization must have at least one University Advisor and/or Fiscal Agent who is a faculty member or administrator employed by the University. The purpose of the University Advisor is to consult with the organization leadership on matters related to group maintenance, activities, and programs." A motion (Schmaltz/Friedhoff) to reinstate this change was made. Mr. Fulton commented on the difficulties of a new student organization in trying to get a fast start and being unable to find a fiscal agent or advisor. Mr. Schermer

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thought we might easily create a pool of faculty members who might be willing to serve as advisors to organizations. Mr. Henrikson spoke in opposition to the amendment, as faculty advisors would inhibit the students in their organizations. Mr. Kirk felt that the students had a real need for faculty help and assistance in this area. Mr. Morrison suggested inserting "within 60 days of its initiation" between "have" and "at" in the first line and this was accepted. Mr. Conlon moved the previous question, seconded by Mr. Morrison. This passed. The amendment was passed by a roll call vote of 28 yes, 14 no, 1 abstention, and the original motion was then adopted by a voice vote.

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INFORMATION ITEMS:

Athletic Council Modifications

Mr. Turnbull, Chairperson of Student Affairs Committee, presented the proposal on behalf of his committee. There was only brief discussion.

Student Evaluation of Instruction

Mr. Barton commented that the committee had studied all the information that had been gathered on this item. Mr. Hirt asked what was done with the evaluation after the student filled out the form, and also whether the committee had considered a composite comparison. Mr. Friedhoff brought up the right to privacy in regard to these evaluations. Mr. Hicklin explained that this evaluation was in the BOR policy and we were simply trying to set up some kind of guidelines for a process that was required each year. Mr. Friedberg mentioned that faculty would rather have personal evaluations than the Obscan evaluations. Mr. Kohn suggested that the process of evaluating the faculty should be left up to each department. Student evaluations were the only occasion where an individual who might be attacked was not allowed to face his/her accuser. In his department faculty had access to the printouts but only after the grades were handed in. Mr. Grever remarked that this was an information item and that the committee regarded it a working paper that was in the process of being drafted. Mr. Miller said that some members had hounded the committee to get this item going. Mr. Hicklin said he wanted faculty to know that this is not a new item. Mr. Friedberg explained that the rules of the Board of Regents provided for student input. A motion (Grever/Friedberg) to recommit until after hearings had been held was made and passed.

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Campus Recreation Fee

Mr. Tuttle explained this is a rather complex issue which the committee had been studying since last Fall. Mr. Fred, Campus Recreation, commented that several sources of funding were used for the facilities at campus recreation and that the largest source of funding was from student fees. Mr. Hirt inquired about recreation facilities if the faculty were no longer using them and wondered about the cost of these facilities. There was further discussions about availability of recreational facilities to faculty and what cost, if any, should be borne by faculty members. It was suggested that open hearings be held at dates to be announced later.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Adjournment

A motion (Madore/Ginnis) to adjourn was made and passed at 10:10 p.m.

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For the Academic Senate,

Walter Kohn, Secretary

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NAME	ATTEN-DANCE	VOTE							VOICE VOTE		
		Motion # 84	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion No.	Y	N
Barton	P	Y							82	x	
Belshe	P	Y							83	x	
Boaz	P	N							84	rc	
Boothe	P	Y							85	x	
Brown	P	N							86	x	
Coats	P	Y							87	x	
Cohen	P	N									
Conlon	P	Y									
Filer	P	N									
Friedberg	P	Y									
Friedhoff	P	Y									
Fulton	P	N									
Gamsky	ex.										
Ginnis	P	N									
Grever	P	Y									
Gschwendtner	P	N									
Hemenway	A	Y									
Henriksen	P	N									
Hicklin	P	Y									
Hirt	P	Y									
Jackson	P	N									
Kern	P	Y									
Kirk	P	Y									
Koehler	P	Y									
Kohn	P	Y									
Koulos	A										
Lee	P	ab.									
Maddox	P										
Madore	P	Y									
McCarthy	P	Y									
Miller	P	Y									
Morrison	P	Y									
Price	A										
Raus	P	Y									
Ritch	ex.										
Romeo	A										
Rosenbaum	P	Y									
Schechtman	A	N									
Schmaltz	P	Y									
Schwalm	p	Y									
Segler	P	N									
Shulman	P	Y									
Sims	ex.										
Turnbull	P	N									
Tuttle	P	Y									
Varner	P	Y									
Voorhees	P	N									
Watkins	P	Y									

Young P Y
 Zunker P N Y=Yes N=No P=Present

28 yes
 14 no
 1 abstention

MODIFICATIONS IN THE REGISTRATION PROCESS OF STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Item I: The organization must have within 60 days of its initiation at least one University Advisor and/or Fiscal Agent who is a faculty member or administrator employed by the University. The purpose of the University Advisor is to consult with the organization leadership on matters related to group maintenance, activities, and programs.

Item II. Responsibilities of President/Chairperson

1. To inform the members of the organization that they shall be responsible for conforming to all University, local community, state or federal laws and regulations. As President/Chairperson he/she may be responsible for the actions of the members of the organization.
2. To insure that the student fee funds allocated to the organization are expended appropriately. Funds may be revoked if there is a violation of University, community, state or federal laws or regulations.
3. President's/Chairperson's signature is required on any University facility request form.
4. To insure that payment is made for any University bill incurred by the organization and be held individually responsible for making payment.
5. To inform the SOAP Office of any changes in organization officers, advisor(s), and their addresses or phone numbers.

Item III. Suspension of Registered Student Organization Status

1. The following policy and administrative procedures have been specifically developed in order to identify the steps to be used for instances in which the suspension of an organization's registration status is to be considered or a complaint has been filed concerning a registered student organization.
2. The registered status of a student organization may be suspended through the following procedures:
 - a) Any complaint against a registered student organization shall be directed to the SOAP Office.
 - b) Any complaints received by the SOAP Office must be in writing and the author identified (at least in the complaint filed in writing, but not necessarily to the organization) prior to any formal action being undertaken by the SOAP staff.

- c) SOAP staff members will attempt to resolve the matter through informal means once a complaint has been received. The SOAP Office will attempt to contact the organization involved in order to facilitate a discussion regarding the complaint. If the organization fails to respond to a telephone or a letter inquiry, a certified or registered letter will be sent requesting a conference.
- d) If informal discussions fail to resolve the complaint and the SOAP Office determines that formal action should be pursued, the Director of the SOAP Office shall refer the matter to the Student Advisory Committee to the SOAP Office. The organization in question shall be notified by certified or registered mail of the referral.
- e) The Student Advisory Committee shall arrange for and conduct a hearing with the organization. All parties associated with the matter shall have an opportunity to make a presentation before the Student Advisory Committee.
- f) The Student Advisory Committee shall present a report outlining its finding and recommendations in the matter to the Director of the SOAP Office for consideration and possible formal action. The organization shall receive a copy of the Committee's report.
- g) On the basis of the report by the Student Advisory Committee, the Director of the SOAP Office may invoke a suspension of the organization's registration status for a specified period of time.
- h) The action by the Director of the SOAP Office may be appealed within ten (10) working days by the organization to the Vice President and Dean of Student Affairs.