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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.

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Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Secretary Kohn called the roll and announced that a quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes of September 17, 1980

XII-12 The minutes of the September 17, 1980, meeting were approved on a motion by Madore/Sam, with the following corrections: Student Association appointment to Honorary Degree Recipient Selection Committee should be Kim Catton (error appears twice). The motion passed on a voice vote.

Chairperson's Remarks

Mr. Cohen announced that the following persons had been invited by the Joint University Advisory Committee to participate in the October 25, 1980, Faculty/Board of Regents Retreat: Leonard Schmaltz, Iris Varner, John Brickell, and Keith Fred. He said there were copies of the results of the "think tank" available in the Senate Office for interested Senators. The publication, Illinois State University and the 1980's, is a compilation of papers generated in the Faculty and Instructional Development Program Seminar, Summer 1980.

Administrators' Remarks

President Watkins urged the Senators to look at the publication mentioned by Mr. Cohen. He spoke with high regard for last weekend's recognition of outstanding students, including Senator Zunker. The Bone Scholar Award exemplified in the best way what this university was all about. Regarding the International House, there will be accommodations made for the I-House residents if Fell Hall is closed. The university will maintain its commitment to I-House Programming.

Mr. Cohen noted that Senator Slotter was a Rhodes Scholar nominee.

Student Body President's Remarks

Mr. Henriksen reported that during the Student Association voter registration drive 2,000 plus students were registered--up 500 over last year. On September 24, the Student Assembly elections were held; a referendum for an increase in Student Legal Services fees was passed.

Mr. Henriksen read the following statement to the Senate:

Tonight, I feel a need to comment on the recent controversies between students and the Town of Normal.

Hopefully, my comments will clarify my stance for the entire University Community.

First of all, I would like to comment on the police situation.

The tactics of Chief McGuire's force this past weekend were indefensible. The riot gear and billy clubs that were evident at the parties this weekend provoked a negative and, I believe, justified reaction from students. Is it necessary to have eight squad wagons and a paddy-wagon pull up at a party to bust just six students? This overzealousness resulted in at least one confrontation between angry students and arrogant policemen. The incidents of this past weekend have created a climate of fear among partiers and non-partiers alike. In addition, the use of undercover agents while not legally entrapment, from an ethical standpoint, it is. Many residents have registered complaints regarding noise (which I believe the SA party patrol effectively dealt with) so why the need to look for trouble?

This singling out of students as a focus of law enforcement in this community is the result of an abuse of discretionary powers and selective law enforcement by students.

While I don't condone the breaking of laws by students (no matter how much we may disagree with the laws) I can't condone the actions of the Chief and his force this weekend.

My call for the resignation of the Police Chief is the result of tactics used by his force (including riot gear and undercover) but also the inflammatory language that he has used in the local media. For the last few years, the Chief has consistently been in the middle of any controversy between students and police. For many students, the Chief has become a symbol of repression for students and an obstacle to cooperation.

The problem in the community is one of attitudes--of students, police, and residents--all are at fault. Probably there is no single magical solution to the problems that we're experiencing.

In addition to the removal of Chief McGuire, I have also proposed the following three ideas:

1. Establishment of police-student commission (a) composed of students representing the Student Association, the Black Student Union, Greek Council, University personnel, city staff, and police; (b) charged with opening communication lines between students as well as promoting resources which deal more effectively with student party situations.
2. The Student Association will be facilitating a party education campaign to educate students on how to party legally--touching such areas as size of parties, dealing with underage drinkers, etc.
3. Continuation of party patrol instituted by SA this past weekend. (Background information on party patrol: police receive citizen complaint; this complaint is referred to SA to deal with; party

patrol has 20 minutes to deal with the problem before the police are called.)

These three ideas are all positive measures that we will be working on in the coming weeks. Above all else, I want to convey to you that what I want is cooperation, not confrontation.

The problems we are experiencing with the police is part of a larger problem--the treatment of students as second-class citizens in the community. Whether it's cashing a check, renting a place to live, or purchasing items at local businesses--students are faced with negative stigma of being students. Many feel alienated from police and community, resulting in the anger that we have seen this past weekend. I realize that this is not a new problem and one that I doubt will be completely resolved during my tenure as SA President.

However, we must begin to work together--students, town residents, and police, to address the concerns that have resurfaced in the past week.

One of my personal mottos has always been, "If you are not part of the solution, then you're part of the problem."

In the coming weeks, I firmly believe that I and other students will be part of the solution, but we need cooperation of everyone.

Mr. Hicklin asked if students were aware of a Board of Regents' policy (as stated on page 88 of the University Handbook, 1980-82) regarding students' responsibility to be good citizens, that they should obey national, state, and local laws, and must accept the consequences of disobedience. Mr. Henriksen responded that he was not advocating breaking the law and that his actions reflected concern of the students.

Mr. Watkins commented that Mr. Henriksen was emphasizing the importance of solution and resolution. De-escalation of rhetoric would be most helpful at this point. The SA had met and established contact--which was a constructive move. Mr. Henriksen had kept the President informed of his activities, activities which did not always have Mr. Watkins approval. This was a very complex issue, a matter of rights and responsibilities of both students and residents. Mutual coexistence was necessary--the alternative to amelioration was undesirable to all.

Vice-Chairperson's Remarks

Mr. Barton welcomed the new graduate student Senators to the table: Warren A. Metcalf, Corrections Department; Richard G. Murphy, Music Education. He spoke highly of the Bone Scholar event and read the names of those chosen for that honor: Beth DeBaillie, Jeff Kraft, Sandra Zunker, Mary Fagan, Donale Slome, Lori Smith, Anne Voiland, Beth Ellen Landes, and David Slimmer.

Mr. Cohen added his words of welcome to the two new Senators.

ACTION ITEM

External Committee Appointments

By vote of the Executive Committee, the external committee appointments were placed on the evening's agenda. Mr. Young said that the student appointments were forwarded to the Rules Committee following student-conducted screenings. On a motion by Mr. Young (seconded Ms. Goodin) the following committee appointments were approved on a voice vote, with Mr. Young noting that the SCERB alternate nomination, Dave Esser, would be forwarded to President Watkins for his appointment.

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Academic Planning

Kathy Bieschke
Beverly Schuetz

Library Committee

Carl Kates
Michael Zenker
Timothy E. Barber

University Curriculum Committee

Michelle Kofsky
Jean Pijan

Council on University Studies

Samuel W. Amuzu

Honors Council

Joe Frost

Facilities Planning Committee

Kevin Odenthal

Reinstatement Committee

Lori Haggerty
Ken Bieschke

INFORMATION ITEM

Use of Library Materials By Faculty*

Discussion of this item, which was begun at the previous meeting, was now continued.

Mr. Kraus, Director of University Libraries, and Mr. Moonan and Mr. Christensen, both members of the Library staff, were invited to the table. For the Faculty Affairs Committee, Mr. Woodson commented that the committee had been working on this matter for some time. In answer to a question by Mr. Madore, Mr. Cohen said that the Senate could act on the proposed policy, either endorsing or not endorsing the procedures. Mr. Kraus gave the following background information: The library sought to provide equal access for all. The problem with the non-return of books denied this access. Faculty had a responsibility to return books needed by someone else; the library had the authority to set procedures. There was a need to talk to a representative group to answer questions. The library had, in the past, maintained a laissez-faire policy; faculty could borrow books for a semester with the proviso that after two weeks of exclusive use, the book must be returned if requested. That arrangement was defensible but had worked less and less well over the years, resulting in denial of availability of books to all. Studies conducted in 1978 and 1979 by Mr. Moonan showed that two-thirds of the sample used in the study did not comply with the request to return overdue books needed by someone else. Fourteen other schools were contacted to see how they were handling similar problems. There were as many practices as there were schools, ranging from laissez-faire to threats of law suits in letters written by university attorneys. The University of Illinois was the closest to the proposed ISU policy. The University Library Committee came up with the

proposal now being offered (see appendix) and it was sent to the Senate last February, but was not worked on until the new Senate was seated in March. In addition, a \$110,000 grant to the Library from the Board of Higher Education provided for a computer-based circulation system. Information fed to the computer must be accurate, and to that end, all books currently on loan needed to be seen in order to enter absolutely correct information. The book(s) would be given back to the borrower. While there was a longer borrowing time for faculty than for students, both were subject to the recall procedure after two weeks; both had right of renewal. Every effort would be made to contact faculty, but after a fourth notice, it would be assumed that the book was lost and the matter would be handled by the Business Office of the University, according to regular established procedures for the collection of money. The library wanted either the book or money to purchase another copy. Until the bill was paid or the book returned, both students and faculty would be prohibited from borrowing books.

In response to a question by Mr. Madore, Mr. Moonan reported that there were 7,000 overdue books. Mr. Christensen said that in checking the printout of the first 250 names, the number of books checked out by a single faculty member ran from 1-149. One faculty member had 760 overdue books. There were 229 books overdue from as far back as 1973. There were currently 500 names on the overdue list. Mr. Tuttle wondered whether the process allowed for computer error. He asked if the committee had considered the use of grievance procedures since the non-return of books needed by someone else might be a matter of professional ethics. Mr. Kraus promised to consider this suggestion. In response to a question by Mr. Schmaltz, Mr. Kraus said it would be his responsibility to decide on when a bill should be sent. Mr. Brickell asked if the public awareness of the fact that this matter was being discussed had made a difference in the return of books and was informed that it had not. Mr. Madore asked if a poll could be taken tonight to get a "sense of the Senate's feelings." Mr. Kohn complimented Mr. Kraus for coming to the Senate and asking for support before the policy was implemented. He wondered why a person needing a book could not be told who the present borrower was. Mr. Kraus responded that (1) the loan record was private in accordance with a consistent library policy complying with legal restrictions and (2) as a practical matter, private dealings did not change the identity of the borrower as far as the Library was concerned, and very much complicated procedures. Mr. Schmaltz felt he needed to know whether the grievance procedure would be considered before he could vote on the matter. In response to a question by Mr. Barton, Mr. Kraus said that the \$15.00 replacement cost was under the actual average cost of a book (\$17.50) and the library would reserve the right to increase or decrease that amount. Asked how long the grievance process would take, Mr. Cohen said five weeks would be his best guess. Mr. Watkins asked if a corresponding process was used for students and was informed that SCERB was not used because denying registration was an effective means of forcing students to comply. Ms. Varner wondered if the present list of offenders could be dealt with first before beginning the new procedures. Mr. Moonan stated that withholding library loan privileges should have an effect on the return of books. Mr. Friedberg felt the ethics and grievance process was too long and suggested perhaps a parallel procedure as this matter was not as complicated as other ethics and grievance items. Mr. Cohen pointed to the difficulty in creating a new committee structure for overdue books. Mr. Tuttle reported that use of the grievance process had been suggested by a current member of the Faculty Ethics and Grievance Committee who felt that a person who held that many books was behaving unprofessionally. Mr. Watkins reminded the group that if the services of the University attorney

were to be used, it was imperative that internal procedures must have occurred first. Ms. Newby suggested that offenders be reported to departments for DFSC consideration. Mr. Shulman and Mr. Madore called for a "sense of the Senate" vote. The chair reminded the Senate that this would be a non-binding and unofficial straw vote. By voice vote, the Senate supported the policy suggested by the library without dissension with four Senators abstaining.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Affairs Committee

According to Mr. Schmaltz, the committee will be meeting on October 8 in Felmlay Hall 206 at 7:00 p.m. The agenda will include discussion of three items: student input on teaching effectiveness; pass/fail option change; and proposal for increasing grade point average minimum for good academic standing.

Administrative Affairs Committee

Mr. Tuttle reported that the committee was establishing policy guidelines for a multi-year academic calendar and would be seeking input from many different groups on campus. The committee will next meet on November 11 at 4:00 p.m. in Hovey 308.

Executive Committee

Mr. Barton announced that the committee would be meeting next on October 8 at 8:15 a.m. in Hovey 308.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Mr. Woodson reported that the committee was currently planning a retreat in the near future to discuss appeals procedures.

Rules Committee

Mr. Young reported that the committee was currently working on the Bylaws and election procedures for the Panel of 10, Ethics & Grievance and Academic Freedom Committees. He reported that the names of Jerry Lamparski and Steve Schlueter would be forwarded to the Office of the Vice President for Administrative Services as student appointments to the Parking and Traffic Committee.

Student Affairs

Ms. Rosebery announced that the committee would meet next on October 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the Prairie Room of the Union.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Friedberg said he understood that the Provost was in the process of developing guidelines on the status of temporary faculty and wondered if there would be open hearings and if the Senate would be involved. Mr. Cohen said that the Senate would be involved if there was a change in the category of faculty.

Adjournment

On a motion by Barton/Sam, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

For the Academic Senate,

Walter Kohn, Secretary

NAME	ATTEN-DANCE	VOTE							VOICE VOTE		
		Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion #	Motion No.	Y	N
Anderson	P								12	X	
Balbach	P								13	X	
Barton	P								14	X	
Boothe	excused										
Bowen	A										
Brickell	P										
Brown	P										
Cohen	P										
Crafts	excused										
Fernandes	P										
Friedberg	P										
Friedhoff	P										
Gamsky	P										
Goodin	P										
Gowen	P										
Grever	P										
Hemenway	P										
Henriksen	P										
Hicklin	P										
Hirt	excused										
Holmes	A										
Koerselman	P										
Kohn	P										
Lab	A										
Madore	P										
Miller	P										
Nelson	P										
Newby	P										
Polan	P										
Ritch	P										
Rosebery	P										
Sam	P										
Schmaltz	P										
Schoenbein	P										
Schwalm	P										
Shulman	P										
Sloter	P										
Spoor	P										
Strand	P										
Tuttle	P										
Varner	P										
Watkins	P										
Weller	P										
Wieczorek	P										
Wolak	P										
Woodson	P										
Young	P										
aker	P										
Metcalf	P*										
Murphy	P*										

*Seated during the meeting.

Submitted by the Faculty Affairs Committee as a part of the September 17, 1980, Report to the Academic Senate; to be considered, therefore, as an item of information.

USE OF LIBRARY MATERIALS BY THE FACULTY

The University Library Committee and the Library faculty have expressed concern about the large number of overdue books held by both students and faculty. They have indicated that students who fail to return books can be denied re-registration or denied a transcript after graduation until the books are returned or paid for; for faculty there are no parallel procedures to require faculty to return books.

Currently, Library records show there are about 7,000 books overdue to faculty members. These are on loan for one semester, with the understanding that the Library may recall any book requested by another reader, but no sooner than two weeks after the initial loan. Studies carried out by Library personnel (W. Moonan) in 1978 and 1979 indicate that only about one-third (1/3) of a sample of faculty borrowers returned books requested within a week. If the Library is unable to deliver a book within a reasonable time, a student or a faculty member may not have a chance to use the book at the time when it is most useful to his studies. The Library needs an effective method to require faculty members to return books promptly when requested to do so.

There is a second reason for bringing this matter to the Academic Senate at this time. The Library is converting its manual circulation records to an online system. In order to make this record as accurate as possible, the Library needs to verify the accuracy of its record of books on loan to faculty members and to enter the social security number of each borrower. Return of green slips or telephone calls will not suffice because information needed must be totally accurate for computer records. During the months of October and November, members of the Faculty are asked to bring all books charged to them to the Library where the record will be verified. The books which a faculty member needs to retain will be charged to him again on the new online system.

The establishment of the online circulation system will occur in mid to late October. At that time and thereafter, the Library's procedure for securing the return of Library books from members of the faculty will be the following:

1. Notices of overdue books will be prepared by the Computer Center of the System and mailed to the faculty members by the ISU Library. Three notices will be sent at intervals during the first three weeks of the overdue period.
2. A fourth notice will be a Lost Book Billing which will be prepared by the System Computer Center and sent to the ISU Library. The Library will make a further attempt to deal with the borrower and then, as a final resort, will send the Billing to the ISU Business Office for collection. The Business Office will follow standard procedures in collecting for the lost book(s).
3. No further loans will be made to a faculty member until the book is returned or the bill paid.

The Faculty Affairs Committee recommends that the Academic Senate affirm its support of the Library's policy for securing the prompt return of books.